NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCILS AND CIVIC ASSOCIATION

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e-mail: info@atwaterpark.org    Steve Haddad  Web: www.atwaterpark.org

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Office: 733-9411 Catharine Mossi hungryhillseniorcenter@gmail.com

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Sixteen Acres Civic Assoc., 1187 1/2 Parker St., Spfld., MA 01129
Office: 787-7716 contactus@16acres.org  www.16acres.org

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Office: 731-6590   upperhill@yahoo.com Adrienne Osborne

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THE GOOD NEIGHBOR HANDBOOK

Springfield Community Policing Partnership

A Guide to Quality of Life Regulations in Springfield
This Good Neighbor Handbook outlines ordinances and other laws dealing with the quality of life issues in the City of Springfield. It should be an invaluable tool to police, neighborhood groups, business associations, and concerned citizens.

Ordinances have been summarized for complete General Ordinance or Zoning Ordinance citations Visit www.springfieldcityhall.com

The agency charged with enforcement of each ordinance has also been listed.

SPRINGFIELD MASSACHUSETTES POLICE:
MISSION STATEMENT

TO PROVIDE PUBLIC SAFETY AND TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD BY PROTECTING, SERVING, AND WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY TO DEVELOP PHILOSOPHIES WHICH PROMOTE EQUITY AND ESTABLISH PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN CITIZENS AND POLICE TO ENHANCE LAW ENFORCEMENT, AID IN THE PREVENTION OF CRIME, AND PRESERVE THE PUBLIC PEACE.

Together we can make our city a better place to live and work.

Refrigerators and Stoves (7.16.120)
No refrigerator or stove should be stored or discarded outside. Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 787-6030 Ticket: $50

Commercial Vehicles (ZO III: 301; 7f)
Commercial vehicles over one and a half tons cannot be kept on residentially-zoned land. Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 787-6031 Ticket: $50, $100 per day court fine Commercial vehicles exceeding 12,000 lbs. or 24 ft. (excluding recreational vehicles) may not park on city streets for more than one hour. Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 787-6030 Ticket: $50

Unattached trailers cannot be parked on city streets Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 787-6030 Ticket: $50

Significant Trees 368
No tree which is 75 years old and over or which is three feet in diameter and over can be trimmed or cut without written approval of the City Forester. Enforcement: Police Department 787-6302 Ticket: $50 Information: Parks Department 311

Conservation Land
City owned parcels under the stewardship of the Conservation Commission are protected to preserve our natural resources and open spaces. Only passive recreation is allowed: hiking, fishing, cross country skiing, picnicking, wildlife observation, and nature study, etc. Not allowed: motorized vehicles including: snowmobiles, dirt-bikes, and other types of all-terrain vehicles; fires; tree cutting; hunting; trapping; harassing wildlife; removing or damaging plant life; and drinking of alcoholic beverages. Information: Conservation Commission 787-6234

Dumping (Massachusetts General Law) MGL 270-16
It is illegal to “dump” on any public or private property. If a vehicle is used, it may be seized. If convicted, the operator may have his/her license suspended. To enforce, file a criminal complaint. Enforcement: Police Department 787-6302 First Offense: $5,500 Subsequent Offenses: $15,000

December 2017
Land Maintenance

Front Yards (ZO III–ZO IV)
Seventy-five percent of front yards in Residence A-1, A, and B zones and fifty percent of front yards in Residence C zones shall be planted with grass or landscaped and shall not be parked upon.
Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 787-6031
Ticket: $50, $100 per day court fine

Swimming Pools (ZO XV; 1514)
In-ground swimming pools shall be enclosed by a fence at least four feet high. Above-ground swimming pools shall be enclosed by a fence at least four feet high or shall have a ladder which is removed when the pool is not in use.
Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 787-6031
Ticket: $50, $100 per day court fine

Fences (ZO XV; 1506)
Fences in residential zones cannot be higher than 6ft.
Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 787-6031
Ticket: $50, $100 per day court fine
Front yard fences in residential zones cannot by higher than three feet if they are more than twenty-five percent solid.
Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 787-6031
Ticket: $50, $100 per day court fine
For corner lots in residential zones, no planting or fencing higher than two and one-half feet shall be maintained along either property line within twenty-five feet of the intersection so as to cause a visual obstruction.
Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 787-6031
Ticket: $50, $100 per day court fine

Signs (ZO XVIII; 1803)
Signs for professional and home occupation in residential zones shall not exceed one square foot.
Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 787-6031
Ticket: $50, $100 per day court fine
Signs may not be placed in the public way without a permit from Code Enforcement

Overgrowth (7.16.120 V)
Property must be kept free of grass, grass clippings, weeds, leaves, branches, or yard waste more than six inches high.
Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 311

Community Action

Captain David Martin DMartin@Springfieldpolice.net
Traffic Unit 787-6333

ORDINANCE  Flex Squad Hotline 3-1-1
Sgt. John Delaney 413 896-1340
JDelaney@Springfieldpolice.net
Sector A North End Officer Israel Reyes 351-6084
Sector B Liberty Heights Officer Daniel Murdock 636-4277
Sector C East Springfield Officer L. Martin 636-0032
Sector D Indian Orchard Officer James Collins 636-0036
Sector E South End, Maple High–Six Corners, Downtown and Worthington Area Officer Steve Tyburski 636-4073
Sector F Old Hill, Upper Hill, Bay and McKnight Officer Rudy Espinosa 636-2971
Sector G Pine Point and Boston Rd. Officer Keith Fleming 351-6085
Sector H Forest Park and East Forest Park Officer Michael Dyer 333-8992
Sector I Outer Belt and Sixteen Acres Officer Rafael Vega 351-6083

Magda Colon Community Police Liaison 787-6359
mcolon@springfieldpolice.net
Street Crimes Scott Richard Srichard@springfieldpolice.net

Text a tip: Text SOLVE plus message (include city) to: CRIMES (274637) Press Send

Always use 9-1-1 in an emergency. For all non-emergency police calls where you want a police car to respond you should call 787-6302.
3-1-1 or 413 736 3111 can be used for routine city service calls, complaints, and questions that do not need a response that day.

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Springfield Police Department
Directory

Emergency  9-1-1
Non-Emergency  787-6302
Alternate Emergency  827-9301

Non-emergency Report line 750-2525  Leave a detail message

Major Crimes  Detective, etc.  General Number  787-6355
Burglaries, Assaults, Fraud, Auto Theft, Larcenies, Robbery, and
Homicide.  Captain  Trent Duda  787-6380
tduda2@springfieldpolice.net

Major Crimes  Youth (Juvenile)  General Number  787-6381
Student Support Unit, Juvenile Booking, Missing Persons/Runaways,
Crimes committed by juveniles under 18 years of age
Lt. Bobianski  787-2251
Sgt. Kervick  787-6368
*Juvenile Unit is located at 39 Mulberry St.

Major Crimes  Special Victims  General Number  787-6355
Domestic Violence Unit, Elder Abuse, Sexual Assaults,
Sex Offenders  787-6832  Lt Akers  787-6352

Domestic Violence Prevention Coordinator
Milda Vargas  735-1519

Strategic Impact  Narcotics/Vice  General Number  787-6393
Narcotics, Gang Task Force, Street Crime Unit, Prostitution, Liquor
Violations, Illegal Vendors
Narcotics Tip Line  734-2222  Gang Hotline  787-7027
Captain Brian Keenan  bkeenan@springfieldpolice.net

Sectors H and I
Deputy Cheryl Clapprood,  Cclapprood@springfieldpolice.net
886-5215

Sectors A, B, C, D, and G
Deputy Mark Anthony,  MAnthony@springfieldpolice.net
750-2388

Sectors E and F
Deputy William Cochrane, WCochrane@springfieldpolice.net
787-6340

Squad Commanders  787-6325  In charge of the shift
4 p.m. to midnight
8 a.m. To 4 p.m.
midnight to 8 a.m.

Home Offices  (ZO III; 307: 7)  (ZO III; 307.12)
An office is allowed in a residential zone in a person’s permanent
home only if the operator resides in the dwelling and can only be assisted at that location by other resident family mem-
ers. All on-site business must be conducted exclusively by
phone, mail, or computer. The operator cannot receive customers
at home. No commercial vehicles associated with the business
are permitted on or near the property; for vehicles used by the
operator for the business, the vehicle shall be free of advertising
accessories.
Enforcement: Code Enforcement/ Police Department
787-6031  Ticket:  $50

False Alarm Regulations  100-20
Security alarm systems must be registered (100)-with the City
Police Department. Three or more false alarms in a calendar
year shall result in a ticket.  Ticket; $25(3rd), $25(4th), $100
(5th), $200(6th) and subsequent.

Litter in Common Areas  327-13.M
Halls, cellars, garages, sheds, porches, and other common areas
of multi-family residences must be kept free of litter.
Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 311
Ticket: $100(1st), $200(2nd), $300(3rd)

Litter on Private and Public Property  327-13.M
It is illegal to throw litter on occupied or vacant private or public
property.  Owner must maintain property free from litter at all
times.
Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 787-6030
Ticket: $100(1st), $200(2nd), $300(3rd)

Springfield Office of Housing and Neighborhood Services
787-6500

Register

to get emergencies and other important community news

https://member.everbridge.net/index/892807736725465#/login

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Graffiti 201-13
Graffiti is a public nuisance. Therefore, every effort must be made to remove graffiti as quickly as possible whenever and wherever it occurs. It is unlawful for any person who is the owner, or who has primary responsibility for control of property, to permit property that is defaced with graffiti to remain defaced for 10 days after service by first class mail of notice of defacement.
Enforcement: Code Enforcement 311
It is unlawful for any person to apply graffiti. To report graffiti application in progress, call 9-1-1.
Non-criminal disposition $300 Ticket
Criminal MGL S71 C 266 126 B

Emergency Notification (State Sanitary Code 410.481)
All non-owner occupied housing units shall have visibly posted, the telephone number of its owner or agent for twenty-four hour emergency notification.
Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 311 Ticket: $50

Smoke Detectors 178-14
All buildings containing three or more dwelling units shall be equipped with approved smoke detectors.
Enforcement: Fire Department 787-6410

Numbers on Buildings 143-5
Street numbers, as assigned by the DPW, must be placed on buildings and maintained by their owners.
Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 311 Ticket: $50

Lodgers (ZO III; 301; 7a)
Up to three lodgers can be rented rooms in a dwelling. More than three lodgers requires a lodging house permit from the City Council and can be issued only in Residence C and various non-residential zones.
Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 311 $100 per day court fine

Home Occupations (ZO III; 307.13)
The only occupations/professional offices allowed in residential zones are architect, artist, dentist, doctor, electrologist, hairdresser, lawyer, manicurist, musician, practitioner of acupuncture and teacher provided that the office or room is located in a dwelling in which there shall be no outside employees who are not members of the household. An architect, dentist, doctor, lawyer, and acupuncture practitioner are allowed no more than 1 employee who is not a member of the household.

Springfield Police Department, Community and Mass State Police C3 or Counter Criminal Continuum Policing
The Police Department and Massachusetts State Police C-3 teams facilitate unity of effort and criminal intelligence gathering by, with, and through interagency, community, and private enterprise cooperation in order to detect, disrupt, degrade and dismantle criminal activity.
Meetings are held weekly for identified intervention areas. Contact Sargent or Community Liaison for information

Springfield C3 Units
Sgt. J Toledo C-3 North End 413 426-3095 JToledo@Springfieldpolice.net
Sgt. B. Beliveau C-3 Metro 413 478-6927 BBeliveau@Springfieldpolice.net
Sgt. Devon William C-3 Mason Square 413 654-7288 DWilliams@Springfieldpolice.net
Sgt. Ariel Toledo C-3 Forest Park 413 478-7490 Atoledo@Springfieldpolice.net

Visit www.crimereports.com
For current crime information

Report street lights that are not working: Call 1 800 286-2000 e-mail www.eversource.com. Be very specific with location.
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| No one can cut or trim trees on tree belts or public property without a permit from the Park Commission |
| Enforcement: Park Department, 311 | Ticket: $50 |

| Gates or Doors | 338-53 |
| No gate or door should swing into a public sidewalk or street. |
| Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6352 | Ticket: $50 |

| Playing in Streets | 338-55 |
| No one should play in a street so as to interfere with its use by others. |
| Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6352 | Ticket: $50 |

| Signs on Sidewalk or Tree Belt | 338-57 |
| No advertising or directional sign shall be placed on a public sidewalk or tree belt without a license from the DPW and without posting a bond approved by the Mayor. |
| Enforcement: Police Department, 311 | Ticket: $50 |

| Handbills and Signs | 118-9 |
| It is illegal to paint or post a handbill or sign on public property, public trees, or public fixtures such as light posts, street signs, and traffic signs. The person responsible for the posting is liable for the costs of removal. Excepted are temporary signs which the DPW permitted. |
| Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6352 | Ticket: $50 |

| General Prohibition Against Obstructions | 338-33 |
| No person shall place or cause to be placed in any public street, or on any sidewalk, foot-walk or crosswalk in the city, any article or thing whatsoever, so as to interfere with the convenient use of same by any person traveling thereon. (This includes Basketball Hoops) Obstruction may be removed by enforcing agency. |
| Enforcement: DPW and Police Department, 311 | Ticket: $50 |

| Littering | 401-1 |
| It is illegal to throw litter on streets, sidewalks, and public property. |
| Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302 | Ticket: $300 |

| Door to Door Sales | 279-VII |
| No person shall engage in the activity of door-to-door sales unless they have a license from the Police Department. The Police Commissioner can grant 1 license to a person of good repute for a fee of $25. Persons under 18 and who reside in the city do not have to pay the fee but they do need a permit. |
| Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302 | Ticket: $50 |
Permit Parking 385-39
No one may park a motor vehicle on a restricted parking street without a parking permit or a visitor pass. Currently, only Mattoon Street is so designated.
Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302 $50 Ticket

STREETS, SIDEWALKS, & PUBLIC PLACES

Motorized Scooters 311-6
Motorized scooter are prohibited on any city owned or controlled property. Can only be permitted on private property with express written permission of owner. The operator shall at least 16 or with a valid learner’s permit or driver’s license, with braking system, with rider wearing a helmet, and riding responsibly. The City Ordinance defines a “motorized scooter” as any two-wheeled device, including but not limited to, the so-called mini-bikes, mini choppers, gas scooters, or electric scooters, that have handlebars, are designed to be stood upon or seated upon, and powered by a gas or electric motor that is capable of propelling the device with or without human propulsion, but is not defined as a motor vehicle under the laws of Massachusetts.
Ticket: $100(1st), $200(2nd), $300(3rd)
The police officer has the right to impound the motorized scooter.

Maintenance of Sidewalks, Catch Basins, Gutters 327-13
Persons owning or occupying property shall keep the abutting sidewalk, tree belt, catch basin, and three feet of street closest to the curb free of litter. Litter collected shall be placed in proper receptacles for collection as normal household rubbish. Litter must not be swept into the street.
Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department, 311 Ticket:$100

Snow and Ice Removal 322
Occupants of single-family homes and owners of other types of property must remove snow from abutting public sidewalks, fire hydrants, and handicapped curb cuts within twenty-four hours after a storm ends. Ice must be removed or sanded within twenty-four hours of being formed. Snow and ice must not be thrown into any street which has already been cleared.
Enforcement: Police and Fire Department, 787-6302 Ticket:$50

Maintenance of Tree Belts 338-21
Occupants of single-family homes and owners of other types of property must keep the tree belt free from litter, debris, brush, ragweed, or other noxious weed.
Enforcement: Code Enforcement Department 311 Ticket: $50
Criminal complaint – up to $300 per day court fine

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BUSINESS LICENSES AND REGULATIONS

**Hawkers and Peddlers**

Going from place to place selling fruit, vegetables, or fish requires a license from the Police Clerks Office.

**Enforcement:** Police Department, 787-6310  
**Ticket:** $50

**Charitable Solicitations**

Public solicitation for charitable purposes requires a license from the City Clerk. 787-6094.

Exempt are religious groups, schools, colleges, and political parties.

**Enforcement:** Police Department, 787-6352  
**Ticket:** $50

**Transient Vendors**

Sale of goods by a temporary or transient business requires a local transient vendor’s license from the City Clerk (787-6094) as well as any necessary state licenses.

**Enforcement:** Police Department, 787-6352  
**Ticket:** $100

**Handbills**

Handbills must not be place on trees, fences, unoccupied vehicles, or buildings.

**Enforcement:** Police Department, 787-6352  
**Ticket:** $50

**Tag Sales**

Tag sales require a permit from the City Clerk. 787-6094.

No one can hold more than four tag sales per year.

**Enforcement:** Police Department, 787-6302  
**Ticket:** $50

**Sales in Streets**

No one should sell any items on any street or to anyone on a sidewalk without a permit from the Chief of Police.

**Enforcement:** Police Department, 787-6302  
**Ticket:** $50

**Taxi**

390-25 Horn use is prohibited for the purpose of announcing presence and/or to call upon a fare.

**Ticket:** $25

390-27.1/390-27.2 Smoking is not allowed in a taxi cab at any time, with or without a fare present. Ticket: $25(1st) - $50(2nd)

Transporting unaccompanied passengers under the age of 16 is prohibited.

**Enforcement:** Police Department, 787-6352 and the Springfield Taxi and Livery Commission at 886-5300

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**MOTOR VEHICLES**

**Abandoned Motor Vehicle in the Street**

A motor vehicle may be removed from any street seventy-two hours after a police officer deems it to have been abandoned.

**Enforcement:** Police Department, 787-6302  
**Ticket:** $200(1st), $300(2nd)

**Unregistered Motor Vehicles on Lots**

Unregistered motor vehicles, or substantial parts of such, must not remain on a property more than twelve days.

**Enforcement:** Code Enforcement Department, 311  
**Ticket:** $50

**Parking Motor Vehicle on Lawn or Landscape Area**

No Motor Vehicle shall be parked on the front lawn out side the drive way.

**Enforcement:** Police Department  
**Ticket:** $50

**Crossing Property to Avoid Traffic Signals**

No motor vehicle shall cross public or private property within 200 feet of an intersection with a traffic signal or stop sign.

**Enforcement:** Police Department, 787-6302  
**Ticket:** $50

**Motor Vehicle Repairs on Sidewalks or Streets**

No one should repair a motor vehicle—except for emergency repairs such as a flat tire—on any public sidewalk, street, tree belt, terrace, or public space.

**Enforcement:** Police Department, 787-6302  
**Ticket:** $50

**Vehicles Crossing Curbs**

No motor vehicle may cross a curb unless permitted by the Public Works Director.

**Enforcement:** Police Department, 787-6302  
**Ticket:** $50

**Sales from Motor Vehicles**

When stopped on public streets to sell frozen desserts and soft drinks, motor vehicles shall use front and rear amber blinker lights visible for 500 feet.

**Enforcement:** Police Department, 787-6302  
**Ticket:** $50

**Emergency Parking Bans**

During snowstorms, the City can declare parking bans on public streets. **During bans, there is no parking on even side of streets from 7pm to 7am and on odd side from 9am to 4pm.**

Cars can be ticketed and towed if improperly parked.

**Enforcement:** Police Department, 787-6302  
**Ticket:** $50
Community & Police Management Teams

Each Police Sector has a Community and Police Management/Advisory Team, composed of residents, community stakeholders and officers. The teams meet monthly to collaborate and discuss crime information, gather community input, identify and solve problems and to strengthen community partnerships. Specific neighborhood crime and disorder problems can be brought to the team.

You are invited to attend.

Community & Police Management Team Meetings

- **Sector A**
  - 2nd Thursday of Month at 6:00 p.m. Brightwood Library
- **Sector B**
  - 3rd Thursday of Month at Hungry Hill Senior Center 773 Liberty Street (old library) Carew St. 6 p.m.
- **Sector C**
  - 3rd Tuesday of Month at ESNCE Building 1437 Carew St. 6:30 p.m. (Behind Pottenger School)
- **Sector D**
  - 3rd Wednesday at 6:00 117 Main Street, at the Indian Orchard Citizen’s Council.
- **Sector E**
  - 1st Thursday of Month at 6 p.m. Emmerson Hall at the Mason Wright Retirement Community 439 Union Street.
- **Sector F**
  - 3rd Thursday of Month at Mason Square Library, 5:30 p.m.
- **Sector G**
  - 4th Tuesday at Pine Point Library, 204 Boston Rd. at 7 p.m.
- **Sector H**
  - 1st Wednesday of Month usually at Sinai Temple, 1100 Dickinson St., enter rear. 6 p.m.
- **Sector I**
  - Rotates between 1st Tuesday in Feb., April, June, August, Oct. and Dec. at Christian Life Center Sumner Ave Ext. at 6:15 p.m. and 3rd Tuesday of January, March, May, July, Sept. Nov. at Greenleaf Community Center at 6 p.m. On Parker Street. (behind the Library)

For Information about your Sector Meeting call the Deputy Chief or Lt. for your Sector or Magda Colon 787-6359.
MColon@springfieldpolice.net

Visit the Springfield Police Department website at: www.springfield-ma.gov/police or contact your Neighborhood Council or Civic Association.

ANIMALS

Keeping Domestic Animals **110-5 110-2, 110-3 and 110-4**

Only domestic animals can be kept as pets. All dogs and cats over six months of age must be vaccinated against rabies and must get and wear a dog license from the City Clerk.

Four dogs or cats are allowed in a household providing ALL are spayed/neutered. If more than three animals and ANY remain reproductively whole, a kennel license is required. Ticket: $50 - $150
City Clerk 787-6094 Animal Control 781-1484

Dogs can be impounded

Enforcement: Housing Code Enforcement, 311, Animal Control

Restraining Dogs / Cats **110-5**

A dog outside fenced areas or pens must be restrained with a leash not more than six feet long. Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302 Animal Control 781-1484 Ticket: $50(1st), $100(2nd), $200(3rd), $300(4th) and subsequent.

Additional $100 ticket for reproductively intact animals at large.

Nuisance Animals, Potentially Vicious Animals **110-6 110-5**

Unrestrained dogs and nuisance animals may be impounded until their owners claim them and pay the required fees. Nuisances include molesting pedestrians or vehicles, attacking other animals, being on school grounds, damaging property, or disturbing the peace by barking or whining which can be clearly heard at a distance of 100 ft. or for 10 minutes or more. Enforcement: Animal Control, 787-1484 Ticket: $50(1st), $100(2nd), $300(3rd)

Vicious or Nuisance Dogs **110-10**

A vicious dog is one that when unprovoked: inflicts a bite or injury on a human or domestic animal; chases or approaches a person upon any public way in an apparent attitude of attack; or has a known propensity, tendency, or disposition to attack. To consider declaring a dog vicious or a nuisance, a hearing before a special hearing committee shall be held. Request a hearing in writing to the Police Department or Animal control 787-1484

Removing Dog Wastes **110-11**

Dog owners or handlers must immediately remove any feces deposited by the dog(s) outside of the owner’s property. Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302 Animal Control 781-1484 Ticket: $50(1st), $100(2nd), $300(3rd) and subsequent

Humane Care **110-8**

No dog shall be chained or tethered to a stationary object for longer than twelve hours. Access to clean water, wholesome food and shelter to appropriately protect from weather is required. No dog shall be kept outdoors in severe weather or when a weather advisory has been issued. Enforcement: Animal Control 781-1484 Ticket: $50(1st), $100(2nd), $300(3rd)
For all municipal collection services listed below, items should be placed at curbside no earlier than sunset of the day prior to collection but no later than 6:30 am of the collection day. Containers and uncollected wastes must be removed from curbside no later than midnight of the collection day.

Enforcement: Housing Code Enforcement, 311
Information: Department of Public Works, 311  Ticket: $50

**Trash Pickup Violation 327-7**
Rubbish must be placed in automated collection containers. Leaves or yard waste must be recycled. Ticket: $50

**Recycling Collection Violation 327-25**
Rinse and placed in approved recycling receptacles: aluminum foil and tray; unbroken glass bottles and jars; tin cans and lids; uncapped plastic bottles coded 1 through 7; plastic tubs, cups, jars; and flattened milk and juice containers. Clean newspapers, magazines, catalogues, brown paper bags, white paper, computer paper, telephone books, junk mail, paperback books, and flattened corrugated cardboard must be bound or placed in paper bags. Report call 311. Ticket: $50

**Leaves and Yard Waste Collection 327-4.C**
Place leaves, grass, hedge clippings, garden wastes, and small twigs loosely in barrels or in approved paper leaf bags (no plastic bags). Other trash must not be mixed in. Yard waste collections occur on your recycling day from 2nd week in April through 2nd week in December. Call DPW or 311 for exact pick up date. Ticket: $50

**City Bulk Collection 327-6.A**
The city collects large items from residents such as furniture and appliances. Doors must be removed from refrigerators prior to being placed at curbside. You must call the DPW at 311 for an appointment. There is a limit of five items per appointment. (Call for an appointment today!) You must affix a sticker(s) that can be purchased at Big Y courtesy booths. **Place items out no earlier than evening before pick up. 311** Ticket: $50
Public Peace and Welfare

Paint Ball Guns and BB Gun 412-3
No person shall project by means of any paint ball gun, BB gun, or any air-powered weapon, any missile or substance whatsoever in or into any street or other public place.
Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302    Ticket: $50

Darts and Knives 412-4 & 412-5
No steel-pointed darts, pointed missiles, steel knives, machetes, or swords with blades longer than seventeen inches shall be sold to anyone under age sixteen.
Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302

Noise 259-12
Prohibited is unreasonably or excessive noise that is plainly audible at a distance of one hundred feet or, in the case of loud amplification devices or other similar equipment, noise plainly audible at a distance of fifty feet from its source by a person of normal hearing.
Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302
Ticket: $100(1st), $200 (2nd), $300(3rd)
After the fourth within 12 months.$300

Alcoholic Beverages 275-2
Open containers of alcohol on any public street or public property are prohibited. Exempt are events and festivals licensed by the License Commission.
Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302    Ticket: $50

Marijuana (MGL C 94C 32L)
It is illegal for a person under 21 to possess Marijuana. Possession of one ounce or less is a civil offense.
Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6320    Ticket: $100
For possession by a person 21 years and over one ounce or less is legal.
See full law. Over an oz. is not legal.

Loitering 240
No one should stand on a street, sidewalk, bridge, or crossing so as to obstruct the way or prevent or hinder anyone from passing.
Enforcement: Police Department, 787-6302    Ticket: $50
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**Sector A** – Brightwood/Memorial Square  
Location: Brightwood Library at 6:00 p.m. 2nd Thursday of the Month  
**Sector B** – Library Heights/Hungry Hill, Atwater  
Location: Hungry Hill Senior Center 773 Liberty Street (old library) at 6:00pm  
3rd Thursday of the Month  
**Sector C** – East Springfield Location: 1437 Carew St. (behind Pottenger School) at 6:30pm 3rd Wednesday of the Month  
**Sector D** – Indian Orchard Location: IOCC 117Main St.at 6:00pm  
3rd Wednesday of the Month  
**Sector E** – South End, Maple High-6 Corners, Downtown Location:439 Union Street Madison Wright/ Emerson Hall at 6:00pm 1st Thursday of Month  
Linda Bartlett  
**Sector F** – McKnight, Bay, Old Hill & Upper Hill Location: Mason Square Library State St. At 5:30pm Contact: TBD 3rd Thursday of month  
**Sector G** – Pine Point/Boston Rd. Location: Independence House 1475 Roosevelt Ave. at 7:00pm contact: Kim Dinoia 783-0525. 4th Tuesday of the Month  
**Sector H** – Forest Park, East Forest Park Location: Usually at Sinai Temple 1100 Dickinson St. at 6:00pm Contact: Paul Samble 734-1459. 1st Wednesday of Month  
**Sector I** – 16 Acres/Outer Belt Location: Feb, Apr, June, Aug, Oct, Dec, @ Christian Life Center Sumner Avenue Extension at 6:15pm on 1st Tuesday. Contact: Walter Gould 785-1708. Jan, Mar, May, July, Sept, Nov @ Clodo Conception Comm. Center Parker Street (behind Library.) at 6:00pm on 3rd Tuesday of the Month Contact: TBD