

**TITLE 11****MUNICIPAL OFFENSES<sup>1</sup>****CHAPTER**

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**CHAPTER 1****MISDEMEANORS OF THE STATE ADOPTED****SECTION**

11-101. Misdemeanors of the state adopted.

**11-101. Misdemeanors of the state adopted.** All offenses against the State of Tennessee which are committed within the corporate limits and which are defined by the state law to be misdemeanors are hereby designated and declared to be offenses against this municipality also. Any violation of any such law within the corporate limits is also a violation of this section. (1964 Code, § 10-101)

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<sup>1</sup>Municipal code references

Animals and fowls: title 10.

Fireworks and explosives: title 7.

Residential and utilities: title 12.

Streets and sidewalks (non-traffic): title 16.

Traffic offenses: title 15.

**CHAPTER 2****ALCOHOL****SECTION**

11-201. Public drunkenness.

11-202. Drinking beer, etc. on streets, etc.

**11-201. Public drunkenness.** It shall be unlawful for any person to be drunk in a public place or in any other place open to public view. (1964 Code, § 10-227)

**11-202. Drinking beer, etc. on streets, etc.** It shall be unlawful for any person to drink or consume, or have an open can or bottle of beer in or on any public street, alley, avenue, highway, sidewalk, public park, public school ground or other public place unless the place has a beer permit and license for on-premises consumption. (1964 Code, § 10-228)

**CHAPTER 3****FIREARMS, WEAPONS AND MISSILES****SECTION**

11-301. Weapons and firearms generally.

11-302. Air rifles, etc.

**11-301. Weapons and firearms generally.** Prohibition shall not apply to persons who may have been summoned by such officer or police officer to assist in the discharge of his said duties, nor to any conductor of any passenger or freight train of any steam railroad while he is on duty, it shall also be unlawful for any unauthorized person to discharge a firearm within the municipality. (1964 Code, § 10-212, modified)

**11-302. Air rifles, etc.** It shall be unlawful for any person in the municipality to discharge any air gun, air pistol, air rifle, "BB" gun, or sling shot capable of discharging a metal bullet or pellet, whether propelled by spring, compressed air, expanding gas, explosive or other force-produced means or method. (1964 Code, § 10-213)

**CHAPTER 4****TRESPASSING AND INTERFERENCE WITH TRAFFIC****SECTION**

11-401. Trespassing on trains.

11-402. Interference with traffic.

**11-401. Trespassing on trains.** It shall be unlawful for any person to climb, jump, step, stand upon, or cling to, or in any other way attach himself to any locomotive engine or railroad car unless he works for the railroad corporation and is acting in the scope of his employment or unless he is a lawful passenger or is otherwise lawfully entitled to be on such vehicle. (1964 Code, § 10-221)

**11-402. Interference with traffic.** It shall be unlawful for any person to stand, sit, or engage in any activity whatever on any public street, sidewalk, bridge, or public ground in such a manner as to prevent, obstruct or interfere with the free passage of pedestrian or vehicular traffic thereon. (1964 Code, § 10-232)

**CHAPTER 5****OBSCENITY, MORALS****SECTION**

11-501. Disorderly houses.

**11-801. Disorderly houses.** It shall be unlawful for any person to keep a disorderly house or house of ill fame for the purpose of prostitution or lewdness or where drunkenness, quarreling, fighting, or other breaches of the peace are carried on or permitted to the disturbance of others. Furthermore, it shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly visit any such house. (1964 Code, § 10-203)

**CHAPTER 6**

**LOITERING, ETC.**

**SECTION**

11-601. Vagrancy.

**11-601. Vagrancy.** It shall be unlawful for any person to beg or solicit alms or, if without apparent lawful means of support, to wilfully neglect to apply himself to some honest occupation. (1964 Code, § 10-220)

**CHAPTER 7****GAMBLING****SECTION**

11-701. Gambling.

**11-701. Gambling.** It shall be unlawful for any person to play at any game of hazard or chance for money or other valuable thing or to make or accept any bet or wager for money or other valuable thing. (1964 Code, § 10-215)

**CHAPTER 8****MISCELLANEOUS****SECTION**

11-801. Caves, wells, cisterns, etc.

11-802. Spitting.

11-803. State compulsory attendance law.

**11-801. Caves, wells, cisterns, etc.** It shall be unlawful for any person to permit to be maintained on property owned or occupied by him any cave, well, cistern or other such opening in the ground which is dangerous to life and limb without an adequate cover or safeguard. (1964 Code, § 10-231)

**11-802. Spitting.** It shall be unlawful for any person to spit upon any public street or sidewalk or upon the floors or walks of any public place. (1964 Code, § 10-229)

**11-803. State compulsory attendance law.** (1) A child who has not reached his eighteenth (18th) birthday, and being subject to the state compulsory attendance law, *Tennessee Code Annotated*, § 49-6-3001, shall not loiter, idle, wander or play in or upon the public streets, highways, alleys, parks or other public places, buildings, businesses, places of amusement and entertainment, vacant lots or other unsupervised places during those hours he is required to be in school under the state compulsory school attendance law. Further, no child shall be taken into custody for violation of this section until an investigation with the proper school officials has been made to determine if the child is required to be in school.

(2) No parent, guardian or other adult person who has been delegated the care and custody of such child under the age of eighteen (18), shall knowingly permit such child to violate the provisions of this section. A parent, guardian or other person who has been delegated the care or custody of such child found to be in violation of this section shall be held punishable. (Ord. #96-03, Nov. 1996)