



Ohio Administrative Code Rule 5122-31-08 Fines.

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- (A) With respect to recovery housing residences, no person is to do any of the following:
- (1) Violate division (A) of section 5119.392 or section 5119.395 or 5119.396 of the Revised Code;
 - (2) Violate any condition of recovery housing residence certification after having been granted certification;
 - (3) Interfere with a state or local official's investigation of, or regulatory authority over, a recovery housing residence; or
 - (4) Violate any rule of this chapter.
- (B) Whoever violates paragraph (A) of this rule is liable for a civil penalty of five hundred dollars for the first offense and one thousand dollars for each subsequent offense. A person or government entity is liable for an additional civil penalty of five hundred dollars or one thousand dollars, as applicable, for each thirty-day period the original penalty remains unpaid.
- (C) If the violator does not pay fines levied in accordance with this rule, the attorney general, upon the request of the director of behavioral health, is to bring a civil action to collect the fines. Fines collected pursuant to this rule will be deposited in the state treasury to the credit of the department's sale of goods and services fund.
- (D) If a recovery housing residence is not certified and operating after eighteen months since its first resident began occupying the residence, the uncertified recovery housing residence is in violation of division (A) of section 5119.392 of the Revised Code and subject to paragraphs (B) and (C) of this rule.
- (E) Nothing in this rule affects the director of behavioral health's authority under division (B) of section 5119.392 of the Revised Code to seek an order enjoining the operation of a recovery housing residence that is in violation of division (A) of section 5119.392 of the Revised Code.