

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

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49.01 DEFACING PUBLIC GROUNDS. It shall be unlawful for a person to cut, break or deface any tree or shrub on public property or on any public way by willfully defacing, cutting, breaking or injuring.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.1, 364.12[2])

49.02 INJURING NEW PAVEMENT. It shall be unlawful for a person to injure new pavement in any street, alley or sidewalk by willfully driving, walking or making marks on such pavement before it is ready for use.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12)

49.03 DESTROYING PARK EQUIPMENT. It shall be unlawful for a person to destroy or injure any property or equipment in public swimming pools, playgrounds or parks by willfully defacing, breaking, damaging, mutilating or cutting.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.12[2])

49.04 DEFACING PROCLAMATION OR NOTICES. It shall be unlawful for a person intentionally to deface, obliterate, tear down, or destroy in whole or in part, any transcript or extract from or of any law of the United States or the State, of any proclamation, advertisement or notification, set up at any place within the City by authority of the law or by order of any court, during the time for which the same is to remain set up.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 716.1)

49.05 INJURY TO FIRE APPARATUS. It shall be unlawful for a person to willfully to destroy or injure any engine, hose, hook and ladder truck, or other thing used and kept for extinguishment of fires.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 716.1)

49.06 DAMAGE TO PUBLIC OR UTILITY PROPERTY. It shall be unlawful for a person to maliciously to injure, remove, or destroy any bridge; or place, or cause to be placed, any obstruction on any such bridge; or willfully obstruct or injure any public road or highway; or maliciously cut, burn or in any way break down, injure, or destroy any post or pole used in connection with any system of electric lighting or telephone system; or break down and destroy or injure and deface any electric light, or telephone instrument; or in any way cut, break, or injure the wires of any apparatus belonging thereto; or to willfully tap, cut, injure, break,

disconnect, connect, make connection with, or destroy any of the wires, mains, pipes, conduits, meters, or other apparatus belonging to, or attached to, the power plant or distributing or collecting systems of any electric light plant, electric motor, gas plant, sewer plant, or water plant; or to aid or abet any other person in so doing.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 716.1)

49.07 PUBLIC BUILDINGS. It shall be unlawful for a person willfully to write, make marks, or draw characters on the walls or any other part of any church, college, academy, schoolhouse, court house, or other public building, or on any furniture, apparatus, or fixture therein; or willfully to injure or deface the same, or any wall or fence enclosing the same.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 716.1)

49.08 OBSTRUCTING DRAINAGE. It shall be unlawful to divert, obstruct, impede, or fill up, without legal authority, any ditch, drain, or watercourse, or to break down any levee lawfully established, constructed or maintained.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 716.1)

49.09 INJURY TO CEMETERY PROPERTY. It shall be unlawful for a person willfully and maliciously to destroy, mutilate, deface, injure or remove any tomb, vault, monument, gravestone or other structure placed in any public or private cemetery or other fences, railing or other work for the protection of ornamentation of said cemetery, or of any tomb, vault, monument or gravestone, or other structure aforesaid, on any cemetery lot within such cemetery, or to willfully and maliciously throw or leave any rubbish, refuse, garbage, waste, litter or foreign substance within the limits of said cemetery, or to drive at an unusual and forbidden speed over avenues or roads in said cemetery, or to drive outside of said avenues and roads, and over the grass or graves of said cemetery.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 716.1)

49.10 CRIMINAL MISCHIEF. Any damage, defacing, alteration, or destruction of tangible property is criminal mischief when done intentionally by one who has no right to so act, and shall be unlawful.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 716.1)

49.11 UNAUTHORIZED ENTRY. No person shall enter any public building or public enclosure unless authorized to do so. Any entry into public buildings and enclosures shall be considered to be unauthorized when said buildings or enclosures are closed and secured against entry and not open to the public. When open to the public, a failure to pay a required admission fee, if any, shall also constitute an unauthorized entry.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 364.1)

49.12 POSSESSION OF TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE. It shall be unlawful for any person to have in that person's possession any official traffic control device except by reason of that person's employment.

(Code of Iowa, Sec. 321.260)