

ARTICLE 153

LITTERING AND DISPOSAL OF REFUSE

§153.01 Littering prohibited.

No person shall litter, sweep, lay or throw, or permit his employee or any other person under his control to litter, sweep, lay or throw any ashes, dirt, garbage, refuse or rubbish of any kind in or upon any street or public place, lot, air shaft, areaway, backyard, court or alley.

§153.03 Exposure or agitation of certain materials prohibited.

No lime, ashes, dry sand, coal, hair, waste paper, feathers or other substance that is likely to be carried by the wind shall be sieved, agitated or exposed, nor shall any carpet, mat, cloth, garment, yarn material or other substance be shaken, beaten, cleaned or scoured in any place where they or particles therefrom will pass into any street, public place or occupied premises.

§153.05 Precautions during construction or demolition work.

During the construction, repair, alteration or demolition of any building or erection, all usual or reasonable precautions shall be taken to prevent danger to life or health from falling fragments or substances or from flying dust or any other light materials into any street, place or building. The material to be removed in the demolition of any building or part thereof shall be wetted in order to lay dust incident to its removal.

§153.07 Exposure of rags, barrels, boxes and other materials prohibited.

No person shall place any rags, damaged merchandise, barrels, boxes, broken bales of merchandise or goods in any place where they or particles therefrom will pass into any street, public place or occupied premises.

§153.09 Throwing or dropping offensive matter into streets, public places, rivers and other places prohibited.

No person shall throw or put any blood, swill, brine, offensive animal matter, noxious liquid, dead animals, offal, putrid or stinking vegetable or animal matter or other filthy matter of any kind, and no person shall allow any such matter to run or fall into any street, public place, sewer, receiving basin or river, any standing or running water or into any other waters of the City as defined in §145.01.

§153.11 Spilling or scattering from vehicles prohibited.

No owner or person in charge of any vehicle shall drop, spill or scatter or permit to be dropped, spilled or scattered therefrom any dirt, sand, gravel, clay, loam, stone, building rubbish, hay, straw, shavings, saw dust or other light materials of any sort, ashes, trade, household or manufacturing wastes, rubbish, manure, garbage or refuse or any offensive matter, in or upon any street or public place.

§153.13 Interference with Department of Sanitation employees prohibited.

No person shall prevent or interfere with any employee or agent of the Department of Sanitation in the sweeping or cleaning of any street or in the removal of snow, ice, sweepings, ashes, garbage, rubbish, or other refuse material.

§153.15 Interference with refuse placed for collection prohibited.

No person other than an employee or agent of the Department of Sanitation shall disturb or remove any ashes, garbage or light refuse or rubbish placed for removal by householders or their tenants within the stoop or area line, or in front of the house or lots, unless requested by the residents or occupants of the premises.

§153.17 Handbills, cards and circulars. [Repealed]

§153.19 Duties of owners or persons in charge of premises.

- (a) The owner, agent, lessee, tenant, occupant or other person who manages or controls a building or lot shall be jointly and severally responsible for keeping the sidewalk, flagging and curbstone abutting the premises free from obstructions and nuisances and for keeping such sidewalk, flagging and curbstone, the air shafts, areaways, backyards, courts and alleys, or lot clean and free from garbage, refuse, rubbish, litter, other offensive matter or accumulation of water.
- (b) The owner, agent, lessee, tenant or occupant or other person who manages or controls a lot which is sunken, excavated, or below the grade of the adjacent sidewalk shall provide a proper fence to protect persons from falling into such lot.

§153.21 Removal of dead or diseased animals and offensive materials regulated; use and condition of vehicles.

- (a) Every person who has contracted or undertaken to remove any diseased or dead animal, rubbish, garbage, dirt, or any offensive matter, or who is engaged in such removal shall do so promptly. The operation shall be conducted in a clean and sanitary manner and shall not create any hazard to life or health. The offensive matter shall not lie piled up or partially raked together in any street or place before its removal, and the loading or unloading of such matter or its transportation through any street, place or premises shall not consume an unreasonable period of time.
- (b) Vehicles used for the carrying or transporting of any offensive matter shall be kept in a sanitary condition. They shall be properly covered at all times except as otherwise required during the loading and unloading operation. Such vehicles shall not be allowed to stand or remain unnecessarily in front of or near any premises. When not in use they shall be stored and kept in a manner so as not to cause any nuisance.

§153.23 Filling of land; use of materials.

No person shall fill any land below established grade unless he has received a permit therefor from the department having jurisdiction. No materials shall be used in land filling operations other than clean earth, ashes, dirt, concrete, rock, gravel, stone, slag or

sand. The provisions of this section do not apply to land filling operations conducted by a department or agency of the City.

§153.25 Interference with the use of docks, piers and bulkheads for the disposal of offensive materials prohibited.

No person shall obstruct, delay or interfere with the lawful use of any dock, pier or bulkhead by any person or contractor engaged in the disposal of any garbage, rubbish or other offensive matter or with the proper performance of such contract.