

### Article 3      Junk

#### Sec. 19-61.    Legislative findings.

It is hereby determined that there exists on privately owned parcels of land within the township accumulations of junk, junk cars and/or garbage and such accumulation of junk, junk cars and/or garbage constitute a hazard to the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of the township for the reasons that they provide a habitat conducive to breeding and nesting of rats, mice and other vermin and also that they contain objects with sharp edges and other hazards which could injure small children who would be attracted to play thereon without appreciating the danger thereof, and that the regulations contained in this article are the minimum regulations required to eliminate the foregoing undesirable conditions and protect the public health, safety and welfare.

(Or d. No. 54, -§ I, 9-28-89)

#### Sec. 19-62.    Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Garbage means any accumulation of trash, refuse or litter, specifically including, but not limited to, containers once containing edible, drinkable or usable materials, as well as dead animals (or parts thereof) and discarded edible or drinkable items.

Junk means any unused or unusable building materials, furniture, machinery, appliances, or parts thereof, including junk motor vehicles.

Junk motor vehicle means any motor vehicle which is in such condition of disrepair that it shall not be legally operable upon public roads of this state or which is unlicensed for a period of six (6) months or longer after the last days of licensing of motor vehicles in the state.

~~Recreational vehicle means any vehicle which is not an automobile, truck, or other device primarily used for transport on public highways, including but not limited to, boats, motorhomes, travel trailers, recreational vehicle trailers, campers, truck toppers, ATVs, snowmobiles, jet skis, motorcycles, motor bikes, and motorized carts.~~

Rubbish means wastepaper, tinware, or aluminum ware, tin or aluminum cans, tin or aluminum cuttings, boxes, glass, straw, shavings, barrels, lumber, paper cartons, brush, lawn cuttings and hedge trimmings.

(Ord. No. 54, § II, 9-28-89)

Sec. 19-63. Storage of junk.

No owner, occupant or possessor of land within the township shall keep or permit to be kept, at any time, on such parcel any accumulation of junk, unless the same is within a completely enclosed building.

(Ord. No. 54, § III(A), 9-28-89; Ord. No. 54-B, 2-25-93; Ord. No. 54-D, 1-13-94)

Sec. 19-64. Storage of rubbish and garbage.

No owner, occupant or possessor of land in the township shall keep or permit to be kept at any time on such parcel any rubbish or garbage unless the same is kept within a closely covered can or other metal, plastic or rubber container designed for same and sufficient to prevent entry of rats, mice or other vermin.

(Ord. No. 54, § III, 9-28-89)

Sec. 19-65. Storage of junk motor vehicles (automobiles) restricted.

(A) Except as provided below, no junk motor vehicle (automobile) shall be kept for any period of thirty (30) days or longer upon any premises within the township, which premises are not a licensed junk yard of which premises are not a public motor vehicle repair garage regularly used and occupied, as a legal commercial public motor vehicle repair garage.

(B) This section shall not prohibit the keeping of farm tractors or other motorized farm equipment upon any farm on which such tractor or farm equipment is regularly used for farming operations nor shall it prohibit the keeping of motorized construction equipment upon commercial premises legally devoted to such construction business if such construction equipment is regularly used or in a usable condition.

~~(C) No owner, occupant or possessor of land within the Township shall keep or permit to be kept at any time on such land, any recreational vehicle unless the recreational vehicle is properly stored, as provided in this ordinance. In addition, a recreational vehicle may be kept in the rear yard (as defined in Sec. 36-200 of the Charter Township of Flushing Zoning Ordinance) and only in the rear yard if the frontage of the property is less than 125 feet. If the frontage of the property is equal to or more than 125 feet, the recreational vehicle may be kept in the rear yard or the side yard as defined in the zoning ordinance. A recreational vehicle may be kept on a driveway for a period of appropriate seasonal use, provided, as located on the driveway, the recreational vehicle is a minimum of one hundred (100) feet from any window or door of any residence adjoining or across the street from the property where the vehicle is kept. Any violation of Section 19-65 (C), as amended, shall be a misdemeanor punishable by fine not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) and/or imprisonment not to exceed 90 days.~~

(~~CD~~) The owner, occupant or possessor of land within the township may keep and store no more than four (4) junk motor vehicles (automobiles) upon the following conditions:

1. The owner, occupant or possessor of the land on which the junk vehicles (automobiles) are stored intends to repair or restore same or to use all or part of the stored junk vehicles (automobiles) in the repair or restoration of other vehicles (automobiles).

2. The issuance of a permit by the township police department setting forth that the junk vehicles (automobiles), as described in the permit, may be stored within an area enclosed by a six-foot high privacy fence, which prevents the junk motor vehicles (automobiles) from being visible outside the storage area.

Note-Fence construction requires permit from the building department.

3. The storage area shall consist of an area no larger than eight hundred (800) square feet, located in the back yard of the premises and located a minimum of twenty-five (25) feet from the back lot line and each side lot line of the premises.

4. Requests for a permit shall be submitted annually in writing to the police department and shall include the applicant's name, address and telephone number, and proof of ownership; a description of the junk motor vehicles (automobiles) to be stored including VIN number; the address of the premises where the junk motor vehicles are to be stored and a diagram of the specific area on the premises where the junk motor vehicles are to be stored; and a statement as to the intended final disposition of each junk motor vehicle. A non-refundable application fee established by the Township Board shall be paid to the township police department when the application is submitted. Fees shall be payable to the Township or its authorized agent. A schedule of fees as approved by the Township Board shall be maintained on file at the Township offices.

5. Upon receipt of the application, the township police department shall review the application and inspect the premises and storage area and, if the police department finds the junk motor vehicles to be stored within the proposed storage area will not be visible from the outside of the storage area and that the storage of the junk motor vehicles will not pose a threat to the public health, safety and welfare, the township police department may issue a permit. The permit shall be good for a period of one (1) year. The permit may be renewed at the discretion of the police chief, but only, if reasonable progress toward the repair or restoration of the junk motor vehicles was made during the period of the prior permit.

(Ord. No. 54, § IV; 9-28-89; Ord. No. 54-D, 1-13-94)

Sec. 19-66. Abandoned vehicles.

| Per mtg 5-12-25

Abandoned vehicles are covered under state law, MCL 257.252a, MSA 9.1952(1).

(Ord. No. 54-A, 11-9-89)

Sec. 19-67. Violation.

A violation of Sec. 19-61 through Sec. 19-66 of the Code shall be a township civil infraction.

(Ord. No. 61-3-94, § 7, 10-27-94)

Sec. 36-200. Definitions.

~~Recreational vehicle means a vehicular type unit primarily designed as temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, or travel use, which either has its own motive power or is mounted on or drawn by another vehicle. The basic entities are: travel trailer, camping trailer, truck camper and motor home.~~

Recreational vehicle means any vehicle designed to be used primarily for recreational purposes to move one or more persons over the ground, air, water, ice or snow, and which is either self-propelled or connects to a vehicle which is self-propelled, including, but not limited to, house trailers, recreational trailers, trailer coaches, campers, fifth wheels, pickup campers, motor homes, folding tent trailers, boats and boat trailers, golf carts, all-terrain vehicles, off-road recreational vehicles, aircraft; provided, however, that any such vehicle or unit which is 40 feet or more in overall length and connected to water or sewer facilities shall be considered a mobile home and shall be subject to all regulations of all ordinances applicable to a mobile home.

Recreational vehicle park or campground means a tract of land upon which two (2) or more recreational vehicle sites or campsites are located, established or maintained for occupancy by recreational vehicles or vacation campers of the general public as temporary living quarters for recreation or vacation purposes.

Recreational vehicle site or campground site means a plot of ground within a recreational park or campground, or other individual camping area for use on a temporary basis.

Sec. 36-319. Temporary Travel Trailer or Recreational Vehicle Parking

- (A) No person shall park, or cause to be parked, any travel trailer or other recreational vehicle over forty-eight (48) hours on any street, alley, highway or other public place or any site, lot, field or tract of land not specifically licensed as a travel trailer or recreational vehicle park without a Temporary Trailer Special Use Permit as outlined in Sec. 36-1803(C).
- (B) No travel trailer or other recreational vehicle shall at any time be parked between the established setback line and the curb line on any lot.
- (C) No travel trailer or other recreational vehicle shall be used or occupied unless there is a clear unoccupied space of at least ten (10) feet on all sides thereof.
- (D) No person shall park, or permit the parking on, any occupied travel trailer or other recreational vehicle, or use, occupy or permit the use or occupancy of any travel trailer or other recreational vehicle on any site, lot, field or tract of land not specifically licensed as a travel trailer or recreational vehicle park, except as otherwise provided in this chapter.
- (E) No person shall remove or cause to be removed the wheels or tires from any occupied travel trailer or other recreational vehicle, except for the purpose of repair, nor shall any person elevate, block, or stabilize any trailer or vehicle other than with jacks designed, provided, and intended for that purpose. No parked travel trailer or other recreational vehicle shall be occupied for sleeping purposes by a greater number of persons in any one (1) twenty-four-hour period than such vehicle is designed and arranged to accommodate at one (1) time.
- (F) No person shall spill or drain any waste water or liquid waste of any kind upon the surface of the ground or upon any paved area.
- (G) The ~~authorized township building inspector official~~ shall have the authority to enter at any reasonable time any premises upon which a travel trailer or other recreational vehicle is parked, used, or occupied for the purpose of ascertaining that the owner, operator, or occupant thereof is complying with all the statutes, ordinances, and rules and regulations governing the same.
- (H) No permanent or movable accessory walled structure shall be attached to any trailer; and no trailer shall be parked in front on the setback line established by this ordinance.
- (I) For those travel trailers and other recreational vehicles shall have properly designed and approved self-contained waste disposal and/or containment facilities, or shall have access to and unlimited use of the sanitary facilities of the dwelling located on the same zoning lot.

(J) No owner, occupant or possessor of land within the Township shall keep or permit to be kept at any time on such land, any recreational vehicle unless the recreational vehicle is properly stored, as provided in this ordinance.

1. A recreational vehicle may be kept on a driveway provided the recreational vehicle is a minimum of one hundred (100) feet from any window or door of any residence adjoining or across the street from the property where the vehicle is kept.
2. A recreational vehicle may be kept in the rear yard if the frontage of the property is less than 125 feet.
3. If the frontage of the property is equal to or more than 125 feet, the recreational vehicle may be kept in the rear yard or the side yard as defined in the zoning ordinance.
4. A recreational vehicle may not be parked in the required front yard setback.
5. A parcel shall be limited to having one RV parked in the driveway at a time.
6. While on the driveway, the recreational vehicle must be operable and display a current license plate or appropriate registration.
7. Any cover placed on a recreational vehicle must be free of rips or tears and securely fastened at all times.

Sec. 36-413. Storage in Front Yard

Nothing in this chapter shall permit the storage or parking of any vehicle or non permanent structure within the required front yard of any lot within a residential district, except that the parking of an operable passenger vehicle on a driveway located on private property shall not be prohibited.