

CHAPTER 23 - PUBLIC HEALTH, REFUSE

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1. No owner, occupier or tenant, shall permit filth, garbage, refuse, vegetable or animal matter, stagnant, or impure water or other matter or thing offensive or dangerous to the public health to accumulate upon the premises of which he is such owner, occupant or tenant, as the case may be, but shall keep and preserve the premises so occupied or owned by him as aforesaid in a cleanly and wholesome state.
2. All house offal, whether consisting of vegetable or animal substances, shall be placed in suitable vessels, kept in some convenient and retired place, and shall be disposed of from time to time, so that the same shall not become offensive or dangerous to the public health in such manner as a sanitary inspector of the Town shall approve.
3. No person shall throw into or leave in, or upon any street, public enclosure, vacant lot or pond or other body of water within the Town, any dead animal, dirt, sweepings, sawdust, soot, or ashes, cinders, shavings, hair, shred, manure, oysters, clams or lobster shells, waste matter, rubbish or filth of any kind, or any refuse animal or vegetable matter whatever, provided that nothing in this Section contained shall restrict the right of the Town Council to locate any place in the Town where the Town garbage and refuse may be deposited.
4. All dirt, sawdust, soot, ashes, cinders, shavings, hair, shreds, manure, oysters, clams or lobster shells, waste water and all animal or vegetable substances, rubbish or filth of any kind, in any house or warehouse or other building, cellar, yard, unaccepted street, alley or other place which the Board of Health may deem injurious to the health of the Town, shall be removed by the owner or occupant of such house or other buildings, cellar, yard, unacceptable street, alleyway or other place where the same may be found within twenty-four hours or such other time as the Board may deem reasonable after notice in writing to that effect served personally upon the owner or occupant, or upon his authorized agent, by a person competent to serve a notice in civil suit, or left at the owner's or agent's last or usual place of abode if the same be known, or such removal shall be made under the direction of the Board of Health, and the expense thereof borne by the owner or occupant. No person removing any of the substances named in this Section shall suffer it to leak, escape or drop from any vehicle by him owned or driven, into or upon any street, court, square, land or alley within the limits of the Town.
5. No person shall keep any pig sty in front of any street or bordering thereon, nor shall any person keep swine in any place in the Town, near any street, dwelling house, shop or other building whatsoever so as to be a nuisance.
6. All fetid or decaying animal or vegetable matter must be removed from all cellars, buildings, outbuildings and yards, on or before the twentieth day of May in each year.
7. Every householder and every hotel or restaurant keeper or other person shall dispose of all fetid or decaying matter and all garbage for the disposal of which he is responsible, either by burning the same, or in such other manner as a Sanitary Inspector of the Town shall direct or approve.

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8. There shall be no accumulation of offal, dcaying animal or vegetable matter, or filth or refuse of any kind whatever in, or about any shop or other place in the Town of Middleton where meat for food is sold, either by way of wholesale or retail, but all such shops and yards and premises connected therewith shall at all times be kept clean by the owners or occupiers thereof.

STABLES

9. All sheds, stables, yards and other enclosures where horses, cows, pigs, or other animals are kept, housed, or penned, shall be properly constructed and shall be kept drained and cleaned to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector to whom such sheds, stables, pens, yards, or other enclosures shall at any hour during the daytime be open for inspection.

10. Manure, refuse, animal bedding or other offensive substance shall not be allowed to accumulate in or around sheds, stables, pens, yards, or other enclosures where animals are or have been kept, housed, or penned, but the same shall be removed when and as often as the Sanitary Inspector of the Town shall direct.

11. Such sheds, stables, yards, pens, or other enclosures as are mentioned in the next two preceding Sections shall from time to time be disinfected in such manner as the Sanitary Inspector shall direct, and to his satisfaction.

12. No owner, tenant or occupant of any house, factory, tannery, store, shop, stable, or other building, place or premises whatsoever in the Town shall permit sink water or liquid filth or matter of any kind, offensive, dangerous to the public health to run or escape from the house, factory, tannery, store, shop, stable, or other building of which he is such owner, tenant, or occupant as aforesaid into, upon or over any public street, lane, or thoroughfare of, or in the Town, nor into the ditches, drains, or sewers of any such public street, lane, or thoroughfare, without the permission of the Board, given in writing, signed by the Chairman of such Board, which writing shall define clearly the privileges accorded.

13. No owner, tenant or occupant of any house, factory, tannery, store, shop, stable, or other building, place or premises whatsoever in the Town, shall permit sink water, waste water or liquid filth or matter of any kind offensive or dangerous to health to run or escape from the house, factory, tannery, store, shop, stable, or other building, place or premises of which he is such owner, tenant or occupant as aforesaid on, to, over or upon any place or premises in the Town and adjoining on, in the vicinity of the building, place or premises so owned, or occupied by him as tenant or otherwise.

14. No owner, tenant or occupant of any house, factory, tannery, store, shop, stable, or other building, place or premises whatsoever in the Town and no owner of any vacant land or premises in the Town, shall permit any sink water, waste water, liquid filth, or matter of any kind offensive, or dangerous to the public health, to accumulate or to remain upon any portion of the premises of which he is such owner, tenant, or occupant as aforesaid, without the permission of the Board of Health in writing.

Stables Cont'd.

15. Every vault or privy within the Town shall be emptied and cleaned in the Spring in each year, and before the twentieth day of May in each year, and at such other time or times as the Board of Health may order, provided that every such vault and privy shall be emptied and cleaned at least twice every year.
16. Every cesspool shall be emptied, cleaned and disinfected whenever the Board of Health may order.
17. Every vault and privy during the period between the twentieth day of May and the first day of November in each year shall be kept disinfected by adding to the contents thereof at least once a month and at such other times as the Board may direct, not less than two pounds of sulphate of iron dissolved in sufficient water, or by adding thereto such other suitable disinfectant as the Board may order.
18. No vault or cesspool shall be opened between the twentieth day of May and the first day of November without special permit from one of the Sanitary Inspectors of the Town.
19. No night soil or contents of any cesspool, vault or privy shall be removed unless immediately previous thereto the same shall have been thoroughly disinfected in the manner required by Section 17 of this Chapter.
20. No person shall, unless in the cleaning of a privy or vault on premises occupied by him, cleanse or remove night soil without first having obtained a license from the Board of Health so to do.

SLAUGHTER HOUSES

21. No person or body corporate shall erect, use or employ any slaughter house or other place or premises within the Town of Middleton for the purpose of killing therein, whether for private use or in the way of trade, beeves, calves, sheep, swine, or other animals whatever, without first having obtained a license from the Board of Health of the Town to do so.
22. No person shall either on his own behalf, or as the servant or agent of any other person, or of any body corporate, kill or slaughter whether for private use or in the way of trade, any beeves, calves, sheep, swine, or other animals whatsoever within the Town, without having obtained a license from the Board of Health to do so.
23. No beeves, calves, sheep, swine, or other animals shall be killed or slaughtered in the Town, except in some slaughter house or other place or premises specially licensed by the Board of Health for such purposes.
24. The Sanitary Inspectors or either of them or any person specially authorized by the Board of Health, shall be at liberty at all reasonable times to enter any slaughter house or other place or premises where animals are slaughtered and in, and upon the premises connected therewith, for the purpose of inspecting the same of any animal or meat therein.
25. There shall be no accumulation of manure, blood, offal or other waste animal remains or filth of any kind whatever in or about any slaughter houses, or yards or other places connected therewith, within the Town, but all such slaughter houses, yards, and other places shall be at all times kept clean.

Slaughter Hourses (continued)

26. Any person who violates any of the by-laws in this Chapter shall, unless a penalty is otherwise specially provided under Chapter 157 Revised Statutes of Nova Scotia for 1923 and the amending Acts thereto, be liable for every such violation to a fine not exceeding forty dollars.