

TITLE II – COMMUNITY PROTECTION
 DIVISION 2 – ENFORCEMENT: PUBLIC OFFENSES

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 PUBLIC PEACE

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45.01 ASSAULT. No person shall, without justification do any of the following:

1. Pain or Injury. Any act which is intended to cause pain or injury to, or which intended to result in physical contact which will be insulting or offensive to another, coupled with the apparent ability to execute the act.
 (Code of Iowa, Sec. 708.1[1])
2. Threat of Pain or Injury. Any act which is intended to place another in fear of immediate physical contact which will be painful, injurious, insulting, or offensive, coupled with the apparent ability to execute the act.
 (Code of Iowa, Sec. 708.1[2])
3. Dangerous Weapon. Intentionally point any firearm toward another, or display in a threatening manner any dangerous weapon toward another
 (Code of Iowa, Sec. 708.1[3])
4. Exceptions. Provided, that where the person doing any of the above enumerated acts, and such other person, are voluntary participants in a sport, social or other activity, not in itself criminal, and such act is a reasonably foreseeable incident of such sport or activity, and does not create an unreasonable risk or serious injury or breach of the peace, the act shall not be an assault.
 (Code of Iowa, Sec. 708.1)

45.02 WILLFUL INJURY. No person shall do any act which is not justified and which is intended to cause and does cause serious injury to another
 (Code of Iowa, Sec. 708.4)

45.03 HARASSMENT. No person shall with intent to intimidate, annoy or alarm another person, do any of the following:

1. Communications. Communicate with another by telephone, telegraph, or writing without legitimate purpose and in a manner likely to cause the other person annoyance or harm.
 (Code of Iowa, Sec. 708.7[1])

2. Simulated Explosive. Place any simulated explosive or simulated incendiary device in or near any building, vehicle, airplane, railroad engine or railroad car, or boat occupied by such person.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 708.7[2])

3. Merchandise or Services. Order merchandise or services in the name of another, or to be delivered to another, without such other person's knowledge or consent.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 708.7[3])

4. False Report. Report or cause to be reported false information to a law enforcement authority implicating another in some criminal activity, knowing that the information is false, or report the alleged occurrence of a criminal act, knowing the same did not occur.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 708.7[4])

45.04 WILLFUL DISTURBANCE. No person shall willfully disturb any deliberative body or agency of the State, or subdivision thereof, with the purpose of disrupting the functioning of such body or agency by tumultuous behavior, or coercing by force or the threat of force any official conduct or proceedings

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 718.3)

45.05 DISORDERLY CONDUCT. No person shall do any of the following:

1. Fighting. Engage in fighting or violent behavior in any public place or in or near any lawful assembly of persons, provided that participants in athletic contests may engage in such conduct which is reasonable related to that sport.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 723.4[1])

2. Noise. Make loud and raucous noise in the vicinity of any residence or public building which causes unreasonable distress to the occupants thereof.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 723.4[2])

3. Abusive Language. Direct abusive epithets or make any threatening gesture which the person knows or reasonably should know is likely to provoke a violent reaction by another.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 723.4[3])

4. Disrupt Lawful Assembly. Without lawful authority or color of authority, disturb any lawful assembly or meeting of persons by conduct intended to disrupt the meeting or assembly.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 723.4[4])

5. False Report of Catastrophe. By words or action, initiate or circulate a report or warning of fire, epidemic, or other catastrophe, knowing such report to be false or such warning to be baseless.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 723.4[5])

6. **Disrespect of Flag.** Knowingly and publicly use the flag of the United States in such a manner as to show disrespect for the flag as a symbol of the United States, with the intent or reasonable expectation that such use will provoke or encourage another to commit a public offense.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 723.4[6])

7. **Obstruct Use of Street.** Without authority or justification, obstruct any street, sidewalk, highway, or other public way, with the intent to prevent or hinder its lawful use by others.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 723.4[7])

45.06 RIOT. It shall be unlawful for three (3) or more persons to assemble together in a violent manner, to the disturbance of others, and with any use of unlawful force or violence by them or any of them against another person, or causing property damage. No person shall willingly join in or remain part of a riot, knowing or having reasonable grounds to believe that it is such.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 723.1)

45.07 UNLAWFUL ASSEMBLY. It shall be unlawful for three (3) or more persons to assemble together, with them or any of them acting in a violent manner, and with the intent that they or any of them will commit a public offense. No person shall willingly join in or remain part of an unlawful assembly, knowing or having reasonable grounds to believe that it is such.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 723.2)

45.08 FAILURE TO DISPERSE. A peace officer may order the participants in a riot or unlawful assembly or persons in the immediate vicinity of a riot or unlawful assembly to disperse. No person within hearing distance of such a command shall refuse to obey.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 723.3)

45.09 TERRORISM. No person shall shoot, throw, launch, or discharge a dangerous weapon at or into a building, vehicle, airplane, railroad engine or railroad car, or boat occupied by another person, and thereby place the occupants thereof in reasonable apprehension of serious injury.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 708.6)
