

FINES: BY-LAW ON PREVENTION OF PUBLIC NUISANCES

SECTION	DESCRIPTION OF TRANSGRESSION	1 st OFFENSE	2 ND OFFENSE
3(1)(a) read with 7	Did work on or used any premises in such a manner that it interfered with the convenience or comfort of other people or that it became a source of danger to any person.	R 1 000,00 R 500	R 2000 R 1000
3(1)(b) read with 7	Carried on any trade, business, profession or hobby which caused discomfort or annoyance to other people.	NO AG	NO AG
3(1)(c) read with 7	Deposited, left, spilled, dropped or placed any fruit or vegetable peels, broken bottles, glass, refuse, building rubble, garden refuse or thing which is offensive or likely to cause annoyance, danger or injury to persons.	R 1 000,00	R 2000
3(1)(d) read with 7	Allowed the fencing of any premises to fall into a state of disrepair or to become unsightly or dilapidated.	R 500,00	R 1000
3(1)(e) read with 7	Allowed any building or structure or any portion thereof to fall into a dilapidated, neglected or unsightly state.	NO AG	NO AG
3(1)(f) read with 7	Used any stoep, verandah or alley of any shop or business premises or vacant land adjoining such shop or business premises for the purpose of storing, stacking, dumping, disposing, displaying or keeping articles or merchandise.	NO AG	NO AG
3(1)(g) read with 7	Enclosed any stoep or verandah of any shop or business premises by any means otherwise than by such means as approved by the municipality.	NO AG	NO AG
3(1)(h) read with 7	Disturbed the comfort, convenience, peace or quiet of other people by the use of electrical appliances or machinery whether malfunctioning or not.	NO AG	NO AG
3(1)(i) read with 7	Befouled, misused or damaged public toilets.	R 1 500,00	R 3000
3(1)(j) read with 7	Carried or conveyed in any street or public place, any objectionable material- or thing, which is or may become offensive or dangerous, unless such material or thing is suitably covered.	NO AG	NO AG

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3(1)(k) read with 7	Allowed any erf to be overgrown to such an extent that it may be used as a shelter by vagrants, wild animals or vermin or may threaten the safety of any member of the community.	NO AG	NO AG
3(1)(l) read with 7	Erected, or allowed to be erected or use on any premises any structure in a manner that causes a nuisance to people.	NO AG	NO AG
3(1)(m) read with 7	By an action allowed that a nuisance be created or continued.	R 3 000,00	R5000
3(1)(o) read with 7	At any time disturbed the public peace by making unseemly noises in any manner whatsoever.	R 1 000,00	R2000
3(1)(p)(i) read with 7	Loitered in any street or public place.	R 300,00	R600
3(1)(p)(ii) read with 7	Being drunk or under the influence of drugs? <i>In A Public Place? In A Private Function? In A Hospital?</i>	R 500,00	R4000
3(1)(p)(iv) read with 7	Continued to beg from a person or closely follow a person after such person has given a negative response so such begging.	R 300,00	R600
3(1)(p)(v) read with 7	Played loud music or the use of music instruments on any premises.	R 1 000,00	R2000
3(1)(q) read with 7	Advertised wares or services by means of any megaphone, loudspeaker, or similar device or by insistent shouting, striking of gongs, blowing of horns or ringing of bells / causing a nuisance.	R 1 500,00	R3000
3(1)(t)(i) read with 7	Discharged any fire-arm on any premises except premises or land zoned for agricultural purposes and which does not form part of a general plan for a township.	NO AG	NO AG
3(1)(t)(ii) read with 7	Discharged any airgun or air pistol on any premises except premises or land zoned for agricultural purposes and which does not form part of a general plan for a township.	R 1 000,00	R2000

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3(3) read with 7	Any action or condition on any premises that endangers the safety of any person or property or which is untidy, annoying, troublesome, offensive or disturbing to the peace of other people.	NO AG	NO AG
4(4) read with 7	Failed to give or refused access to premises to any authorised official, or obstructed or hindered him or her in the execution of his or her duties, or failed or refused to give information that he or she may lawfully be required to give to such official, or who gave false or misleading information knowing it to be false or misleading.	NO AG	NO AG

The George Municipality By-law Relating to Public Nuisances was approved by Council on 29 June 2023 and promulgated on 14 July 2023. In order to give effect to the provisions within the by-law the above admission of guilt fine list is recommended for approval by the Chief Magistrate.

The fine amounts provide sufficient deterrent value in relation to the seriousness of the offence and in some cases will escalate in amount due to the continued transgressions should there be any. The escalation will only be applicable when the perpetrator is found guilty or pays an admission of guilt fine in respect of the preceding offence.

Where transgressions are considered serious or where an admission of guilt will not assist in resolving the matter, there is no admission of guilt and the matter must be considered by a competent court for the granting of appropriate relief.

This determination replaces any previous determinations applicable to the George Magisterial District(s).



APPROVED

With Effect From 1st November 2023

Signature of Chief Magistrate

CHIEF MAGISTRATE

DATE: 09/10/2023