

Chapter 12

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ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL**Sec. 12-1. Obstruction of streets and sidewalk.**

It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to place any obstruction on any street or sidewalk in the town either by placing any vehicle, instrumentality, or article of personal property of any kind or nature, or by assembling and congregating in crowds, on any street or sidewalk in the town in such a manner as to prevent the use of such street or sidewalk by any person or vehicle entitled to use the same, or in such a position as to be liable to cause an injury to any person or property in the town.

(Code 1991, § 12-1)

State law reference—Similar provisions, S.C. Code 1976, § 57-7-210.

Sec. 12-2. Removing obstruction.

Any person, placing an obstruction in any street or sidewalk, or congregating thereon in the manner set forth in this chapter, shall remove the obstruction immediately upon being notified by any police officer of the town. Upon the failure or refusal of the person to remove the obstruction immediately, the police officer shall proceed to remove the same and use such force as may be necessary to do so.

(Code 1991, § 12-2)

Sec. 12-3. Putting glass, etc., on streets prohibited.

No person shall throw or deposit upon any street any glass bottles, glass, nails, tacks, wire, cans, or any other substance upon any street or highway.

(Code 1991, § 12-3)

Secs. 12-4—12-20. Reserved.**ARTICLE II. UNIFORM STREET NAMING AND PROPERTY NUMBERING****Sec. 12-21. Established.**

There is hereby established a uniform system for road naming and for numbering property and buildings on all roads, streets, and public ways in the area so defined as the town and all buildings shall be numbered in accordance with the provisions set forth in this article.

(Code 1991, § 12-21)

Sec. 12-22. Street naming.

(a) No new streets may be named without first getting the approval of the E-911 project. The E-911 project will not approve any new street name which duplicates or is similar, either phonetically or by spelling, to another road name in a U.S. Postal Service zip code area/emergency service number area within the county.

(b) A master list of the names, including pertinent suffixes, of all roads and streets within the town shall be maintained by the E-911 project.

(Code 1991, § 12-22)

Sec. 12-23. Property numbering.

A uniform system of numbering properties and principal buildings is hereby adopted:

- (1) All streets shall be numbered with odd numbers on the left and even numbers on the right as the numbers increase, leaving a maximum of at least one number for every 40 feet of road frontage.
- (2) All numbers shall be assigned in a manner so determined by the town. This shall apply to existing numbers and future numbering requirements.
- (3) Each house, building, or structure shall have its own number.

(Code 1991, § 12-23)

Sec. 12-24. Assignment of numbers.

(a) Existing numbers shall be changed only where it is necessary in the judgment of the E-911 project to maintain the order and uniformity sought by this article.

(b) On December 31, 1990, the E-911 project shall begin assigning any and all developing structures located on any road, streets, or public way in the jurisdiction of this article. The E-911 project shall submit the site development plat to the addressing information center at the appropriate area post office with the uniform numbering system detailed upon a copy of the plat.

(c) Written notification of the proper address of each building shall be given to the owner, occupant, or agent of each building in all instances where a new number is assigned under the terms of this article.

(Code 1991, § 12-24)

Sec. 12-25. Placement of numbers.

(a) When each house or building has been assigned its respective number or numbers, the owner, occupant, or agent shall place or cause to be placed upon each house or building controlled by him the number or numbers assigned under the uniform system as provided in this article.

(b) Such numbers shall be placed on buildings within 30 days after receipt of notification by the E-911 project.

(c) Cost and installation of the numbers used shall be the responsibility of the property owner. Residential numbers used shall not be less than three inches in height, and business numbers shall not be less than four inches in height. Numbers shall be made of a durable and clearly visible material, and shall be in contrast to the color of the building.

(d) Numbers shall be put in a conspicuous place immediately above, on, or at the side of the proper door so that the number is clearly visible from the street line. In cases where the building is situated more than 50 feet from the street line, the building number shall be placed near the walk, driveway, or common entrance to the building, or upon the mailbox, gatepost, fence, curb or other appropriate place so as to be clearly visible from the street line.

(Code 1991, § 12-25)

Sec. 12-26. Administration and implementation.

(a) Whenever any house, building, or structure shall be erected or located in the area of the town after December 31, 1990, it shall be the duty of the E-911 project to inform any party applying therefor, of the number or numbers belonging to or embraced within the limits of any lot or property as provided in this article. In case of conflict as to the proper number to be assigned to any building, the E-911 project shall determine the number of such building. It shall be the responsibility of all areas not served by the E-911 project to coordinate road naming and house numbering with the E-911 project.

(b) It shall be the duty of the owner to secure the correct number or numbers as designated by the E-911 project for such property and attach such number so assigned on such building as provided by this article.

(c) No building permit shall be issued for any building or structure until the owner has obtained the assigned number from the E-911 project.

(d) Final approval of any structure erected, repaired, altered, or modified after December 31, 1990, shall be withheld by the town until permanent and proper numbers have been attached or fastened to the structure.

(Code 1991, § 12-26)

Sec. 12-27. Existing structures.

The town will require owners of existing principal structures to post the number so assigned to their dwelling under the provision of this article within 30 days after notification by the E-911 project. Community service organizations, neighborhood associations, and rescue and fire departments will be encouraged to assist in the implementation.

(Code 1991, § 12-27)

Sec. 12-28. Violations; penalties.

After March 31, 1991, failure by the owner, occupant, or agent responsible for a building, to place or cause to be placed on each building numbers as provided by this article, shall constitute a violation of the article, and the owner, occupant or agent shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be punished in accordance with section 1-12.

(Code 1991, § 12-28)

