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Legal specification

Regulation on the management of Garden houses

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The Swiss Federal Council, given art. 76 al. 3, and art. 177 of the Land act of 29 April 1998 (LAT) 1 orders:

Section 1 Definition

Art. 1

- 1 Denote by garden house any permanent or removable building located in or adjacent to a parcel of land for vegetable garden or flower garden, and whose function is to store tools, machinery, pesticides, furniture or other objects intended for use or maintenance of this plot.
- 2 The definition does not apply to buildings intended to house people (residential) or vehicles (garages).

Section 2 Guidelines

Art. 2 Obligation to declare

- 1 Any garden house must be reported by the owner to the local authority of the municipality where it is located.
- 2 The declaration includes at least a precise indication of the location, floor area, type of construction and conditions of liability insurance and fire of the garden house. The municipality may require additional information.
- 3 The declaration must be made within 3 months after the garden house is first used.

Art. 3 Sanctions

- 1 The owner of a garden house which eludes the obligation to report is punishable by fine.

Art. 4 Control

- 1 The implementation of this Regulation is the responsibility of the municipal authorities, subject to specific cantonal provisions.
- 2 The authority in charge of the implementation of this regulation controls compliance and rules on administrative sanctions in case of necessity.
- 3 The use of data as defined in Art. 2 al. 2 is intended solely for the implementation of this Regulation.

Section 3 Transitional Provisions

Art. 5 Existing garden houses

The garden houses built before the implementation of this regulation are subject to the directives of Art. 2-4 from the date of its entry into force.

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