

GARFIELD TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE UPDATE

Section 10: Violations & Penalties

Garfield Township has updated its zoning enforcement ordinance. Authorized officials (including Township staff, Sheriff's Department, and State Police) may issue violations, which can be served in person, by regular or certified mail, or posted on the property with a mailed copy to the owner. Warning letters may allow up to 60 days for correction before a citation is issued. Civil infractions carry fines of \$100 for a first offense, \$250 for a repeat offense, and \$500 for further violations, while misdemeanors may result in up to \$500 fines and/or 90 days in jail. Each day a violation continues counts as a separate offense, and failure to appear in court is also a misdemeanor. The ordinance takes effect 30 days after publication.