

THE
REVISED STATUTES
OF THE
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND
PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS:
TO WHICH ARE PREFIXED,
THE CONSTITUTIONS
OF THE
UNITED STATES AND OF THE STATE.



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OF BOWLING-ALLEYS, BILLIARD TABLES AND SHOOTING GAL-
LERIES.

SECTION

1. Bowling-alleys in compact parts of towns except Providence prohibited under penalty.
2. Pistol or rifle gallery in compact part of Newport prohibited; penalty.
3. Town council to define limits.
4. Penalty for neglect to comply with orders of town councils.

SECTION

5. Owner of premises deemed keeper of bowling-alley or billiard table.
6. Regulations relating to bowling-alleys in Providence.
7. Town councils to collect tax for keeping bowling-alleys, &c.
8. Tax, of whom to be collected.
9. How collected and appropriated.

SECTION 1. Any person who shall keep any bowling-alley, in the compact part of any town, except the city of Providence, shall be fined two hundred dollars for the first offence, and five hundred dollars for the second offence.

SEC. 2. Any person who shall keep any pistol gallery, rifle gallery, or other building or inclosure where fire-arms are used for practising in firing with ball or shot, in the compact part of the city of Newport, shall be fined two hundred dollars for the first offence, and five hundred dollars for each subsequent offence.

SEC. 3. The town council of each town shall define the limits of the compact part of such town; which limits shall be taken and deemed to comprehend the compact part of such town within the meaning of this chapter.

SEC. 4. The keeper of any bowling-alley or billiard table who shall refuse or neglect to comply with any order or decree relating thereto which any town council shall be authorized to make, shall be fined fifty dollars.

SEC. 5. The owner or occupier of the premises on which any bowling-alley or billiard table is situated, shall be deemed and taken as the keeper of such bowling-alley or billiard table within the meaning of the provisions of this chapter.

SEC. 6. The board of aldermen of the city of Providence may regulate bowling-alleys in said city, and make orders as to the manner of building the same, and the hours during which they may be used; and in case of any such order being disobeyed, they may issue their warrant directed to the city sergeant or to any constable, commanding him to take up and destroy any bowling-alley which may be kept in violation of any such order; and it shall be the duty of any city sergeant or constable to whom any such warrant may be delivered, forthwith to execute the same.

SEC. 7. The town council of each town shall assess, levy and collect a tax, not exceeding two hundred dollars, nor less than twenty-five dollars, per annum, on any person who shall own or keep a billiard table for public use and profit in such town for each billiard table by him kept; and a tax not exceeding twenty-five

dollars, nor less than five dollars, per annum, on any person who shall own or keep a bowling-alley in such town except in the city of Providence, for each bowling-alley by him kept: and a tax not exceeding two hundred dollars per annum on any person who shall own or keep a bowling-alley in said city of Providence for each bowling-alley by him kept, and a tax not exceeding two hundred dollars per annum on any person who shall own or keep a pistol gallery, rifle gallery, or other building or inclosure referred to in the second section hereof.

SEC. 8. The town council may assess, levy and collect the tax aforesaid, for any billiard table or bowling-alley, on any person who shall own or occupy the house or building in which such billiard table or bowling-alley shall be kept.

SEC. 9. Such taxes shall be collected in the manner prescribed for the collection of town taxes, and appropriated, the one half thereof to the use of the town in which such tax shall be collected, and the other half to the use of the state.

CHAPTER 81.

OF FIRE-ARMS AND FIRE-WORKS.

SECTION

1. Firing of rifle, gun, &c., across road, street or lane prohibited.
2. Making bonfire in such places without permission.
3. Person discharging fire-arms on Sunday on land of another to be fined.
4. Penalty for the discharge of fire-arms within certain limits.

SECTION

5. Selling or using fire-works without license, prohibited.
6. Penalty for discharging fire-arms between sunset and sunrise.
7. Complaints, within what time to be made.

SECTION 1. If any person shall fire any rifle, gun, musket, blunderbuss or pistol, in or across any road, street, square or lane, he shall be fined not less than three dollars nor more than twenty dollars.

SEC. 2. If any person shall make a bonfire in any public street, road, square or lane, without special permission from the town council of the town in which the same shall be made, he shall be fined not exceeding ten dollars.

SEC. 3. If any person shall fire any rifle, musket, fowling-piece, pistol or other small arms, not being under military duty at the time, within the limits of any town in the state on the first day of the week, except upon land owned or occupied by him, or by permission of the owner or occupant of the land on and into which he may shoot, he shall be fined not exceeding ten dollars, or be imprisoned not exceeding ten days.

SEC. 4. If any person shall fire any rifle, musket, fowling-piece,