open on the estate upon which such place of business is located, including the sidewalk immediately adjacent to such business, except in a receptacle from which such rubbish, litter or refuse is not likely to be blown onto such street.

(b) Every business establishment licensed by the board of health as a "retail food store" or as a "food services establishment" as those terms are defined by department of public health regulation 105 CMR 590.001 and which provides private off-street parking for its customers shall provide one or more trash barrels to be located and properly secured outside such establishment at all times. The required number and size of said barrels and the frequency at which the barrels must be emptied shall be determined by the board of health. In no event shall said barrels be emptied less frequently than once a day.

(c) Whoever violates any of the provisions of this section shall be fined in accordance with section 1-11.
(Ord. No. 1990-16, 12-13-90; Ord. No. 1996-2, 3-28-96; Ord. No. 2005-11, § 15, 7-14-2005)

    Editor's note—Ord. No. 1990-16, adopted Dec. 13, 1990, did not specifically amend this Code; hence, inclusion as § 9-55 was at the discretion of the editor.

    Cross reference—Streets, sidewalks and other public places, Ch. 12.

Sec. 9-56. Vegetation and wood on private property.

(a) No person in control of any property abutting a sidewalk or public right-of-way shall allow to remain uncut any overgrowth of grass, shrubs, and weeds growing in or around such sidewalk or public right-of-way.

(b) All persons in control of property shall maintain such property free of vegetation that is infested with rodents, vermin, other dangerous insects or other animals, conceals pools of stagnant water conducive to the breeding of mosquitoes, or creates a fire hazard.

(c) No person in control of property shall store, place, or permit to be stored or placed any wood out of doors in a manner which may reasonably provide rodents or other animals with harboring places.

(d) No person in control of any property shall allow to remain any decayed, dead, or hazardous trees or tree limbs potentially injurious to the public health and safety or property.

(e) Whoever violates any of the provisions of this section shall be fined in accordance with section 1-11. Each day that a violation exists shall be considered a separate offense.
(Ord. No. 1990-18, 12-13-90; Ord. No. 2005-11, § 16, 7-14-2005; Ord. No. 2011-03, § 1, 3-10-2011)

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    Cross reference—Streets, sidewalks and other public places, Ch. 12.

Sec. 9-57. Repairing and storing motor vehicles on public and private property.

(a) *Repairing automobiles on public property.* No person shall repair, restore or maintain any vehicle on any street or on any public property.

(b) *Unregistered motor vehicles on private property.* No person, firm, or corporation shall store, place or permit to be stored or placed, any unregistered motor vehicle on private property located in the city for more than 90 days. No more than one unregistered motor vehicle may be stored, placed, or permitted to be stored or placed at any time. This ordinance shall not apply to the storage of motor vehicles within an enclosed building or to a person licensed under G. L. c. 140, s. 59.

(c) *Inoperable motor vehicles.* No person, firm or corporation shall store, place, or permit to be stored or placed, any inoperable motor vehicle on private property located within the City of Somerville. For purposes of this article, "inoperable motor vehicle" means any motor vehicle which, for a period of at least seven days, is incapable of being driven under its own motor power, including, but not limited, to where the engine, wheels, windshields, or other parts have been removed, or on which the engine, wheels or other parts have been altered, damaged, or otherwise so treated, but shall not include: 1) Any motor vehicle that is kept within a building when not in use; 2) A motor vehicle on the premises of a place of business licensed under G. L. c. 140, s. 59.

Miscellaneous Provisions