

**ARTICLE 25**

**PENALTIES**



Sec. 25.01 PENALTIES

Any building or structure which is erected, moved, placed, reconstructed, razed, extended, altered, maintained or used, or any use of a lot or land which is begun, maintained or changed in violation of any term or provision of the Ordinance is hereby declared to be a nuisance per se. Any person or other entity who violates, disobeys, omits, neglects or refuses to comply with, or resists the enforcement of any term or provision of this Ordinance or any permit, license or exception granted under this Ordinance, or any lawful order of the Zoning Administrator, Board of Appeals, Planning Commission or the Township Board issued in pursuance of this Ordinance, whether as owner, lessee, licensee, agent, servant, or employee, shall be liable as a principal.

- A.) Any violation of any provision of this Ordinance shall constitute a basis for injunctive relief against the violator, restraining and prohibiting continuation of the violation, in addition to any other relief or sanction set forth in this chapter or allowed by law.
  
- B.) Any person or other entity who violates any provision of this Ordinance, or any permit, license or exception granted under this Ordinance, or any lawful order of the Zoning Administrator, Board of Appeals, Planning Commission or the Township Board issued in pursuance of this Ordinance, shall be deemed to be responsible for a municipal civil infraction as defined by state statute, which shall be punishable by a civil fine as follows:

(1) For admissions of responsibility by persons served with municipal ordinance violation notices:

<b>Fine</b>		
First offense within a 3-year	period*	\$ 50.00
Second offense within a 3-year	period*	125.00
Third offense within a 3-year	period*	250.00
Fourth or more offense within	a 3-year period*	400.00

\*Determined on the basis of the date of commission of the offense(s).

Additionally, the violator shall pay costs that may include all expenses, direct and indirect, to which the Township has been put in connection with the municipal civil infraction. In no case, however, shall costs of less than \$9.00 nor more than \$500.00 be ordered.