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17-101. Prohibited acts. It shall be unlawful for any person, other than an owner or occupant to place or deposit any type of refuse, garbage, trash, or any other unwanted material in any privately owned, operated, or placed refuse container on the property of any other person or business entity without permission of that person or entity. (2003 Code, § 8-201)

17-102. Containers protected. It shall be unlawful for any person, other than the owner of said refuse container to uncover, move, remove, deface, or damage the refuse container in any manner. (2003 Code, § 8-202)

17-103. Private trash inspection prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person to rifle through, pilfer, dig into, or otherwise disturb, scatter, or tamper with the contents of any refuse container. This section is not intended to prohibit the owner or occupant of the property from retrieving articles mistakenly placed in the container. (2003 Code, § 8-203)

¹Municipal code reference

Property maintenance regulations: title 13.

17-104. Containers must be used. It shall be unlawful for anyone, including the owner or occupant of property lawfully using the refuse container, to strew, lay, place, or otherwise deposit trash, garbage, litter, or any unwanted materials close to or in the vicinity of the container instead of inside the container. (2003 Code, § 8-204)

17-105. Penalty. Any person violating any provision of this chapter shall be guilty of an offense and upon conviction shall pay a penalty of not less than one dollar (\$1.00) nor more than fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each offense. Each occurrence shall constitute a separate offense and each day that trash and litter is allowed by the owner or occupant to lay in the vicinity of the trash container shall be a separate offense. (2003 Code, § 8-205)

17-106. Fees for extra pick-up. Property owners or residents who utilize more than one (1) refuse container or who require refuse collection more than once a week shall be charged a fee established by resolution of the board of mayor and alderman for each trash pick-up in excess of one (1) refuse container service per week. Refuse containers may be emptied at the request of the container's owner or user or at the instance of the city, if its sanitation officers determine that the container is full and must be emptied to avoid trash being deposited outside the container. (2003 Code, § 8-206)

17-107. Sanitation officers designated. The employees of the public works department of the City of Church Hill are hereby designated sanitation officers for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this chapter and are authorized and empowered to issue appropriate citations for violations thereof. (2003 Code, § 8-207)

17-108. Pick-up of brush and large items of garbage and debris. The city shall collect brush as hereinafter defined on the first Thursday of each month. Tree stumps, trunks, limbs, roots, leaves and other clippings resulting from normal maintenance and care, annual life cycle, or from landscaping or beautification of property will be removed by the City of Church Hill provided that the following conditions are met:

- (1) All stumps, trunks, limbs, roots and other clippings must be cut in to not more than six (6) foot lengths;
- (2) No single piece may exceed fifty (50) pounds in weight;
- (3) Each piece shall be placed on the resident's property where normal garbage and trash pick-up occurs;
- (4) Leaves and other clippings shall be removed only if placed in appropriate containers.

Other large items of garbage and debris will be picked up by the City of Church Hill, Tennessee, on the third Thursday of each month. (2003 Code, § 8-208)

17-109. Maximum time curbside. Brush and large items of garbage and debris may not be placed at curbside on or near the resident's property where normal garbage and trash pick-up occurs more than seven (7) days in advance of the scheduled pick-up without having first obtained a permit to do so from the city recorder. There shall be no charge made by the city recorder for the issuance of such a permit. (2003 Code, § 8-209)

17-110. Separation for recycling. Brush, large items of garbage and debris, and other refuse shall be separated by residents in to like-groups prior to the pick-up of such objects so as to facilitate the recycling of such items to the extent possible. These separated objects shall be placed curbside for pick-up. (2003 Code, § 8-210)

17-111. Refuse at curbside restricted. It shall be a municipal offense to place any item defined in this chapter as garbage, brush, debris, or refuse which is intended for pick up by the City of Church Hill, Tennessee, at any place other than at the resident's property where normal garbage and trash pick-up occurs. (2003 Code, § 8-211)

17-112. Additional penalties. Violation of §§ 17-109 through 17-111 are declared to be violations of the Church Hill Municipal Code subjecting violators to a fine of not more than fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each offense. Each occurrence shall constitute a separate offense and each day such brush, garbage, debris, or refuse shall remain in violation of this chapter shall constitute a separate offense. (2003 Code, § 8-212)