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§1–1204.

(a) (1) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, a county health officer or a designee of a county health officer may issue a civil citation to a person who violates this subtitle.

(2) In Cecil County, only a sworn law enforcement officer may issue a civil citation to a person who violates this subtitle.

(b) A citation issued under this subtitle shall include:

(1) the name and address of the person charged;

(2) the nature of the violation;

(3) the location and time of the violation;

(4) the amount of the civil penalty;

(5) the manner, location, and time in which the civil penalty may be paid;

(6) the cited person's right to elect to stand trial for the violation; and

(7) a warning that failure to pay the civil penalty or to contest liability in a timely manner in accordance with the citation:

(i) is an admission of liability; and

(ii) may result in an entry of a default judgment that may include the civil penalty, court costs, and administrative expenses.

(c) The county health officer or sworn law enforcement officer shall retain a copy of the citation.

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