



TOWN OF FARMINGTON

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98 School Street • Farmington, DE 19950

Town of Farmington Ordinance: C.03

AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE THE LENGTH OF GRASS ON ANY PROPERTY WITHIN THE TOWN OF FARMINGTON LIMITS.

Whereas, the Town Council for the Town of Farmington is charged with the responsibility of protecting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Farmington; and

Whereas, the Town Council for the Town of Farmington believes that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the Town to update and improve the Town ordinances; and

Whereas, the Town Council for the Town of Farmington believes that it is in the best interest of the citizens of the Town to regulate the length of grass in the Town of Farmington limits; and

BE IT HEREBY ENACTED by the Town Council for the Town of Farmington, a majority thereof concurring in Council duly met, that the following ordinance be enacted:

Section 1. Definitions

Tall Grass and Weeds: for the purpose of this ordinance shall mean any grass, weeds, bushes, vines, poison ivy, poison oak, or any other foreign growth wild or cultivated. This is to exclude any town approved trees, ornamental shrubbery, flowers or garden vegetation.

Section 2. Purpose. Tall grass presents a community hazard in the form of harboring small vermin and fostering the growth of poisonous plants.

Section 3. Provisions. The growth of any grass over 10" inches will be considered in violation of this ordinance unless a waiver of grass height is granted by the town. Waivers can be granted by the Town for agricultural growth and special circumstances.

Section 4. Notice. It shall be unlawful for any owner and/or resident to allow grass to be grown over the length of 10" inches within the Town of Farmington for more than ten (10) days after receipt of notice to cut.

Whenever the Code Enforcement Officer finds or is notified that a violation of section three (3) of this ordinance, the Code Enforcement Officer shall send by certified mail a notice to the owner of the Tax assessment records to have the grass cut within ten (10) days following receipt of such notice. Such notice shall contain the following information.

- A) The nature of the complaint;
- B) Description and location of overgrown grass;
- C) A statement that the grass shall be cut within ten (10) days following the receipt of notice;
- D) A statement of penalties for non-compliance with such notice;