

Non-Criminal Disposition Bylaw

Adopted: Annual Town Meeting May 5, 2014

Effective: July 2, 2014

ARTICLE 25:

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following General Bylaw, or take any other action relative thereto:

Non-Criminal Disposition

(a) Scope and Authority

This Bylaw provides for a non-criminal disposition of a violation of any Town Bylaw, the violation of which is subject to a specific penalty. This Bylaw is enacted in accordance with MGL c.40 §21D.

(b) Enforcing Person

“Enforcing Person,” as used in this Bylaw, shall mean any Police Officer of the Town of Sheffield with respect to any offence; the Fire Chief and his/her designee; the Building Inspector and his/her designee; the Public Health Director and his/her designee; the Director of Public Works and his/her designee; the Dog Officer and his/her designee and such other officials as the Board of Selectmen or Bylaw may from time to time designate, each with respect to violations of the Bylaws within their respective jurisdictions. If more than one official has jurisdiction in a given case, any such official may be an enforcing person with respect thereto.

(c) Fines

Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Section, when enforced pursuant to non-criminal disposition procedures of MGL c.40 §21D, the following shall be the fines applicable to the listed offenses, unless otherwise specifically provided by Bylaw.

First Violation: \$100

Second Violation: \$200

Third and Subsequent Violations: \$300

Each day a violation exists shall constitute a separate violation.