

## Chapter 8.40 Landscaping Equipment

### Sections:

#### 8.40.010 Landscaping Equipment Requirements

A. It is unlawful for any person to use or to operate, or cause to be operated, any leaf-blowing machine or other landscaping equipment identified by future City Council Resolution within a residentially zoned area before 8:00 a.m. and after 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday; before 9:00 a.m. and after 5:00 p.m. on Saturday or at any time on Sunday.

B. It is unlawful for any person to use or to operate, or cause to be operated, any leaf-blowing machine or other landscaping equipment identified by future City Council Resolution within 500 feet of a residentially zoned area before 8:00 a.m. and after 6:00 p.m., Monday through Friday; before 9:00 a.m. and after 5:00 p.m. on Saturday or at any time on Sunday.

C. It is unlawful for any person to use or operate, or cause to be used or operated a leaf blower in such a manner as to blow, dispel, or make airborne leaves, grass cuttings, paper, trash, or any other type of unattached debris or material, which by use of the leaf blower, will intentionally cause such leaves, grass cuttings, paper, trash or any other type of unattached debris or material to become airborne or travel beyond the property boundaries of the parcel on which it is being used, to adjoining properties or public rights-of-way within the city, and to remain there for more than 15 minutes.

D. It is unlawful to operate any leaf-blowing machine or other landscaping equipment identified by future City Council Resolution in violation of Sierra Madre Municipal Code Chapter 9.32 ("NOISE").

E. Commencing September 1, 2024, it is unlawful for any person to operate or authorize the operation of a gas-powered leaf blower or other landscaping equipment identified by future City Council Resolution at any time for any purpose.

Use of any gas-powered landscaping equipment is exempt from this section as follows;

1. When utilized by or at the direction of emergency responders to respond to an emergency or necessary to restore, preserve, protect, or save lives or property from imminent danger of loss or harm.

2. When used to clear downed trees or vegetation in areas needing expedient clearance when necessary to protect public safety, as authorized by the City

#### 8.24.020 Penalties.

A. Violations of this section are subject to Sierra Madre Municipal Code Section 1.18.020 ("ADMINISTRATIVE FINES AND PENALTIES")

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