

Rockingham County Ordinances with Violations Constituting a Misdemeanor

1. Animal Control: Prohibits 1) keeping animals under unsanitary or inhumane conditions or neglect 2) allowing an animal to be a public nuisance or a danger to others or property 3) maintaining a dangerous or vicious animal 4) cruel treatment. Sec. 1-7 through Sec. 1-12
2. Noise: Prohibits unreasonably loud noises which are substantially incompatible with the time and location to the extent that it creates an actual or imminent interference with peace or good order. Sec. 16-1. (a)(b) Provides civil and criminal remedies.
3. Roadside Solicitation: Prohibits begging: during unpermitted hours, within 100 feet of any financial institution which is open for business, within 100 feet of any automatic teller machine, within 100 feet of the property lines of any private residence, within 20 feet of a public transportation stop, within 20 feet of a commercial establishment which is open for business, on the traveled portion of any street or highway or in such a way to obstruct traffic, not in aggressive or threatening way and by following a person who has been solicited and walked away. Sec. 2 (B)
4. Solid Waste: Prohibits maintaining , allowing, or causing improperly managed solid waste to remain upon any property, burning of solid waste, except as permitted by existing fire codes and regulations, throwing, scattering , spilling, placing, dumping, depositing, causing or allowing to be blown, scattered, spilled or thrown , or otherwise disposing of any solid waste upon any property with or without the consent of the property owner which is inconsistent with proper and solid waste management and disposal practices, burying in the earth or submersing in water any solid waste material that is not permitted. (Sec. 9-48)
5. Unified Development Ordinance: Zoning Article XVI 16-1 Violations (a) – (f) : development without a permit, development inconsistent with permit, violation by act or omission, use in violation, subdivide in violation and continuance of a violation.
6. Regulating Hunting and Fishing on Private Lands Without Written Permission of Owner: Unlawful to enter upon private lands of another to hunt or fish without written permission owner or leasee of said land.