

ARTICLE 1718

Security Gates, Grilles and Solid Shutters
On Storefronts/Businesses

- 1718.01 Security gates, grilles and shutters on storefronts, office buildings and other buildings and/or structures used for commercial purposes.
- 1718.99 Penalty.

CROSS REFERENCES

1718.01 SECURITY GATES, GRILLES AND SHUTTERS ON STOREFRONTS, OFFICE BUILDINGS AND OTHER BUILDINGS AND/OR STRUCTURES USED FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES.

- (a) Security devices involving gates, grilles or solid shutters designed to limit or block access to the front or sides of storefronts, office buildings or of buildings or structures used for commercial purposes, are prohibited throughout the City of Bethlehem.
- (b) All security devices involving gates, grilles or solid shutters lawfully in existence on the effective date of this ordinance, shall be maintained in good repair, painted a uniform color and be free from graffiti. Any security device involving gates, grilles or solid shutters exhibiting substantial conditions of deterioration including either rusted finishes, peeling paint, accumulated grime, graffiti, bent, broken or distorted surfaces, if not repaired within ten (10) days after written notice from the City, shall be considered beyond repair, and shall be removed by the owner of the property at his or her own expense upon direction by the City. For purposes of this section, "substantial conditions" shall be considered to be twenty (20%) percent or more of the surface material of the security gate, grille or solid shutter.
- (c) Nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to prohibit the usage of security gates, grilles or solid shutters in the interior spaces of any shopping mall, storefronts, office buildings or of buildings or

structures used for commercial purposes provided that said security gates, grilles or solid shutters are not visible from the exterior of said premises.

1718.02 PENALTY

Any person who violates any provision of this Article shall be subject to the following penalties:

(a) First violation - A fine of \$200.00, or thirty days imprisonment, or both;

(b) Second violation - A fine of \$500.00, or sixty days imprisonment, or both;

(c) Third and each subsequent violation - A fine of \$1,000.00, or ninety days imprisonment, or both.

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