

## Chapter 9

### Part A: Grass & Weeds

(OR3-1962) (Updated OR3-2020)

(OR2-2022) (Updated 2022)

#### 100.00 Regulates:

100.10 Regulates grass, weeds and other vegetation.

100.20 Requires the removal, trimming or cutting thereof by the owner or occupant of the premise where the same is growing under certain circumstances.

100.30 Removal, trimming or cutting by the Borough at the expense of such owner or occupant in default, and prescribing penalties for violation.

#### 200.00 General:

200.10 No person, firm or corporation, owning or occupying any property within the Borough of Saegertown, shall permit any grass or weeds or any vegetation whatsoever, not edible or planted for some useful or ornamental purpose to grow or remain upon such premises so as to exceed a **height of six (6) inches.**

200.20 No person, firm or corporation shall permit any vegetation to throw off any unpleasant or noxious odor.

200.30 No person shall conceal any filthy deposit of vegetation.

200.40 No person shall allow vegetation to create or produce pollen.

200.50 Any grass, weeds or other vegetation growing upon any premises in the Borough in violation of any of the provisions of this section is hereby declared to be a nuisance and detrimental to health, safety, cleanliness and comfort of the inhabitants of the Borough.

200.60 The provisions of this section shall not apply to the owner or occupant of land used and operated for farm purposes.

- 200.70 Property owners shall be responsible for mowing, trimming and yard repairs on the following:
- 200.71 Rights of ways on their properties, including those for utilities
- 200.72 The area between the edge of the road, street or alley and the property Right-of-way
- 200.73 **MAIN Street: (Added in 2022)**  
The property owners along Main Street shall provide and maintain natural growing grass in the area between the sidewalk and the Street. Uncovered dirt, stone, concrete or blacktop is prohibited without the written permission of Borough Council.
- 200.74 The area between the sidewalk and Main Street shall be mowed and trimmed as provided by section 220.10 of this ordinance.
- 200.75 Flowers, trees and any vegetation other than grass are not permitted in the area between the sidewalk and the street without Borough permission, in writing.
- 200.76 Spraying for weed control is permitted in the regulated area, providing it does not kill the grass.
- 200.77 **Definition: Grass**  
Grass: a very common vegetation consisting of typically short plants with long, narrow leaves, growing wild or cultivated on lawns that covers the surface of the ground, and grown from seeds commercially available as "Grass Seed".
- 200.78 **All regulated areas shall be in full compliance by May 1, 2023.**
- (Following 2 sections added 12-14-2020)*
- 200.80 Any person mowing or trimming grass, weeds or plant material in the Borough shall remove all grass, weeds, plant material and other debris from streets caused by the mowing within one hour of placing it there.
- 200.81 It shall be unlawful to blow, sweep or place grass, weeds or plant material on or into any storm drain in the Borough, while mowing, raking leaves or by any other method.

**300.00 Required Remedy:**

300.10 Owner of any premises, as to vacant premises or premises occupied by the owner, and the occupant thereof, in case of premises occupied other than the owner, shall remove, trim or cut all grass, weeds or other vegetation growing or remaining on such premises in violation of section 200 of this ordinance.

**400.00 Enforcement:**

400.10 The Borough council, or any officer or employee of the Borough may be designated to enforce this ordinance.

400.20 Authorized enforcement is hereby authorized to give notice of violation by personal service or the United States Mail of violations of this ordinance.

400.30 Authorized enforcement shall direct and require such occupant to remove, trim or cut such grass, weeds or vegetation, so as to conform to the requirements of this ordinance.

400.40 Violators have five (5) days after issuance of such order to comply.

400.50 Failure to neglect, fail or refuse to comply with said notice, within the period stated, the Borough may remove, trim, or cut such grass, weeds or vegetation.

400.60 Cost of removing, trimming or cutting of said vegetation may be collected by the Borough from such person, firm or corporation as provided by law, at a rate set by resolution of Council.

**500.00 Penalties:**

500.10 Any person, firm or corporation who or which shall violate or fail, neglect or refuse to comply with any provisions of this ordinance, shall upon conviction thereof pay a Class E fine as set by resolution of Council plus costs of prosecution.

500.20 Each day's violation shall constitute a separate offense and notice to the offender shall not be necessary in order to constitute an offense.

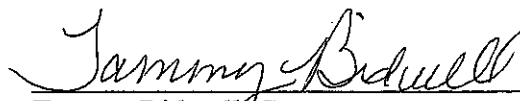
<b>600.00</b>	<b>Enacted:</b>
600.10	Ordained and enacted August 6, 1962
600.20	Updated and Revised 12-14-2020 by OR3-2020)
<b>600.30</b>	<b>Updated and Revised 9-12-2022 (OR2-2022)</b>

**CERTIFICATE**

I, the undersigned, Secretary of the Borough of Saegertown, Crawford County, Pennsylvania ("Borough") certify that: The foregoing is a true and correct copy of an Ordinance of Borough Council of the Borough which duly was enacted by affirmative vote of a majority of the members of Borough Council of the Borough of Saegertown at a meeting duly held on the 12 day of September, 2022; and was examined and approved by the Mayor; such Ordinance has been duly recorded in the Ordinance Book of the Borough; such Ordinance has been duly published as required by law; and such Ordinance remains in effect, unaltered and unamended, as of the date of this Certificate.

I further certify that Borough Council of the Borough of Saegertown met the advance notice and public comment requirements of the Sunshine Act, 65 Pa. C.S. §701 et seq., as amended, by advertising the date of said meeting, by posting prominently a notice of said meeting at the principal office of the Borough of Saegertown or at the public building in which said meeting was held, and by providing a reasonable opportunity for public comment at said meeting prior to enacting such Ordinance.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I set my hand and affix the official seal of the Borough of Saegertown, this 12 day of September, 2022.

  
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Tammy Bidwell, Secretary

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