



TOWN OF MARS HILL
LIST OF CRIMINAL ORDINANCES

**REPORT TO THE
NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL
ASSEMBLY, JOINT LEGISLATIVE
ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE
OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

**PURSUANT TO SESSION LAW 2018-69 and
SESSION LAW 2019-198**

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Ordinance Punishable by N.C.G.S. 14-4	Description of Conduct Subject to Criminal Punishment under the Ordinance	Date Adopted	Punishment / Other Notes
Ordinance 199 Adult Establishments	Places limitations on adult establishments including location and prohibition of certain acts and conduct.	March 5, 2012	Misdemeanor punishable by a fine of \$500 or imprisonment of 30 days or both.
Ordinance 193 Prohibition on Carrying of Concealed Weapons on Public Property	Prohibits carrying of concealed weapons in town owned buildings and property.	November 7, 2011	Class 3 Misdemeanor subject to punishment as set by law, including a \$500 fine.
Ordinance 192 Prohibition on Video Sweepstakes Terminals and Similar Gaming Devices	Prohibits operation of video sweepstakes and similar gaming terminals unless properly permitted by Town by applying and paying applicable permit fee.	November 7, 2011	Misdemeanor punishment as provided by G.S. 14-4, including a fine of not more than \$500.
Ordinance 177 Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance	Restricts or prohibits construction and other activities within flood prone areas to minimize public and private losses due to flood conditions.	June 1, 2009	Misdemeanor subject to a fine of not more than \$50.00 or imprisoned for not more than 30 days.
Ordinance 146 Illegal Connection to Water Hydrants	Prohibits illegal connection and use of Town water from Town hydrants without being properly authorized to do so.	May 3, 2004	Misdemeanor subject to fine of \$500 and/or 30 days in jail.
Ordinance 141 Illegal Dumping of Waste	Prohibits the illegal dumping of waste material into the Town's sewer system without being properly authorized to do so.	April 7, 2003	Misdemeanor subject to \$1,000 fine, or the cost of cleaning substance from system whichever is greater and/or 30 days in jail.
Ordinance 138 Noise Ordinance	Prohibits to cause to emit from the property where located any sound which goes beyond the property boundary; prohibits discharging of firearm or	October 1, 2001 Amended February 7, 2005 (Repeals Ord. 53 dated 9/15/1959).	Misdemeanor with fine of \$200 for first offense, \$300 for second offense, and \$500 for third and every offense thereafter.



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	fireworks 300 feet of an occupied structure; prohibits use of engine assisted braking systems.		
Ordinance 135 Sidewalks Ordinance	Unlawful for any person to use any mode of transportation, other than foot power, on the sidewalks of the Town. Specifically prohibits bicycling, roller skating, skate boarding, horseback riding, et al. Excepts use of wheelchairs and similar.	April 2, 2001	Misdemeanor punishable by \$100 fine.
Ordinance 127-A Landscape Standards	Protects the landscape of town by setting standards for the placement of trees and vegetation and protecting certain trees.	February 1, 1999	Penalties shall constitute a misdemeanor punishable as provided in G.S. 14-4.
Ordinance 125 Dog Ordinance	No person shall allow his dog to run at large or leave premises of said person unless dog is kept on a leash in responsible care.	March 2, 1998	Misdemeanor subject to fine not exceeding \$50.00 or imprisoned not exceeding 30 days.
Ordinance 117 Livestock Ordinance	Unlawful for owner to allow livestock to escape their property and be on any public highway, grounds or sidewalks within the Town.	June 1, 1997	Misdemeanor punishable by up to 30 days jail and/or a \$500 fine.
Ordinance 107 Misuse of 911 Telephone System	Unlawful for any person to dial 911 and falsely report a non-existing emergency	March 6, 1995	Misdemeanor punishable by fine not exceeding \$50.00 or not more than 30 days jail.

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Ordinance 106 Road Naming, Property Address Display for Town of Mars Hill	Establishes the procedures and regulations for the naming of road, addressing, and display of property address in Town.	March 6, 1995	Misdemeanor of not more 30 days jail or \$1,000 civil penalty pursuant to G.S. 14- 4C.
Ordinance 61-A Prohibiting Consumption of Intoxicating Liquor on Certain Property in Town	Unlawful to consume intoxicating liquor on highway, street, sidewalk, PVA or any public property. Unlawful for open container in vehicle.	September 7, 1999 Repealed Ord. 61 dated 6/18/1979.	Misdemeanor shall be fined not more than \$50 or imprisoned for not more than 30 days, or both as per G.S. 14-4.
Ordinance 34 Establish Fire Department and Punishment for Interfere with Fire Truck Operation	Established the fire department and prohibits the interference with fire truck operation and the giving of false alarms.	January 6, 1951	Misdemeanor shall be fined not more than \$50 or imprisoned for not more than 30 days.