

December 22, 2017

LOCAL LAW NO. OF THE YEAR 2018  
CREATING SECTIONS 88-11, 12, 13, 14, AND 15  
OF THE GREENPORT VILLAGE CODE  
REGulating THE USE OF LEAF BLOWERS

BE IT ENACTED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE  
INCORPORATED VILLAGE OF GREENPORT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1.0 Enactment, Effective Date,  
Purpose and Definitions.

1.1 Title of Local Law

1.2 Enactment.

1.3 Effective Date.

1.4 Purpose and Intent of Local Law.

2.0 General Provisions

2.1 Creation of Sections 88-11, 12, 13, 14, and 15.

3.0 Severability

1.1 Title.

This Local Law shall be entitled “Local Law of 2018 Creating Sections 88-11,  
12, 13, 14, and 15 of the Greenport Village Code to Add Regulations Regarding Leaf  
Blowers”.

1.2. Enactment.

Pursuant to Section 10 of the Home Rule Law and the Village Law of the State  
of New York, the Incorporated Village of Greenport, County of Suffolk and State of  
New York, hereby enacts by this Local Law of 2018, a Local Law of the Village of  
Greenport.

1.3. Effective Date.

This Local Law shall take effect on the filing of the approved Local Law with the Secretary of State of New York, which shall be with in twenty (20) days after its approval by the Board of Trustees of the Incorporated Village of Greenport.

1.4 Purpose and Intent of Local Law.

The purpose and intent of this Local Law is to reduce offensive noise in the Village of Greenport by regulating the use of leaf blowers.

2.0 General Provisions.

2.1 Sections 88-11, 12, 13, 14, and 15 of the Greenport Village Code are hereby created to read as follows:

§ 88-11 Purpose and intent.

The Village of Greenport hereby finds that unlimited use of lawn maintenance equipment powered by internal-combustion engines, particularly so called "leaf blowers," impairs the economic and social welfare, health, peace and quality of life of persons residing in the Village of Greenport. The purpose of this Article is to minimize the adverse impact of such equipment and yet permit its use within the Village. The provisions of this article shall be liberally construed for the accomplishment of that purpose.

§ 88-12 Hours of use.

Leaf blowers powered by internal-combustion engines shall not be operated in the Village of Greenport, except at the following times:

- A. On weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.
- B. On Saturdays between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.
- C. On Sundays and holidays between 12:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.

§ 88-13 Further limitation on seasonal use of leaf blowers.

The operation of leaf blowers shall be limited to the time period between March 15 and April 30, inclusive, and October 15 and December 15, inclusive, of each calendar year.

§ 88-14 Enforcement.

This article shall be enforced against the owner of the property on which the leaf blower is being used and/or the operator of the leaf blower.

§ 88-15 Emergency situations.

The Mayor or the Village Administrator is authorized to suspend any one or more of the provisions of this Article V for a period of 24 hours whenever the Mayor or the Village Administrator determines that an emergency situation exists in the Village. Such suspension may be renewed each day during the continuance of such emergency.