

Chapter 123

BRUSH, GRASS AND WEEDS

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[HISTORY: Adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of East Washington 10-14-1980 by Ord. No. 387. Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES

Property maintenance — See Ch. 245.
Solid waste — See Ch. 279.

Subdivision and land development — See Ch. 295.
Zoning — See Ch. 340.

§ 123-1. Maximum height six inches.

It shall be the duty of every owner of real estate within the Borough of East Washington to cut and mow grass and weeds on all parcels owned by such owner and in any space between any property line and curblin to the end that neither grass nor weeds shall rise above the height of six inches. Every such owner shall remove said cuttings or mowings and all accumulations of garbage and rubbish and other debris from such premises.

§ 123-2. Nuisance.

The growth of grass or weeds above the height of six inches or the accumulation of garbage and rubbish and other debris or the nonremoval of the same from all real estate within the Borough of East Washington is hereby declared to be a nuisance.

§ 123-3. Notice of violation.

Whenever it shall be reported to the Zoning Officer that any owner of real estate within the Borough has failed or neglected to comply with any of the terms of this chapter, the Zoning Officer shall cause a written notice to be served upon the owner, directing such owner to comply with all the terms of this chapter within five days. Said notice shall be in writing and may be given by ordinary mail addressed to the last known address of the owner.

§ 123-4. Borough to do work. [Amended 9-16-1985 by Ord. No. 404]

In the event of the failure of the owner of such real estate to cut and remove grass or weeds or to have the same cut and destroyed or remove rubbish and other debris within five days after being notified in accordance with § 123-3 hereinabove, the Borough of East Washington shall

have said weeds cut and destroyed and shall charge the costs of such work plus an administrative fee of 15% to the owner of the real estate upon which it is performed.

§ 123-5. Courts of equity proceedings.

In addition to other penalties provided by this chapter, the Borough of East Washington may institute proceedings in courts of equity to require owners of real estate within the Borough to comply with the provisions of this chapter.

§ 123-6. Cost of work as lien. [Amended 9-16-1985 by Ord. No. 404]

The cost of mowing and removal together with the fifteen-percent administrative fee hereinabove mentioned may be entered by the Borough as a lien against the property upon which the work was performed or violation found in accordance with existing provisions of law.

§ 123-7. Violations and penalties. [Amended 9-16-1985 by Ord. No. 404; 11-7-2005 by Ord. No. 481]

Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this chapter shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$1,000 and/or to imprisonment for a term not to exceed 90 days.