

ORDINANCE NO. 1 OF 2019  
AMENDING TOWN OF PORT BARRE ORIGINAL CODE OF ORDINANCES  
PART 8, HEALTH AND SANITATION, CHAPTER 2 WEEDS

**SECTION 8-2001 Excessive weeds declared nuisance.**

Footnotes:

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**State Law reference**— Weed cutting in municipalities with a population of less than 400,000, R.S. 33:5062; municipal power to provide by ordinance for addressing noxious weeds, etc., R.S. 33:362.

**GENERALLY**

**Prohibited on occupied property or abutting sidewalks or neutral ground:**

(a) No owner, tenant or occupant of any leased, rented or occupied lot, place or area shall permit any noxious weeds, grass, or deleterious, unhealthy or noxious growths, over 8 inches in height, to grow, stand or accumulate on any lot, place or area unoccupied, leased or occupied by said person, or on any abutting sidewalk or neutral ground, nor shall such person allow said lot, place or area, or abutting sidewalk or neutral ground to become a haven for rodents or other dangerous animals.

(b) All cleared property shall be maintained at a height not to exceed 8 inches.

**Prohibited on unoccupied property or abutting sidewalks or neutral ground:**

(a) No owner of any lot, place or area not leased or occupied by another person shall permit any noxious weeds, grass, or deleterious, unhealthy or noxious growths, over 8 inches in height, to grow, stand or accumulate on any lot, place or area owned by said person, or any abutting sidewalk or neutral ground, nor shall such person allow said lot, place or area or any abutting sidewalk or neutral ground to become a haven for rodents or other dangerous animals.

(b) Naturally forested and agricultural properties shall not be disturbed unless they shall abut an occupied lot and then only to the extent of 50 feet adjacent to such occupied lot, but in no case shall the owner of such naturally forested or agricultural property allow it to become a haven for rodents or other dangerous animals.

**SECTION 8-2002 Authority of Code Enforcement Officer or Supervisor of Public Works to enter property.**

**Notification by Town:**

(a) The owner, tenant or occupant shall be served notice by certified mail, return receipt requested and/or priority mail through the United States Postal Service. The owner, tenant or occupant shall have five (5) days from the receipt of said letter to comply with the conditions of this Ordinance.

(b) The Code Enforcement Officer, Supervisor of public works, or his agent, or any person designated by the Town to perform the duties and responsibilities of public works is hereby authorized to enter property found to be in violation of this Ordinance, and to cut, rake and remove any noxious weeds or growth or deleterious, unhealthy or noxious growths, over 8 inches in height on unoccupied property and 8 inches in height on occupied property, growing or standing on any sidewalk or banquette, or on any lot,