

TOWN OF PINE LEVEL
LIST OF ORDINANCE OFFENSES PUNISHABLE AS
A MISDEMEANOR
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Ordinance/Link	Description	Penalty
<u>Animal Control</u>	Prohibits: allowing animals to roam at-large; allowing animal noises to disturb the peace; keeping more than six dogs at one residence; cruelty and neglect to animals; owning dangerous animals; herd, parade, or otherwise move livestock or other animals from one location to another along a public street; setting traps for animals; keeping unvaccinated animals; kill or remove from the Town limits any animal suspected of rabies that has bitten a person or other animal, or that has been placed under quarantine without the animal control authority's approval; keeping poultry, fowl, or livestock within the Town.	Class 3 misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$500.00 and/or imprisonment in the County Jail for a period of not more than 30 Days
<u>Abandoned Nuisance Junked Motor Vehicle</u>	Prohibits: allowing a vehicle to become a health or safety hazard, cause or allow a vehicle to be abandoned; allow a vehicle to remain property after it has been declared a nuisance; removal or attempted removal from any storage facility designated by the town of any vehicle which has been impounded pursuant to this ordinance	Not specified in ordinance, therefore GS 14-4 applies. Class 3 misdemeanor and fine not more than \$50.00.
<u>Curfew For Juveniles</u>	Prohibits: Minors under the age of 16 to be in public places between the hours of 10:00 pm and 6:00 am. Exceptions include traveling between his/her home and his/her place of employment, church, municipal building or school where a function is being held. Does not apply to emergency errands or errands for parents, and inter- and intra-state travel or while accompanied by the minor's guardian. Further prohibits parents, guardians, and business owners from “knowingly” allowing or abetting in violation of this ordinance.	Class 3 misdemeanor and fine not more than \$50.00.
<u>Designated Truck Routes</u>	Prohibits: heavy trucks and trailers (tractor and tandem tractor type trucks for pulling semitrailers and tandem semi-trailers and tandem semi-trailers) entering into the Town of Pine Level, destined to any point outside of the Town of Pine Level, and not taking on or discharging any goods, wares, or merchandise within the city limits, from traveling on any route not on the established truck routes.	Not specified in ordinance, therefore GS 14-4 applies. Class 3 misdemeanor and fine not more than \$50.00.

<u>Flood Damage Prevention</u>	Prohibits: building structures or disturbing land within the designated flood plain without first obtaining permits and certificates required by the ordinance.	Class 1 misdemeanor pursuant to G.S. § 143-215.58. Fined not more than \$100.00 or imprisoned for not more than thirty (30) days, or both. Each day such violation continues shall be considered a separate offense.
<u>Housing Standards</u>	Establishes minimum standards of habitation and property. Prohibits dwellings which are unfit for human habitation due to dilapidation; defects increasing the hazards of fire, accidents, and other calamities; lack of ventilation, light and sanitary facilities; and other conditions rendering such dwellings unsafe or unsanitary, dangerous, and detrimental to the health, safety and otherwise inimical to the welfare of the residents of the county.	Not specified in ordinance, therefore GS 14-4 applies. Class 3 misdemeanor and fine not more than \$50.00.
<u>Malt Beverages & Unfortified Wine</u>	Prohibits: Consumption and possession of open containers on public streets and on municipal property.	Class 3 misdemeanor and fine not more than \$50.00.
<u>Miscellaneous Offenses</u>	Prohibits: discharge any firearm, pellet gun, air gun within the town; create any disturbance at or near any public entertainment or meeting; injure, damage, deface, trespass upon, break, or injure any property belonging to the town; create, or assist in creating, permit, continue, or permit the continuance of any unreasonably loud, disturbing, and unnecessary noise in the town.	Class 3 misdemeanor and fine not more than \$50.00.
<u>Parks and Recreation</u>	Prohibits: using the park for political or private profit; disorderly or obscene conduct or nuisance; injuring any building, equipment, grounds, trees, shrubs or plants; carrying or use of firearms, explosives, knives, or weapons of any character upon parks and recreation areas; possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages; gambling; fires.	Class 3 misdemeanor. Table of fines for different offenses in ordinance.
<u>Peddlers & Solicitors</u>	Prohibits: door to door solicitation of goods or services without first obtaining a permit from the town.	Class 3 misdemeanor and fine not more than \$50.00.
<u>Price Gouging</u>	Prohibits merchants from selling goods or providing services within the town from raising prices above the pre-disaster levies. Sales of goods or services at a price above pre-disaster level shall only be permissible if merchants can document in writing the purchase of these goods at increased cost.	Class 3 misdemeanor and fine up to \$200.00 per incident. Each sale shall constitute a separate offense.

<u>Prohibit Wells Within Corporate Limits</u>	Prohibits: wells to be constructed in the town's corporate limits, for the purpose of supplying potable or non-potable water. It shall be unlawful for any person or business entity to dig, drill or otherwise draw water from geological strata within and under the corporate limits, with the exception of wells existing at the date of adoption of this ordinance.	Class 3 misdemeanor and fine up to \$100.00.
<u>Prohibiting Open Fires</u>	Prohibits: open fires for the purpose of burning leaves, trash or other combustible material. Private incinerators of metal or outdoor fireplace construction are considered as open-burning, and their use is not allowed.	Class 3 misdemeanor and fine not more than \$50.00.
<u>Regulate Burglary & Robbery Alarm Systems</u>	Prohibits: any person to activate a burglary or robbery alarm for the purpose of summoning police when no burglary or robbery, or other crime dangerous to life, is being committed or attempted on the premises; or otherwise to cause a false alarm; for an alarm user to fail to reimburse the Town of Pine Level, in accordance with section 5 of this ordinance, for alarm response(s) by the Pine Level Police Department.	Class 3 misdemeanor, fine of not more \$50.00.
<u>Subdivision</u>	Prohibits: subdividing land in violation of this ordinance; transfers or sells land by reference to, exhibition of, or any other use of a plat showing a subdivision of the land before the plat has been properly approved under the terms of this ordinance and recorded in the Office of the Johnston County Register of Deeds.	Class 3 misdemeanor, fine of not more than \$50.00. Each day's continuing violation shall be a separate and distinct offense.
<u>Taxicabs</u>	Prohibits: operating any vehicle for unless that person has the correct name of the person owning such vehicle for hire, together with the telephone number of every such person owning such vehicle, clearly and visibly printed in paint on both sides and the rear of the car in letters at least four (4) inches high; alcoholic beverages to be transported in a taxicab unless the same is owned by a fare-paying passenger in the taxicab at the time; operate such taxicab, unless there shall have been filed with the Town Clerk a liability contract of insurance issued to the owner, which shall be in the form of the standard automobile liability insurance policy in customary use and issued by an insurance company licensed to do business in the State naming the Town of Pine Level as an additional insured; and to refuse to convey a passenger at the rate shown on the rate card displayed in the taxicab or to demand a rate in excess of the fare shown on such card.	Not specified in ordinance, therefore GS 14-4 applies. Class 3 misdemeanor and fine not more than \$50.00.
<u>Traffic Regulations</u>	Prohibits: failing or refusing to comply with the directions indicated on any sign, marker, or device for the control of direction of traffic or regulation of parking; place, maintain, or display on or in view of any street or highway any unauthorized sign, signal, marking, or device which purports to be or is imitation of or resembles an official traffic-control device, sign, or signal, or which attempts to direct the movement of traffic, or which	Class 3 misdemeanor, fine of not more \$50.00.

	hides from view or interferes with the effectiveness of any official traffic-control device, sign , or signal; maintain a traffic sign or signal bearing thereon any commercial advertising; attempt to or in fact alter, deface, injure, knock down, or remove any official traffic-control device, sign, or signal or any inscription, shield, or insignia thereon, or any part thereof; willfully fail or refuse to comply with any lawful order or direction of a police officer or Fire Dept. official; drive or ride upon a skateboard, cycle, go-cart, or motorized vehicle of any type (except a wheelchair) upon the sidewalks or public walk areas of the Town of Pine Level.	
<u>Zoning</u>	Requires property owners to comply with all requirements regarding use of their properties located within the territorial limits of the Town of Pine Level. Requirements are too numerous to summarize in this format. A link to the complete zoning ordinance is included herein.	Class 3 misdemeanor, fine of not more than \$500.00. Each day's continuing violation shall be a separate and distinct offense.

Please note that all Zoning ordinance headings are hyperlinks to the respective ordinances on the Town's website. Further, a list of all of the Town's ordinances can be found online at the following web address: <http://pinelevel.org/ordinances/>