

§3305. Penalties; removal; abandonment

1. Penalties. Except as provided in subsection 2, a person who violates section 3302 commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than \$100 and not more than \$500 may be adjudged for each day of that violation, and the person may be ordered to pay restitution to the primary enforcement authority for costs incurred in investigating the violation and enforcing the provisions of this chapter.

[PL 2025, c. 378, §12 (NEW).]

2. Repeat violations. A person who violates section 3302 after having been adjudicated as having committed 3 or more civil violations under section 3302 within the previous 5-year period commits a Class E crime. In addition to any penalties that may be imposed by law for each day of that violation, the person may be ordered to pay restitution to the primary enforcement authority for costs incurred in investigating the violation and enforcing the provisions of this chapter.

[PL 2025, c. 378, §12 (NEW).]

3. Removal of structures. A person who violates section 3302 shall remove the violating nonwater-dependent floating structure from the internal waters that the structure was placed or used in, on or over and is responsible for all costs associated with the removal and the costs of any damage to persons or property caused by the structure's placement or use.

[PL 2025, c. 378, §12 (NEW).]

4. Abandoned structures. An abandoned nonwater-dependent floating structure may be removed, possessed, sold, destroyed or otherwise disposed of by the State, a municipality or other primary enforcement authority. The authority provided under this subsection does not affect the authority granted under Title 12, section 1866 related to the removal of an abandoned watercraft pursuant to that section.

[PL 2025, c. 378, §12 (NEW).]

SECTION HISTORY

PL 2025, c. 378, §12 (NEW).

The State of Maine claims a copyright in its codified statutes. If you intend to republish this material, we require that you include the following disclaimer in your publication:

All copyrights and other rights to statutory text are reserved by the State of Maine. The text included in this publication reflects changes made through the First Special Session of the 132nd Maine Legislature and is current through October 1, 2025. The text is subject to change without notice. It is a version that has not been officially certified by the Secretary of State. Refer to the Maine Revised Statutes Annotated and supplements for certified text.

The Office of the Revisor of Statutes also requests that you send us one copy of any statutory publication you may produce. Our goal is not to restrict publishing activity, but to keep track of who is publishing what, to identify any needless duplication and to preserve the State's copyright rights.

PLEASE NOTE: The Revisor's Office cannot perform research for or provide legal advice or interpretation of Maine law to the public. If you need legal assistance, please contact a qualified attorney.