

CHOWAN COUNTY, NC

Ordinance	Web Link	Section	Description
Address Display Ordinance	https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/vertical/sites/%7B10E82D50-AAE0-43D7-A98A-42E82683885E%7D/uploads/%7B8A6266E1-2A6D-4445-8A02-7FEEF7F5AC3B%7D.PDF	6	The purpose and intent of this ordinance is to provide a uniform system of road and street addresses for all properties and buildings throughout Chowan County in order to facilitate provision of adequate public safety and emergency response service and to minimize difficulty in locating properties and buildings for public service agencies and the general public. A warning notice will be issued after sixty days if the requirements have not been met. If the owner or occupant does not comply voluntarily with this ordinance within thirty days of delivery of a warning notice by registered or certified mail or by hand delivery to the building in violation, enforcement action pursuant to G.S.153A-123 may be initiated.
Alcohol on County Property	https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/vertical/sites/%7B10E82D50-AAE0-43D7-A98A-42E82683885E%7D/uploads/2017alcoholordinanceamendment.pdf	4	It shall be unlawful for any person to consume any alcoholic beverage on County owned or occupied property except as specifically set forth herein.
Alcohol sales on Sunday	https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/vertical/sites/%7B10E82D50-AAE0-43D7-A98A-42E82683885E%7D/uploads/20170919084124.pdf		Pursuant to the authority contained in G.S. 153A - 145.7, the sale of malt beverages, unfortified wine, fortified wine, and mixed beverages is allowed in the unincorporated areas of Chowan County beginning at 10 A.M. on Sunday pursuant to the '_licensed premises' permit issued under G.S 18B - 1001.

Ambulance Franchise	https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/vertical/sites/%7B10E82D50-AAE0-43D7-A98A-42E82683885E%7D/uploads/%7B36386EB4-A3CD-499D-9098-02A6BFDA1D4E%7D.PDF	14	<p>An ordinance governing the granting of franchises for ambulance services and other prehospital emergency medical services. In the event of a violation of any section of this Ordinance or of any term or condition of a franchise issued hereunder, the violator may be assessed a civil penalty by the County Manager in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500) for each violation. Each day that a violation continues shall be deemed a separate violation. A violator shall be entitled to a hearing before the County Manager on the assessment of any penalty. Any civil penalty, which assessment has been upheld subsequent to a hearing, may be recovered in the nature of a debt if the violator does not pay the penalty within ten (10) days after being notified of the hearing decision. Nothing herein shall prevent Chowan County from proceeding in a criminal action against any person, firm or corporation for violating any provision of this Ordinance or any term or condition of a franchise granted hereunder as provided in N.C.G.S. 14.4</p>
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Animal Control Ordinance	https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/vertical/sites/%7B10E82D50-AAE0-43D7-A98A-42E82683885E%7D/uploads/Microsoft Word - Final Amended County Animal Control Ordinance.pdf	12	<p>The Animal Control Supervisor or any other person duly authorized to commence legal action on behalf of the county may take necessary legal steps to enforce this chapter and collect any amount for outstanding costs, fees or penalties assessed pursuant to this chapter. This chapter shall be enforced by imposing the specific sanctions, penalties, fines and remedies described herein, by seeking injunctive relief, orders of abatement, orders of custody and any other means prescribed by statute or common law. Any violation of this chapter which does not carry a specific sanction, penalty or fine shall be punishable as a general criminal misdemeanor as defined by state law. Pursuant to NCGS 14-4, any violation of any provision of this ordinance shall constitute a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$50.00 or imprisonment for not more than 30 days. Each violation of this chapter shall be a separate and distinct offense and shall be punished as hereinabove provided. In addition to any criminal penalties or injunctive relief allowed by law, a violation of this section of the county animal control ordinance shall subject the person violating the section to a civil penalty in the amount of \$50.00 per day for every violation.</p>
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<p>Cable TV</p>	<p>https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/vertical/sites/%7B10E82D50-AAE0-43D7-A98A-42E82683885E%7D/uploads/%7B45D959E3-A3BE-4520-B9AD-CF6ECE89BB34%7D.PDF</p>		<p>AN ORDINANCE GR7\1-.JTING TO FRf,NCHISEE, THE NON-EXCLUSIVE RIGHT TO ERECT, MAINTAIN AND OPERf,TE IN, UI'>JDER, OVER, ALONG, ACROSS THE STREETS, LANES, AVENUES, SIDEWALKS, ALLEYS, BRIDGES, HIGHWAYS, EASEMENTS DEDICATED FOR COMPATIBLE USES AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES IN THE COUNTY OF CHO\NAN. AND THE SUBSEQUENT ADDITIONS THERETO, TOvVERS, CABLES AND ANCILLARY FACILITIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTING, OPERATING, Mf.INTAINING AND REPAIRING BROADBAND TELE-COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK, TRANSMISSION AND DISTRIBUTION BY CABLE OF TELEVISION SIGNALS FOR A PERIOD OF FIFTEEN (15) YEARS REGULATING THE SAME AND PROVIDING FOR COMPENSATION OF THE COUNTY.</p>
<p>Civil Preparedness</p>	<p>https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/vertical/sites/%7B10E82D50-AAE0-43D7-A98A-42E82683885E%7D/uploads/%7B84AEA8C5-EDFC-48DD-B1A8-2B898B3E9A74%7D.PDF</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>It is the intent and purpose of this Ordinance to establish an office that will insure the complete and efficient utilization of all the County of Chowan's and the incorporated municipalities' resources to combat disaster resulting from enemy actions or other disasters as defined herin. It shall be unlawful for any person to violate any of the provisions of this Ordinance or of the regulations or plans issued pursuant to the authority contained herein, or to willfully obstruct, hinder or delay any member of the Civil Preparedness organization as herein defined in the enforcement of the provision of this Ordinance or any regulations or plan issued thereunder. ¶</p>

Concealed Weapon Ordinance	https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/vertical/sites/%7B10E82D50-AAE0-43D7-A98A-42E82683885E%7D/uploads/%7BF863E943-D913-4548-8952-24195F9A6287%7D.PDF		No person shall carry a concealed handgun on or within any County owned building and/or his appurtenant premises or in a County owned park. An appropriate notice of said prohibition shall be posted in a conspicuous place in each County owned building and in each park notifying persons of said prohibition against carrying a concealed handgun therein. This ordinance shall not apply to law enforcement or other government personnel acting within the scope of their employment. ☐
Criminal History Check	https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/vertical/sites/%7B10E82D50-AAE0-43D7-A98A-42E82683885E%7D/uploads/Criminal_History_Check.pdf		This Ordinance is adopted by the Chowan County Board of Commissioners to provide a policy and procedures for conducting criminal history checks through SBI/DCI on final applicants for employment with Chowan County.
Curfew Ordinance	https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/vertical/sites/%7B10E82D50-AAE0-43D7-A98A-42E82683885E%7D/uploads/%7BA2867403-3C0D-43C4-AD15-A6B9E77D7368%7D.PDF	5	When a minor is found to be in violation of this ordinance, the officer will determine if the juvenile is a first offender, he/she will be taken to the residence of his/her parent or guardian. A written warning will be given to that adult and an information report taken by the officer, to include the name of the juvenile and adult, and the time, date and location of the offense. This report will be turned into the Sheriff's Department records division. (b) If, upon checking, the juvenile is found to be a repeat offender, he/she will be taken to the residence of his/her parent or guardian and the adult (parent or guardian) will be subject to a criminal citation, pursuant to Subsection B 6 of this article. A report will be turned into the Sheriff's Department and entered into the Sheriff's Department records division.

Delinquent Property Tax must be paid before issuance of building permit	https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/vertical/sites/%7B10E82D50-AAE0-43D7-A98A-42E82683885E%7D/uploads/%7BB6CF5FE6-389B-44E8-9C74-B959F8DF231C%7D.PDF		Upon authority of Chapter 117 of the 2009 Session Laws of the General Assembly of North Carolina and effective on the date of adoption of this ordinance, a Building Permit may not be issued to a person who owes delinquent property taxes, determined under G.S. 105-360, on property owned by the person and on which the person is seeking to commence construction requiring the permit.
Emergency Management Ordinance	https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/vertical/sites/%7B10E82D50-AAE0-43D7-A98A-42E82683885E%7D/uploads/EMORD.pdf		It is the intent and purpose of this Ordinance to set forth the authority and responsibility of the County of Chowan, its officials, officers, departments, and employees in the prevention of preparation and planning for, response to and recovery from natural or man-made emergencies including natural or man-made accidental, military, paramilitary, weather-related, or riot-related causes.
Fire Insurance District	https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/vertical/sites/%7B10E82D50-AAE0-43D7-A98A-42E82683885E%7D/uploads/Fire_Insurance_District.pdf		Joint Resolution Adopting an Ordinance Creating the Belvidere & Chappell Hill Volunteer Fire Department Inc. Fire Insurance District of Perquimans County and Chowan County
Funeral Processional	https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/vertical/sites/%7B10E82D50-AAE0-43D7-A98A-42E82683885E%7D/uploads/%7BD34235A9-DF16-4C6F-95E3-1C89F2AA0A49%7D.PDF		The operator of any motor vehicle traveling on or entering on the streets or highways shall yield the right-of-way to a vehicle procession. A vehicle procession shall have the right-of-way at any intersection regardless of the method of traffic control which is present or in operation at said intersection. Any operator of any motor vehicle who fails to yield right-of-way to a vehicle procession shall be liable for an infraction and shall receive a penalty of \$35.00 and costs.

Land Records Modernization	https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/vertical/sites/%7B10E82D50-AAE0-43D7-A98A-42E82683885E%7D/uploads/%7BAFBC896F-BD12-4752-B75D-2AC1CC4AB4A9%7D.PDF		The register of deeds shall not accept for registration any deed, deed of trust, map or plat or any other instrument containing a description of the real property affected by the instrument unless the parcel identifier numbers of all parcels affected have been assigned and written on the instrument by the County Land Records Office in accordance with the county procedures manual for creating and assigning parcel identifier numbers.
Noise Ordinance	https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/vertical/sites/%7B10E82D50-AAE0-43D7-A98A-42E82683885E%7D/uploads/20171027082417.pdf	10	The authority to regulate, restrict, or prohibit the production or emissions of noises or amplified speech, music, or other sounds that tend to annoy, disturb, or frighten its citizens, is conferred upon the counties by North Carolina General Statutes §153A-133.
Register of Deeds to Record Plat	https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/vertical/sites/%7B10E82D50-AAE0-43D7-A98A-42E82683885E%7D/uploads/%7BA6FC2956-3296-41BE-A1DB-649A74E9B551%7D.PDF		All maps and plats presented for registration in the Chowan County Registry pursuant to G.S. 47-30 shall measure eighteen (18) inches by twenty-four (24) inches. Within the eighteen inches by twenty-four inches dimensions, a one-half inch border shall be left on the left side for binding. The Chowan County Register of Deeds is directed to reject all maps and plats submitted for registration pursuant to North Carolina G.S. 47-30 that are not the dimensions specified in this Ordinance.

Tobacco	https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/vertical/sites/%7B10E82D50-AAE0-43D7-A98A-42E82683885E%7D/uploads/Smoking_Tobacco.pdf		AN ORDINANCE TO PROHIBIT SMOKING AND THE USE OF OTHER TOBACCO PRODUCTS IN CHOWAN COUNTY BUILDINGS AND VEHICLES Following oral or written notice by the person in charge of an area described in Section 3, or his or her designee, failure to cease smoking or using tobacco products constitutes an infraction punishable by a fine of not more than fifty dollars (\$50.00). A citation may be issued by a sworn law enforcement officer. Conviction of an infraction under this section has no consequence other than payment of a penalty, and no court costs may be assessed, if allowable by law. bi Additional sanctions for employees. In addition to any penalty under subsection (a), employees of the County who violate this ordinance shall be subject to disciplinary action consistent with the County's human resources policies.
Solid waste Ordinances	https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/vertical/sites/%7B10E82D50-AAE0-43D7-A98A-42E82683885E%7D/uploads/%7B80F977DA-017C-4C7B-8902-4381F048632D%7D.PDF	5.3	ORDINANCE REGULATING THE ASSESSMENT & COLLECTION OF SOLID WASTE USER FEES IN CHOWAN COUNTY
	https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/vertical/sites/%7B10E82D50-AAE0-43D7-A98A-42E82683885E%7D/uploads/%7B5B201C53-1443-4299-BD54-0BA0B6D60B97%7D.PDF	7	It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in business as a solid waste collector within any area of the [county], without first having procured a solid waste license from the Board.
	https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/vertical/sites/%7B10E82D50-AAE0-43D7-A98A-42E82683885E%7D/uploads/%7BDE46602B-4205-454F-9303-DE932A939198%7D.PDF	6	The purpose of this ordinance is to regulate the storage, collection and disposal of solid wastes in Chowan County.
Subdivision Ordinance			

Tax Gross Receipts from retail lease or rental	https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/vertical/sites/%7B10E82D50-AAE0-43D7-A98A-42E82683885E%7D/uploads/%7BA1B34B39-B015-45A8-84F6-9341D09F781B%7D.PDF	5	current NCGS §105-275(42) excludes from the county's ad valorem tax base "vehicles offered at retail for short-term lease or rental"; however pursuant to the same session law, NCGS §153A-156 authorizes a county to levy a gross receipts tax on the gross receipts from the short-term lease or rental of vehicles at retail to the general public. Misdemeanor for Willful Violation. Any person, firm, corporation or association who willfully attempts in any manner to evade a tax imposed herein or who willfully fails to pay the tax shall, in addition to the penalties provided by law and herein, be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable as provided by law.
Voluntary Ag District	https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/vertical/sites/%7B10E82D50-AAE0-43D7-A98A-42E82683885E%7D/uploads/20140502114700.pdf		The purpose of this ordinance is to promote the preservation of farmland in Chowan County so that development and growth will be accompanied by protection of farms from non-farm development and other negative impacts on properly managed farms, recognizing the importance of agriculture to the economic and cultural life of the county.
Water use Development Fee	https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/vertical/sites/%7B10E82D50-AAE0-43D7-A98A-42E82683885E%7D/uploads/20160112104437.pdf		Water Use Development Fee is hereby created and shall be imposed, in addition to the existing tap-on fee, on all new water customers henceforth in an amount determined as follows: 1. \$2500 for each new water tap no greater than one inch in size. 2. \$3500 for each new water tap no greater than two inches in size.

Zoning/Subdivision/ Nuisance Ordinances	https://www.chowancounty-nc.gov/index.asp?Type=B_BASIC&SEC={CCAFE3EF-D454-4107-B886-08F2390CBC1E}		<p>The existing ordinances of Chowan County, a violation of which shall subject the offender to civil penalties and/or criminal penal provisions of law, are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chapter 1-1 Minimum Building Setback Ordinance Chapter 1-2 Off-Street Parking & Off-Street Loading Requirements & Parking Lot Landscaping Chapter 2 Subdivision Ordinance Chapter 3 Zoning Ordinance Chapter 4-1 Mobile Home & Travel Trailer Park Ordinance Chapter 4-2 Mobile Home Year Ordinance Chapter 5 Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance Chapter 6-1 Unsafe Buildings and Structures Ordinance Chapter 6-2 Noxious Weeds Ordinance Chapter 6-3 Abandoned and Junked Motor Vehicles Ordinance Chapter 7-1 Wireless Communications Ordinance Chapter 7-2 Outdoor Advertising Sign Regulations Chapter 7-3 Adult Business and Sexually Oriented Business Ordinance
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