

CHAPTER 3

DEFINITIONS

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1-3-1: **CONSTRUCTION OF WORDS:**

- A. Rules Of Construction: Whenever any word in any section of this county code importing the plural number is used in describing or referring to any matters, parties or persons, any single matter, party or person shall be deemed to be included, although distributive words may not have been used. When any subject matter, party or person is referred to in this county code by words importing the singular number only, or a particular gender, several matters, parties or persons and the opposite gender and bodies corporate shall be deemed to be included; provided, that these rules of construction shall not be applied to any section of this county code which contains any express provision excluding such construction or where the subject matter or context may be repugnant thereto.
- B. Use Of "Ordinance": The word "ordinance" contained in the ordinances of the county has been changed in the content of this county code to "title", "chapter", "section" and/or "subsection" or words of like import for organizational and clarification purposes only. Such change to the county's ordinances is not meant to amend passage and effective dates of such original ordinances. (2003 Code)

1-3-2: **DEFINITIONS:** Whenever the following words or terms are used in this code, they shall have such meanings herein ascribed to them unless the context makes such meaning repugnant thereto:

AGENT: A person acting on behalf of another with authority conferred, either expressly or by implication.

BOARD: The board of county commissioners of Cassia County, Idaho.

CODE: The County code of Cassia County.

COMMISSIONERS: The board of county commissioners, Cassia County, Idaho.

COUNTY: The county of Cassia, state of Idaho.

COUNTY CLERK: The clerk of the district court, ex officio auditor, recorder, and clerk to the board of county commissioners.

EMPLOYEES: Whenever reference is made in this code to a county employee by title only, this shall be construed as though followed by the words "of Cassia County".

GENDER: A word importing either the masculine or feminine gender only shall extend and be applied to the other gender and to persons.

LICENSE: The permission granted for the carrying on of a business, profession or occupation.

NUISANCE: Anything offensive to the sensibilities of reasonable persons, or any act or activity creating a hazard which threatens the health and welfare of inhabitants of the county, or any activity which by its perpetuation can reasonably be said to have a detrimental effect on the property of a person or persons within the community.

OCCUPANT: As applied to a building or land, shall include any person who occupies the whole or any part of such building or land whether alone or with others.

- OFFENSE: Any act forbidden by any provision of this code or the omission of any act required by the provisions of this code.
- OFFICERS: Whenever reference is made in this code to a county officer by title only, this shall be construed as though followed by the words "of Cassia County".
- OPERATOR: The person who is in charge of any operation, business or profession.
- OWNER: As applied to a building or land, shall include any part owner, joint owner, tenant in common, joint tenant or lessee of the whole or of a part of such building or land.
- PERSON: Any public or private corporation, firm, partnership, association, organization, government or any other group acting as a unit, as well as a natural person.
- PERSONAL PROPERTY: Shall include every description of money, goods, chattels, effects, evidence of rights in action and all written instruments by which any pecuniary obligation, right or title to property is created, acknowledged, transferred, increased, defeated, discharged or diminished and every right or interest therein.
- STREET: Shall include alleys, lanes, courts, boulevards, public ways, public squares, public places and sidewalks.
- TENANT: As applied to a building or land, shall include any person who occupies the whole or any part of such building or land, whether alone or with others.
- WRITTEN, IN WRITING: May include printing and any other mode of representing words and letters, but when the written signature of any person is required by law to any official or public writing or bond, it shall be in the proper handwriting of such person, or in case such person is unable to write, by his proper mark. (2003 Code)

1-3-3: **CATCHLINES:** The catchlines of the several sections of the county code are intended as mere catchwords to indicate the content of the section and shall not be deemed or taken to be titles of such sections, nor be deemed to govern, limit, modify or in any manner affect the scope, meaning or intent of the provisions of any division or section hereof, nor unless expressly so provided shall they be so deemed when any of such sections, including the catchlines, are amended or reenacted. (2003 Code)