

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-27

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1521.99 PENALTY OF CHAPTER 1521 OPEN BURNING OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WICKLIFFE, OHIO

WHEREAS, City Council has made various recommendations relative to the amending of the Penalty section (1521.99) of Chapter 1521 Open Burning, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Wickliffe, Ohio; and

WHEREAS, Council has determined the recommended changes would be in the best interest of the residents of the City of Wickliffe.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WICKLIFFE, COUNTY OF LAKE, STATE OF OHIO:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 1521 Open Burning, Section 1521.99 Penalty is hereby amended to read as follows:

1521.99 PENALTY.

Whoever violates any provision of this chapter is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third degree and shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or imprisoned not more than sixty days, or both.

Prior to receiving a citation under this ordinance, residents may be given a warning for the first and second offenses. This determination will be made based upon Fire Department policy and assessment of the fire, and the cooperation of the resident in extinguishing or otherwise mitigating the fire. If a warning is issued rather than a citation, the resident will be advised of this ordinance and associated penalties for violation.

Fires Which Spread

Fires that spread beyond its immediate confines to any structure, field or wood lot are in violation of Ordinance 1501.07 and shall be referred to the Wickliffe Police Department for Citation under Ordinance 1519.99, a misdemeanor of the first degree for a first offense.

SECTION 2. That it is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in compliance with all legal requirements including Chapter 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Passed: June 23rd, 2025

Attest: [Signature]
Clerk of Council

Submitted to the Mayor for approval on

June 23rd, 2025

First Reading May 19th, 2025

Second Reading June 9th, 2025

Third Reading June 23rd, 2025

[Signature]
Council President – Presiding Officer

Approved: June 23rd, 2025

Mayor

Passed June 23rd, 2025

Yes 7 No 0

I, Sandra J. Fink, Clerk of Council of Wickliffe, Ohio, hereby certify the foregoing is a true copy of Ordinance No. 2025-27 enacted by Council at its regular meeting on June 23, 2025.
Sandra J. Fink, Clerk of Council