

**TOWN OF GARFIELD
ORDINANCE NO. 1-2008
PARKING RESTRICTION ORDINANCE**

A. PURPOSE. The purpose of the ordinance is to promote the public safety, welfare and convenience by easing congestion on the highways within the Town by restricting parking on the public roads within the Town of Garfield. The provisions of Wisconsin Statutes §§346.50 to 346.56, and amendments thereto, are adopted by reference.

B. EXCEPTIONS. The provisions of this article shall not apply in the following situations:

1. When it is necessary to stop a vehicle because the vehicle becomes disabled while on the highway in such a manner or to such an extent that it is impossible to avoid stopping or temporarily leaving the vehicle in a prohibited place.
2. In an emergency or in compliance with directions of a law enforcement officer or other public safety official.
3. When a vehicle of a public utility is stopped in accordance with the provisions of 346.50(1)(c).

C. PARKING AND STANDING PROHIBITED. Parking or standing of vehicles is prohibited at all times in the following locations:

1. Any area designated as a fire lane on either public or private property.
2. Any area designated as a handicapped parking zone on either public or private property, except by vehicle with handicapped designation.
3. Any area designated as a school bus parking zone or no parking zone on school property between the hours of 7:30 am and 4:30 pm during school days.
4. The following town roads: Sunrise Beach Drive as posted, Sunrise Beach Public Access as posted, Walleye Court, Wapogasset Lake Park service road.
5. Any area designated as No Parking by signs posted or by a curb painted yellow.

D. TEMPORARY NO PARKING ZONES. It may be necessary for authorized personnel of the Town of Garfield to establish a temporary no parking zone due to construction, special events, or emergencies, or for public safety purposes. A reasonable effort will be made to place signs in advance of the situation to notify the public; however in the event of a public safety emergency, parked vehicles may be moved or removed from public roads pursuant to Section F below.

E. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

1. No vehicle which is mechanically inoperable or not currently registered may be left on any town road or public parking lot for a period longer than 24 hours.
2. No person shall park truck tractors, tractor trailers, dump trucks or other vehicles or combinations thereof over 20' long, on town roads overnight. This provision shall not include duly authorized road construction equipment.
3. No person shall park a vehicle in front of, opposite to, or in such a position as to block access or exit from a driveway.
4. No person shall park a vehicle within the vision triangle of an intersecting road.
5. No person shall park or leave unattended a vehicle on private property without the property owner's consent.

F. REMOVAL AND STORAGE OF VEHICLES.

1. Authority to impound vehicles. When any vehicle is parked or abandoned on any highway or public parking lot within this town during a snowstorm, flood, fire or other public emergency which affects that portion of the public highway or parking lot upon which said vehicle is parked or abandoned, said vehicle may be removed by or under the direction of a law enforcement officer or other properly authorized official of the Town of Garfield.
2. When any vehicle is found in violation of this ordinance, said vehicle may be removed by or under the direction of duly appointed law enforcement authorities or other property authorized official of the Town of Garfield.
3. Storage and charges. After removal of any vehicle as provided in this Section, the Town or its representative may store or cause such vehicle to be stored in a suitable place at the expense of the owner. Such owner or person in charge of the vehicle may redeem the same upon payment to the person with whom stored of the amount of all expenses actually and necessarily incurred in effecting such removal and storage.

G. VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES.

1. **Penalty.** Forfeitures for Uniform Statewide Parking, Stopping, and Standing Offenses. Minimum and maximum forfeitures for violations of the offenses described in Wis. Stat. §§346.50 to 346.55 are adopted by reference in Section 183-1 of this code and shall be as follows: Any person violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance, shall be subject to penalties as provided below.

Section C. 2 (Wis. Stat. 346.505(2)) minimum \$50.00 and maximum \$300 plus court costs.

Section C. 3 (Wis. Stat. 346.52) minimum \$20.00 and maximum \$40.00 for first offense plus court costs. Minimum \$50.00 and maximum \$ 100.00 for second and subsequent conviction in one year plus court costs.

2. The penalty for all other violations of this Chapter not listed in A above, if the minimum and maximum penalty is not established by state statute, the minimum shall be \$20.00 and maximum \$100 plus court costs. For second or subsequent offenses in one year: minimum \$50.00 and maximum \$200.00 plus court costs.

3. Enforcement. This chapter shall be enforced by issuing citations as authorized in Wis. Stat. §66.110 and Chapter 6 of the Code of the Town of Garfield and by any other method authorized by law. The procedure for issuing and paying citations as specified in the Town of Garfield citation ordinance shall apply.

4. A duly authorized law enforcement official or a duly authorized traffic control officer who discovers a vehicle in violation of this article shall deliver a citation to the driver of the offending vehicle notifying him that such vehicle has been in violation of said article or, if the vehicle is unattended, attach the citation to the vehicle in a conspicuous place. In the absence of the driver, the registered owner of the vehicle shall be presumed to be the person receiving the citation.

Dated this 18th day of August, 2008.

BY: TOWN OF GARFIELD

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ACTING CLERK

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