2025 CODE AMENDMENTS

Official Code of Cobb County Part I. – Chapter 86

Package I

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Chapter 86 – OFFENSES AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

ARTICLE I. - IN GENERAL

Section 86-2. of the Official Code of Cobb County, Georgia, is amended, to read as follows:

Section 86-2. – Disorderly conduct.

- (a) No person shall remain, loiter or prowl in a place, at a time, or in a manner not usual for law abiding individuals under circumstances that warrant a justifiable and reasonable alarm or immediate concern for the safety of persons or property in the vicinity, after having been ordered to clear such place by the county police.
- (b) No person shall act in a violent or tumultuous manner toward another whereby any other person is placed in fear of safety of his life, limb or health, or whereby the property of another is placed in danger of being destroyed or damaged.
- (c) No person shall endanger the lawful pursuits of another by acts of violence, angry threats or abusive conduct.
- (d) No person shall cause, provoke or engage in any fight, brawl or riotous conduct so as to endanger the life, limb, health or property of another.
- (e) No person shall assemble or congregate with another or others for the purpose if causing, provoking or engaging in any fight or brawl.
- (f) No person shall jostle, roughly crowd or push any person in any public place.
- (g) No person shall use "fighting words," or loud and boisterous language, directed towards another so as to create a breach of the peace potentially dangerous to the safety of persons or property.
- (h) No person shall congregate with another or others, or cause others to congregate, in or on any public way or place so as to halt to impede the flow of vehicular or pedestrian traffic after having been directed to clear such public way or place when ordered by the county police or where signs are place that prohibit such activity.
- (i) No person shall enter upon the land or premises of another, or in or upon any vehicle, boat or aircraft owned by another, after having received notice from the owner, lawful occupier, lessee, tenant or any agent thereof, that entry is forbidden. If requested by the owner, lawful occupier, lessee, tenant or any agent thereof, of the land, premises, vehicle, boat or aircraft, a police officer may give such notice. Upon request, any occupier camping on private property must produce written approval of the owner, lawful occupier, lessee or tenant pursuant to Section 86-12.
- (j) No person shall throw bottles, paper, cans, glass, sticks stones, missiles or any other debris on public or private property.

The Official Code of Cobb County, Georgia, is amended by adding a section numbered 86-12, to read as follows:

Sec. 86-12. - Prohibited use of private property by unauthorized persons.

It shall be unlawful for anyone other than the owner of private property, a leaseholder of such private property, or other rightful occupant of such private property to camp, sleep, reside, store personal property, or lie upon any private property without the owner's or leaseholder's written permission which must be maintained by the requestor for display to law enforcement upon request. Any such use

of private property authorized by and consented to by the owner, leaseholder, or other rightful occupant of such private property shall be in conformity with the provision of the Official Code of Cobb County, Georgia.

The Official Code of Cobb County, Georgia, is amended by adding a section numbered 86-13, to read as follows:

Sec. 86-13. - Building fires and camping in public places prohibited.

No person shall camp, sleep, reside, store personal property, or build, maintain, or use a fire other than in areas and in a manner specifically designed and designated for fire for camping or cooking purposes, in any county owned streets, public squares, public parks, or upon any other public property without written permission issued by the county which must be maintained by the requestor for display to law enforcement upon request. A person seeking such permission shall file an application with a public safety official designated by the county manager on forms provided by such officer. Any such use of public property authorized by and consented to by the county shall be in conformity with the provisions of the Code of Ordinances of Cobb County, Georgia.

Secs. 86-1<u>24</u> – 86-25. – Reserved.