

FULTON COUNTY HEALTH ORDINANCE PART X

VECTOR CONTROL ORDINANCE

SECTION A, SCOPE:

An Ordinance regulating vector populations through the elimination of vector breeding grounds, harborage areas, and sites where vector infestations occur and thereby eliminating the transmission of disease and unsanitary conditions.

Pursuant to the powers granted the Fulton County Board by the Illinois Compiled Statutes Chapter 55, Act 5, Section 1113 in such case made and provided therefore, and WHEREAS the vector populations, breeding grounds, harborage areas and sites of infestations are a menace to public health. THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the County Board of Fulton County, Illinois that the following Ordinance is hereby made and adopted.

SECTION B, ADOPTION BY REFERENCE:

In addition to those provisions set forth, this Ordinance hereby adopts, by reference the provisions set forth in the Vector Control Act, and any subsequent amendments and revisions hereto.

SECTION C, ENFORCEMENT PROVISIONS:

- 1) The Health Officer shall have the responsibility and authority to:
 - a. Investigate threats or potential threats to public health relating to mosquitoes and other potential vector transmitted diseases associated with the improper storage and handling of tires, improper waste disposal, unsanitary and natural conditions.
 - b. Conduct appropriate surveillance and monitoring activities.
 - c. Respond to inquiries, investigate complaints, conduct evaluations, and to provide technical consultations to help reduce or eliminate public hazards and nuisance conditions associated with mosquitoes and other vectors associated with disease transmission.

2) Inspections:

The Health Officer shall have the authority to inspect any site to determine the potential risk to the public health due to mosquitoes or other vectors. Any person or entity preventing the Health Officer from carrying out its duties shall be guilty of a violation of this Ordinance and shall be subject to penalties provided for in the Fulton County Health Ordinances.

3) Notification of Violation:

- a. Any violation of this Ordinance will result in the Health Office providing written notification of the violator, property owner, or tenant in control stating the violation(s) of the provisions of this Ordinance and the corrective action to be taken. A specific time period for correction will be established by the Health Officer for the corrective action to be completed and the penalty that could be assessed. This written notification may be sent by Registered or Certified Mail, or may be served as determined by the Fulton County States Attorney.
- b. The failure of the violator, property owner, or tenant in control to comply with the provisions of this Ordinance will result in the information regarding the violation(s) being forwarded to the States Attorney's Office for his enforcement consideration under the Penalty Clause as stated in the Fulton County Health Ordinances.

4) Emergency Order:

- a. If as the result of an investigation, the Health Officer determines that a public health hazard exists at the site due to mosquitoes or other vectors, the Health Officer may order such remedial measures as deemed necessary.
- b. If the Health Officer determines that the public interest, safety, or welfare imperatively requires emergency action to respond to an immediate public health hazard at a site due to mosquitoes or other vectors, the Health Officer may issue an emergency order incorporating a finding to that effect; such order may require closure or isolation of the site, pending a hearing or other action which shall be promptly instituted and determined.