

 § 10.99 GENERAL PENALTY.

(A) Whenever in this code or in any ordinance of the county an act is prohibited or is made or declared to be unlawful or an offense or a misdemeanor, or whenever in this code of ordinances the doing of an act is required or the failure to do an act is declared to be unlawful or an offense or a misdemeanor, where no specific penalty is provided therefor, the violation of the provision of this code of ordinances or of any such ordinance shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$500 or by imprisonment for not more than 30 days for each separate violation. Each day any violation of this code or any ordinance shall continue shall constitute a separate offense, unless otherwise specified.

(B) Any act constituting a violation of the provisions within this code of ordinances or a failure to comply with any of its requirements shall also subject the offender to a civil penalty of \$100 for each day the violation continues. If the offender fails to pay this penalty within ten days after being cited for a violation, the penalty may be recovered by the county in a civil action in the nature of debt.

(C) In addition to the provisions of division (A) of this section, any provision of this code or other ordinance of the county may be enforced by any one or more of the remedies authorized by G.S. § 153A-123.

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Statutory reference:

For provisions authorizing counties to punish ordinance violations as misdemeanors, see G.S. § 14-4