

## ARTICLE 21 PENALTIES

**A.** Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this Code of Ordinances for the Town of Glen Echo shall be deemed liable for a municipal infraction or guilty of a misdemeanor.

**B.** Unless otherwise specified, violation of any provision or requirement of this Code shall constitute a municipal infraction. Upon citation for a municipal infraction for which a penalty is not assigned elsewhere, any person, including an owner of property, any authorized or unauthorized agent, any contractor for such owner, and any person performing work on or about the owner's property, that violates a provision of the Code, and any property owner who allows a violation of any provision of the Code on his or her property, shall be subject to a fine of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for a first violation and Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for a second or subsequent violation of the same provision of this Code within a twelve (12) month period.

**C.** Each violation shall constitute a separate infraction. Each day that a violation exists shall constitute a separate violation.

**D.** Any person or persons guilty of violating any provision of the Code for which such violation is declared a misdemeanor shall be subject to a fine, or imprisonment, or both, in such maximum amount and term allowed by law.

**E.** Notwithstanding the above and the declaration of any violation of this Code to be a misdemeanor, the Town may prosecute any violation of any provision of the Code as a municipal infraction, in the Mayor's discretion, after consultation with the Town Council, and, except as otherwise specified in the Code, such violations shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for a first violation and Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for a second or subsequent violation of the same provision of this Code within a twelve (12) month period.

**F.** In addition to any other fine, penalty, or remedy, the Town may seek in a court of competent jurisdiction, to enjoin any violation of this Section and may recover from any violator the costs of such action, including reasonable attorney's fees.

**G.** In addition to any other fine, penalty, or remedy, any person or persons violating or failing to comply with any provision of the Code, in whole or in part, shall take such action as may be necessary to remedy a condition which violates the provisions, and if such remedy is not completed within ten (10) days from the date of notification of violation, or such other period as the Council or Code may specify, the Council may by contract or otherwise remove the violation and the cost thereof shall be paid immediately by such person or persons upon request of the Council. The Town may collect the cost, together with interest at 6% per annum: (1) as a lien against the land on the property tax bill; (2) in an action at law; or (3) in any other way legally available for collection of debts owed to the Town.

(Ord. No. 06-02, effective 11/7/06; Ord. No. 16-02, effective 1/30/17; Ord. No. 18-02, effective 6/3/18)