

**TOWN OF WORCESTER**  
**Local Law No. 2 of the year 2006**  
**Town of Worcester, New York**  
**A Local Law Regulating Loitering**

**Be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Worcester as follows:**

**SECTION 1 - PURPOSE**

The Town of Worcester recognizes that loitering in public places must be adequately controlled so as to prevent public disorder, nuisances, littering and other acts and conditions detrimental to the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the town, and this article is intended to provide such control and regulation.

**SECTION 2 – DEFINITIONS**

As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

**LOITER** — Encompasses one or more of the following acts committed on public, quasi-public or on private property being regulated by the Town of Worcester:

- A. Obstruction of the free, unhampered passage of pedestrians, bicycles or motorized vehicles.
- B. Obstruction, molesting or interfering with any person lawfully upon such property.
- C. Causing inconvenience, annoyance or alarm or creating the risk thereof to any person.
- D. Refusing to leave such property when so requested by a peace officer or other officer having the power of arrest.

**QUASI-PUBLIC PROPERTY** — Includes the area in front of or adjacent to any store, shop, restaurant, luncheonette, bar or other place of business and shall also include any parking lots adjacent thereto.

**SECTION 3 – PROHIBITED ACTS**

A. No person shall loiter in or around public buildings or obstruct corridors, stairways or doorways so as to prevent free access by members of the public, officers or employees. No person shall by his presence or by means either alone or in consort with others interfere with or interrupt the conduct of business in the offices located in any such buildings.

B. No person shall loiter in or upon any public sidewalk, street, public building or place or obstruct the use thereof so as to prevent free and reasonable access by other members of the public or prevent the exercise of duties by public officers or employees.

**SECTION 4 – PENALTIES**

Any person violating any provision of this chapter shall be fined not less than \$25 nor more than \$500, or up to 15 days imprisonment, or both such fine and imprisonment.