

CHAPTER 2-2 NOXIOUS WEEDS AND UNHEALTHFUL VEGETATION

2-2-1 DEFINITION

The following named weeds shall be deemed noxious, dangerous and unhealthful, to wit: Ragweed, parsley, pigweed, nettle, thistle, sunflower, goldenrod, tumbleweed, burdock, cockleburs, wild oats, sticktight, milkweed, creeping jenney and mustard.

2-2-2 LIMITS IN WHICH NOT PERMITTED TO GROW

It shall be unlawful for the owner or occupant of any lot or parcel of land within the City to grow or suffer or allow to grow during the months of June, July, August and September on such lot or parcel of land any of the vegetation described in this chapter.

2-2-3 WEEDS AND GRASS TO BE CUT

Every person, owner or occupant of realty in this City, shall cut down and keep cut all weeds, such as Russian thistle, Canadian Thistle, rag weed, dandelions and all noxious grasses and vegetation of every kind that shall grow upon such premises or along the streets, avenues or alleys adjacent to said premises occupied by them.

2-2-4 PENALTY

Any person violating this Chapter shall be fined \$100.00 for every day the property is in violation of this Chapter. However, the City may, at its option remove said weeds and assess the costs and expenses as a special assessment against each lot and parcel of land from which such weeds are so removed.

No penalty or special assessment shall be imposed under this Chapter unless the City shall first notify such owner or occupant to remove such weeds within twenty-four hours from the time of such notice. Such notice shall be mailed to such owner or occupant.

Authority: SDCL 9-32-12

2-2-5 SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

The city officials shall keep a true and correct account against each and every lot and parcel of land for the cost and expenses of removing and destroying such vegetation thereon, and shall, on or before the fifteenth day of October of each year, certify and return the same to the Finance Officer, and thereupon the Finance Officer shall prepare an assessment of said costs and expenses and file the same in his office, and shall thereupon present the same to assessments for local improvements by special assessment.

Authority: SDCL 9-32-12, SDCL C. 9-43