



Ohio Revised Code

Section 731.51 Notice to owner to cut noxious weeds or remove litter - service.

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(A) Upon written information that noxious weeds are growing on lands in a municipal corporation, and are about to spread or mature seeds, the legislative authority shall cause a written notice to be served upon the owner, lessee, agent, or tenant having charge of such land, notifying him that noxious weeds are growing on such lands and that they must be cut and destroyed within five days after the service of such notice.

(B) Upon a finding by the legislative authority that litter has been placed on lands in a municipal corporation, and has not been removed, and constitutes a detriment to public health, the legislative authority of a municipal corporation shall cause a written notice to be served upon the owner and, if different, upon the lessee, agent, or tenant having charge of the littered land, notifying him that litter is on the land, and that it must be collected and removed within fifteen days after the service of the notice.

As used in this section and section 731.53 of the Revised Code, "litter" includes any garbage, waste, peelings of vegetables or fruits, rubbish, ashes, cans, bottles, wire, paper, cartons, boxes, parts of automobiles, wagons, furniture, glass, oil of an unsightly or unsanitary nature, or anything else of an unsightly or unsanitary nature.

If the owner or other person having charge of the land is a nonresident of the municipal corporation whose address is known, the notice shall be sent to his address by certified mail. If the address of the owner or other person having charge of the land is unknown it is sufficient to publish the notice once in a newspaper of general circulation in the county.

This section does not apply to land being used under a municipal building or construction permit or license, a municipal permit or license, or a conditional zoning permit or variance to operate a junk yard, scrap metal processing facility, or similar businesses, or a permit or license issued pursuant to Chapter 3734., sections 4737.05 to 4737.12, or Chapter 6111. of the Revised Code.