

ROADSIDE LITTER AND OPEN DUMPING



Photos taken by Donna Fechter of open dump on Hubble Road in Boyle County 2010

“Illegal dumping is a major problem that raises significant concerns with regard to safety, property values and quality of life in our communities. In addition, it is a major economic burden on local government, which is typically responsible for cleaning up dump sites,” said Gov. Beshear. “However, significant progress has been made in addressing the illegal dump issue, due in large part to a statewide cleanup and an education campaign by local, state and federal agencies.” 11/5/10

Litter and Open Dumping, when untreated, are like a disease on any community. Boyle County Fiscal Court is committed to the health, safety, and economic development of Boyle County for its residents, business and industry through the continued support of Solid Waste Management techniques that work for their elimination. Education, clean-up, and enforcement are tools used and maintained in our Solid Waste Management Plan so future generations will continue to enjoy this beautiful community we live and work in today. - Judge Executive Harold McKinney

KRS 224.01-010 (Kentucky Regulatory Statute) "**Open dump**" is defined as any facility or site for the disposal of solid waste which does not have a valid permit issued by the cabinet or does not meet the environmental performance standards established under regulations promulgated by the cabinet (Kentucky Energy and Environmental Cabinet).

Kentucky Litter Laws:

512.010 DEFINITION

"Litter" means rubbish, refuse, waste material, offal, paper, glass, cans, bottles, trash, debris or any foreign substance of whatever kind or description and whether or not it is of value.

512.070 CRIMINAL LITTERING

Penalty: Class A Misdemeanor ~ Fine up to \$500 or up to one year in jail or both

A person is guilty of criminal littering when he/she:

Drops or permits to drop on a highway any destructive or injurious material and does not immediately remove it; or

Knowingly places or throws litter on any public or private property or in any public or private water without permission; or

Negligently places or throws glass or other dangerous pointed or edged substances on or adjacent to water to which the public has access for swimming or wading or on or within fifty (50) feet of a public highway; or

Discharges sewage, minerals, oil products or litter into any public waters or lakes within the state.

433.753 CRIMINAL LITTERING ON PUBLIC HIGHWAY; REWARD FOR INFORMATION

Penalty: Class A Misdemeanor ~ Fine up to \$500 or up to one year in jail or both

When any paper, waste material, litter or other refuse is thrown or dropped from a motor vehicle, the operator thereof shall be deemed prima facie to be guilty of criminal littering.

It shall be the duty of the Kentucky State Police, county sheriffs and police officers, city police officers, and all other law enforcement and peace officers within their respective jurisdictions, to enforce the criminal littering laws.

Any city or county may offer and pay rewards for the giving of information leading to the arrest and conviction of any person, firm or corporation for commission of the offense of criminal littering.

433.757 LITTERING PUBLIC WATERS REWARD FOR INFORMATION

Penalty: Class A Misdemeanor ~ Fine up to \$500 or up to one year in jail or both

When any litter as defined in KRS 512.010 is thrown or dropped from a motorboat or vessel as defined in KRS 235.010, the operator thereof shall be deemed prima facie to have violated KRS 512.0770.

It shall be the duty of officers of the Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources as provided in KRS 235.010 and KRS Chapter 150 and all other law enforcement and peace officers of the Commonwealth and its political subdivisions to enforce the provisions of KRS 512.070.

Any city or county may offer and pay rewards for the giving of information leading to the arrest and conviction of any person, firm or corporation for a violation of KRS 512.070.

189.754 REMOVAL OF INJURIOUS SUBSTANCE FROM HIGHWAY. Penalty: Fine not less than twenty dollars (\$20) nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100) any person removing a wrecked or damaged vehicle from a highway shall remove any glass or other injurious substance dropped upon the highway from such vehicle.

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LITTERING AND IMPROPERLY SECURED LOADS

Section 5. Waste and Rubbish

Penalty: Class A Misdemeanor ~ Fine up to \$500 or up to one year in jail or both

Littering of the right-of-way of any toll road, interstate highway, or other fully controlled access highway with bottles, cans, paper, garbage, rubbish or other material of any kind or description is prohibited.

Section 7, Part (4). Limitations on Use

Penalty: Fine not less than twenty dollars (\$20) nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100)

Use of toll roads, interstate highways, and other fully controlled access highways by vehicles with improperly secured loads or loaded with animals not properly confined is prohibited at all times.

Report Roadside Litter or Illegal Open Dumping



Call 859-238-1116

(after 5pm, 7 days a week and leave message)

OR

E-mail dfechter@boyleky.com

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Boyle County Department of Solid Waste Management

