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The County, through the Director of the Weld County Department of Public Health and Environment, may enforce this Chapter through methods included in this Chapter, or through other methods adopted by the Board of County Commissioners. (Weld County Code Ordinance 2007-8)

Sec. 7-9-20. Criminal penalties.

A. Any person, firm, corporation or ambulance service violating any provision of this Chapter is guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or by imprisonment in the County Jail for not more than ten (10) days, or by such fine and imprisonment for each offense or violation. Each day during which such violation continues shall be deemed a separate offense.

B. Whenever the Department of Public Health and Environment, through one (1) of its employees, has personal knowledge of any violation of this Chapter, it shall give written notice to the violator to correct such violation within fifteen (15) days after the date of the notice. Should the violator fail to correct the violation within such fifteen-day-period, the Director may request that the Sheriff's Office issue a summons and complaint to the violator, stating the nature of the violation with sufficient particularity to give notice of said charge to the violator. The summons and complaint shall require that the violator appear in court at a definite time and place stated therein to answer and defend the charge. One (1) copy of the summons and complaint shall be served upon the violator by the Sheriff's Office in the manner provided by law for the service of a criminal summons. One (1) copy each shall be retained by the Sheriff's Office and the Director, and one (1) copy shall be transmitted to the Clerk of the Court.

C. It is the responsibility of the County Attorney to enforce the provisions of this Section. In the event the Board of County Commissioners deems it appropriate, the Board of County Commissioners may appoint the District Attorney to perform such enforcement duties in lieu of the County Attorney. (Weld County Code Ordinance 2007-8)

Sec. 7-9-30. Equitable relief in civil action.

In the event that any ambulance service is being operated within the County in violation of any provision of this Chapter, the County Attorney, or where the Board of County Commissioners deems it appropriate, the District Attorney, in addition to the other remedies provided by law, ordinance or resolution, may institute an injunction, mandamus or other appropriate action or proceeding to prevent or enjoin such violation. (Weld County Code Ordinance 2007-8)

Sec. 7-9-40. Civil penalties.

A. In addition to any penalties imposed pursuant to Section 7-9-20 above, any person, firm, corporation or ambulance service violating any regulation or provision contained in this Chapter may be subject to the imposition, by order of the County Court, of a civil penalty in an amount of not less than two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00), nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00). It is within the discretion of the County Attorney to determine whether to pursue the civil penalties set forth in this Article. Each day after the issuance of the order of the County Court during which such violation continues shall be deemed a separate violation and shall, in accordance with the subsequent provisions of this Section, be the subject of a continuing penalty in an amount not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each such day.

B. The Department of Public Health and Environment, through one (1) of its employees, shall, upon personal information and belief that a violation of any regulation or provision of this Chapter has occurred, give written notice to the violator to correct such violation within fifteen (15) days after the date of such notice. If the violator fails to correct the violation within such fifteen-day period or within any extension period granted by the Director, the Director may request that the County Sheriff or the County Attorney issue a summons and complaint to the violator, stating the nature of the violation with sufficient particularity to give notice of such charge to the violator.

C. One (1) copy of the summons and complaint issued pursuant to Subsection B above shall be served upon the violator in the manner provided by law for the service of a County Court civil summons and complaint in accordance with the Colorado Rules of County Court Civil Procedure. The summons and complaint shall also be filed with the Clerk of the County Court, and thereafter the action shall proceed in accordance with the Colorado Rules of County Court Civil Procedure.

D. If the County Court finds, by a preponderance of the evidence, that a violation of any provision of this Chapter, as enacted and adopted by the Board of County Commissioners, has occurred, the Court shall order the violator to pay a civil penalty in an amount allowed pursuant to Subsection A above. Such penalty shall be payable immediately by the violator to the County Treasurer. In the event that the alleged violation has been cured or otherwise removed at least five (5) days prior to the appearance date in the summons, then the County Attorney shall so inform the Court and request that the action be dismissed without fine or appearance of the defendant.

E. Upon the filing with the Court of a receipt issued by the County Treasurer showing payment in full of a civil penalty assessed pursuant to this Section and upon the filing of an affidavit of the Department of Public Health and Environment that the violation has been cured, removed or corrected, the Court shall dismiss the action and issue a satisfaction in full of the judgment.

F. If a receipt showing full payment of the civil penalty or the affidavit required by Subsection E above is not filed, the action shall continue and the Court shall retain jurisdiction to impose an additional penalty against the violator in the amount specified in Subsection A of this Section. Such additional penalty shall be imposed by the Court upon motion filed by the County and proof that the violation has not been corrected. Thereafter, the action shall continue until the penalty and any additional penalties are assessed, and the filing of an affidavit of the Department of Public Health and Environment verifies that the violation has been corrected. (Weld County Code Ordinance 2007-8)