

**TOWN OF STURGEON BAY ORDINANCE**  
**Door County, Wisconsin**  
**ORDINANCE No. 01-2016**  
**An Ordinance Regulating Noxious Weeds and Invasive Species**

The Town Board of the Town of Sturgeon Bay, Door County, Wisconsin, does ordain as follows:

1. **AUTHORITY.** This Ordinance is adopted pursuant to authority granted in Wis. Stats. §66.0407 and Wis. Stats. §60.22(3).
2. **PURPOSE.** This Ordinance codifies the requirement for property owners to destroy noxious and invasive weeds upon their property in The Town of Sturgeon Bay and provides the Town enforcement authority to require such action.

**5.2 Noxious Weeds**

**5.2.010. ADOPTION OF STATUTE.**

Wisconsin Stats. §66.0407 as hereafter amended is adopted by reference.

**5.2.020. NOXIOUS WEEDS DEFINED.**

In addition to those weeds defined by Wis. Stats. §66.0407, as amended, the town specifically includes the following which are defined as noxious weeds: Phragmites, Wild Parsnip, Japanese Knotweed and Common and/or Cut-Leaved Teasel.

**5.2.030. ENFORCEMENT.**

The Town Board or Town Chairman shall enforce this section. If any person fails to comply with the provisions of Wis. Stats. §66.0407, as amended and as adopted by the Town of Sturgeon Bay, the town may, after five (5) days written notice to the owner, cause the premises to be mowed or sprayed and shall report the cost thereof to the Town Clerk. This cost shall be entered on the tax roll as a special charge for services under Wis. Stats. §66.0627.

**5.2.040. PENALTIES**

Any person owning, occupying or controlling land in the Town of Sturgeon Bay who fails to destroy all noxious weeds as required herein shall forfeit not less than \$50 nor more than \$200. Each day that a violation exists is considered a separate violation. In addition, the court may impose upon each person violating this section an assessment for court costs and all costs and fees, including reasonable attorney fees, incurred by the Town in enforcement of this section.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This ordinance shall be effective after the date of its passage and publication as required by law.

Adopted this 1st day of August, 2016.

TOWN BOARD:

By:   
Daniel Cihlar, Town Chairman

Attest:

  
Nancy Anschutz, Town Clerk

Published/Posted: 08-06-2016