

## **Article C: Parking Regulations**

### **Sec. 10-1-20 Restrictions on Parking; Posted Limitations**

#### **(a) Seventy-two (72) and Twenty-four (24) Hour Limitations.**

- (1) No person, firm or corporation shall park or leave standing any automobile, truck, tractor, trailer or vehicle of any description on any public streets in the Village of Muscoda for a period of seventy-two (72) or more consecutive hours in the same location at any time, except that where more restrictive parking limits have been established, the more restrictive limits shall apply.
- (2) No person, firm or corporation shall park or leave standing any automobile, truck, tractor, trailer or vehicle of any description on any public parking lot in the Village of Muscoda for a period of twenty-four (24) or more consecutive hours in the same location at any time, except that where more restrictive parking limits have been established, the more restrictive limits shall apply.
- (3) When any law enforcement officer shall find a vehicle standing upon a public street and/or public parking lot in violation of the provisions of this Section, he/she is authorized to move such a vehicle or to require the operator in charge thereof to move such vehicle to a position permitted under this Chapter. The law enforcement officer may cause said vehicle to be removed to a proper impoundment and storage area.

#### **(b) Posted Limitations.**

- (1) The Village Board may designate certain streets or portions of streets as no parking or no stopping or standing zones or as zones for parking by physically handicapped persons and may limit the hours in which the restrictions apply. The Village shall mark, by appropriate signs, each zone so designated in accordance with the provisions of sec. 349.13, Wis. Stats.
- (2) Except when necessary to avoid conflict with other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a police officer or traffic control device, no person shall stop or park a vehicle in an established no stopping or standing zone when stopping or standing is prohibited. No vehicle shall be parked in a no parking zone during hours when parking is prohibited except physicians on emergency calls or as permitted by state law or elsewhere by this Code of Ordinances.
- (3) The Chief of Police is hereby granted the authority, within the reasonable exercise of police power to prohibit, limit the time or otherwise restrict the stopping, standing or parking of vehicles beyond the provisions of Chapter 346. The Village Board shall have the authority to restrict the turning or movement of heavy traffic and to impose special weight limitations on any highway or portions thereof which, because of the weakness of the roadbed due to deterioration or climatic conditions or other special or temporary conditions, would likely be seriously

damaged or destroyed in the absence of any restrictions on heavy traffic movement or special weight limitations.

- (4) No prohibition, restriction or limitation on parking or restriction on movement or turning of heavy traffic and imposition of special weight limits is effective unless official traffic control devices have been placed or erected indicating the particular prohibition, restriction or limitation.
- (5) After the parking limitations on any given street have expired, any change of location of not more than one (1) stall following expiration of the parking period allowed shall be and constitute a violation of this Chapter.

### **Sec. 10-1-21 Parking Restrictions During Temporary Snow Removal or Street Maintenance.**

- (a) **Street Maintenance.** Whenever it is necessary to clear or repair a Village roadway or any part thereof, the Public Works Department and/or Police Department shall post such highways or parts thereof with signs bearing the words "No Parking -Street Maintenance Work." Such signs shall be erected at least two (2) hours prior to the time that street maintenance work is to be commenced. No person shall park a motor vehicle in violation of such signs.
- (b) **Temporary Parking Restrictions for Special Events.** Pursuant to the provisions of Subsection 349.13, Wis. Stats. , the Chief of Police is authorized to direct that temporary "No Parking" signs be erected by the Street Superintendent during parades, festivals and other authorized events that require the regulating of vehicle stopping, standing or parking on Village roadways. The temporary regulation shall be limited to the time the event exists or is likely to exist.
- (c) **Parking During Snow Removal.** No person shall park, place or leave standing any automobile, truck or other vehicle on any street or public way after one (1) hour from the time such area has been designated and marked with signs or barriers by the Public Works and/or Police Departments of the Village indicating no parking due to snow removal.

### **Sec. 10-1-22 Stopping or Parking Prohibited in Certain Specified Places**

- (a) **Parking Prohibited at All Times.** Except temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading or in receiving or discharging passengers or property and while the vehicle is attended by a licensed operator so that it may be moved promptly in case of an emergency or to avoid obstruction of traffic, no person shall at any time park or leave standing any vehicle:
  - (1) Within an intersection.
  - (2) On a crosswalk.
  - (3) On a sidewalk or terrace area, except when parking in such place is clearly indicated by official traffic signs or markers or parking meters. "Terrace or

Sidewalk Area" means that area between the sidewalk and the nearest curb line running parallel or generally parallel thereto or in the absence of a sidewalk ten (10) feet beyond the curb line.

- (4) Alongside or opposite any highway excavation or obstruction when such stopping or standing would obstruct traffic or when pedestrian traffic would be required to travel in the roadway.
  - (5) On the roadway side of any parked vehicle unless double parking is clearly indicated by official traffic signs or markers.
  - (6) Within a fire lane consisting of either the driveway between the front doors of a Fire Station and the public street or in such places properly designated and marked as fire lanes ordered by the Fire Chief.
  - (7) Upon any portion of a highway where and at the time when stopping or standing is prohibited by official traffic signs indicating the prohibition of any stopping or standing.
  - (8) In any place or manner so as to obstruct, block or impede traffic.
  - (9) Within ten (10) feet of a fire hydrant, unless a greater distance is indicated by an official traffic sign.
  - (10) Upon any portion of a highway where and at the time when parking is prohibited, limited or restricted by official traffic signs.
  - (11) Upon any bridge.
  - (12) Upon any street or highway within the Village limits any vehicle which faces a direction different from the direction of normal traffic flow for the lane of traffic in which said vehicle is stopped or standing.
  - (13) Upon any terrace or sidewalk in the Village at any time.
  - (14) In a loading zoning.
  - (15) Within six (6) feet of the entrance to an alley, private road or driveway.
  - (16) In any municipal park when said park is closed to the public.
- (b) **Parking in Driveways.** No person shall park or leave standing any motor vehicle in any private driveway without the permission of the owner or lessee of the property which such driveway is located, whether or not such driveway is posted to limit or restrict parking.
- (c) **Vehicles Not to Block Private Drive, Alley or Fire Lane.** No vehicle shall, at any time, be parked so as to unreasonably restrict the normal access to any private drive, alley or fire lane. Said access shall be deemed to be unreasonably restricted if any vehicle is parked within four (4) feet of either side of said access. Upon discovery by a police officer or upon complaint by the owner of any such blocked drive, alley or fire lane, the

Chief of Police may order said vehicle towed from such position at the risk and expense of the owner of said vehicle.

(d) **Parking Vehicle for Repair or to Display for Sale Prohibited.**

- (1) No person shall stand or park a vehicle on any street, alley, public right-of-way or municipal parking lot in the Village of Muscoda for the purpose of repairing said vehicle or to display such vehicle for sale. No person shall park on any street or avenue any vehicles for the primary purpose of advertising.
- (2) No person other than an owner and/or operator of a business located on business zoned property engaged in the regular business of selling vehicles may display a vehicle for sale upon private premises unless the following conditions are met:
  - a. Consent to display the vehicle has been given by the owner or lessee of the premises; and
  - b. The owner of the vehicle is on the premises or resides there; and
  - c. The vehicle displayed for sale is parked entirely on the premises; and
  - d. The premises contains only one (1) vehicle displayed for sale; and
  - e. The advertisement or sign for sale of the vehicle is not larger than two (2) square feet.

(e) **Stopping, standing, or parking in front of High School Prohibited.**

- (1) No person shall stop, stand, or park any vehicle in front of the Riverdale High School to include dropping off or picking up students before, after, or during school. This zone is marked by yellow curb and signs specifically prohibiting “drop offs”.

**Sec. 10-1-23 Parking Reserved for Vehicles of Disabled.**

When official traffic signs indicating such restriction have been erected in accordance with Section 10-1-3 of this Chapter, no person shall park, stop or leave standing any vehicle upon any portion of a street, highway or public or private parking facility reserved for vehicles displaying special registration plates or identification cards or emblems issued by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation or, for vehicles registered in another jurisdiction, by such other jurisdiction designating the vehicle as one used by a physically disabled person.

**Sec. 10-1-24 Angle Parking**

(a) **Limitations.**

- (1) Angle parking or parking diagonally is prohibited on all the streets, alleys and highways of the Village except as provided herein. All vehicles shall park parallel to, and within one (1) foot of, the curb except where streets and parking lots are so marked for angle parking.

- (2) No person shall at any time park any vehicle:
- a. In any direction other than the designated parking angle, where angle parking spaces are so designated and provided by appropriate markings.
  - b. Backwards into angle parking spaces so designated and provided by appropriate markings.
  - c. With a trailer attached or any vehicle longer than twenty (20) feet on any street where angle parking is so provided and allowed.
- (b) **Diagonal Parking.** Motor vehicles shall be permitted to park diagonal to the curb on the hereinafter described streets where signs or painted lines indicating stalls indicate that diagonal parking is so permitted:
- (1) Along the North curb of Nebraska Street between Second Street and Wisconsin Ave.
  - (2) Along the South curb of Nebraska Street between Second Street and Wisconsin Ave.
  - (3) Along the North curb of Walnut Street between Second Street and Iowa Street.
  - (4) Along the North curb of Walnut Street between Iowa Street and Wisconsin Ave.

**Sec. 10-1-25 Snow Season Parking Regulations.**

During the period of December 1 of each year until March 1 of each following year, no person, excepting only police officers on calls shall:

- (a) Park any vehicle or permit any vehicle owned by him or her to be parked on the north or east side of any street in the Village of Muscoda during any hours between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. on odd numbered days of the month.
- (b) Park any vehicle or permit any vehicle owned by him or her to be parked on the south or west side of any street in the Village of Muscoda during any hours between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. on even numbered days of the month.

**Sec. 10-1-26 Restricted Parking.**

- (a) No person shall park a vehicle, except an authorized emergency vehicle, on Wisconsin Avenue during any hours between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. Monday through Friday or between 2:30 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. Saturday or Sunday between Catherine Street and the northern Village limits.

**Sec. 10-1-27 No Parking Areas.**

No person, firm or corporation shall permit any vehicle owned by him/her to be parked in the following no parking areas:

- (a) On the west side of Sixth Street between Elm Street and University Street.

- (b) On Howard Street from Hwy 133 to the Culdesac.

**Sec. 10-1-28 Parking of Vehicles Over 12,000 Pounds or 16 Feet Restricted.**

- (a) **Street Parking.** No person owning or having control of any truck, trailer, truck power unit, tractor, bus or recreation vehicle or combination of vehicles weighing in excess of twelve thousand (12,000) pounds gross weight, or over twenty (20) feet in length (including accessories, racks, or other physical extensions), or having a height of more than eight (8) feet from the roadway, shall park the same upon any of the following streets, avenues, or public ways in the Village of Muscoda. The provisions of this Subsection shall not be deemed to prohibit the lawful temporary parking of such equipment upon any street, avenue or public way in the Village for the actual loading or unloading of goods, ware or merchandise, providing, however, the "loading" and "unloading," as used in this Section, shall be limited to the actual time consumed in such operation. The Village Board may, however, designate specific truck parking zones:
- (1) Wisconsin Avenue from the intersection of Front Street to the intersection of Maple Street.
  - (2) Nebraska Street from the intersection of Iowa Street to the intersection of Second Street.
  - (3) Walnut Street East from the North/South alley in Blocks 119 and 134 to the intersection of Second Street.
- (b) **Removal.** Any vehicle unlawfully parked under Subsection (a) above may be removed from the street by order of a law enforcement officer, pursuant to Section 10-1-33, and the expense of so moving and storing such vehicle shall be paid by the operator or owner of said vehicle as a forfeiture in addition to the penalties hereafter prescribed.

**Sec. 10-1-29 Unlawful Removal of Parking Citations.**

No person other than the owner or operator thereof shall remove a Village parking ticket from a motor vehicle.

**Sec. 10-1-30 Operation of Motor Vehicles in Public Parking Lots.**

- (a) **Unlicensed Operators Prohibited.** No person who does not hold a valid operator's license shall operate a vehicle in any public parking lot or ramp or in any private parking lot or ramp held out for the use of parking for the general public.
- (b) **Traffic Regulations Applicable.** All provisions of Section 10-1-1 of this Chapter and of the Wisconsin Statutes and laws incorporated herein by reference shall be applicable on any public parking lot or ramp and on any private parking lot, road or ramp held out for use for the general public for parking or vehicular traffic.

**Sec. 10-1-31 Removal of Illegally Parked Vehicles.**

- (a) **Hazard to Public Safety.** Any vehicle parked, stopped or standing upon a highway or public parking lot or ramp in violation of any of the provisions of this Chapter is declared to be a hazard to traffic and public safety.
- (b) **Removal by Operator.** Such vehicle shall be removed by the operator in charge, upon request of any law enforcement officer, to a position where parking is permitted or to a private or public parking or storage premises.
- (c) **Removal by Traffic Officer.** Any law enforcement officer after issuing a citation for illegal parking, stopping or standing of an unattended vehicle in violation of this Chapter, is authorized to remove such vehicle to a position where parking is permitted.
- (d) **Removal by Private Service.** The officer may order a motor carrier holding a permit to perform vehicle towing services, a licensed motor vehicle salvage dealer or a licensed motor vehicle dealer who performs vehicle towing services to remove and store such vehicle in any public storage garage or rental parking grounds or any facility of the person providing the towing services.
- (e) **Towing and Storage Charges.** In addition to other penalties provided in this Chapter, the owner or operator of a vehicle so removed shall pay the actual cost of moving, towing and storage. If the vehicle is towed or stored by a private motor carrier, motor vehicle salvage dealer or licensed motor vehicle dealer, actual charges regularly paid for such services shall be paid. If the vehicle is stored in a public storage garage or rental facility, customary charges for such storage shall be paid. Upon payment, a receipt shall be issued to the owner of the vehicle for the towing or storage charge.

**Sec. 10-1-32 Inoperable, Wrecked or Discarded Vehicles.**

- (a) **Storage Prohibited.** No person owning or having custody of any partially dismantled, non-operable, wrecked, junked or discarded motor vehicle shall allow such vehicle to remain on any public street or highway, parking lot or ramp longer than seventy-two (72) hours after notification thereof by the Police Department. Notification shall be accomplished by placing in a conspicuous place on the vehicle and by mailing or serving upon the owner or occupant in charge of the premises a written notice setting forth briefly the applicable provisions of this Section and the date of the notice. Any vehicle so tagged which is not removed within seventy-two (72) hours after notice is declared to be a public nuisance and may be removed as provided in Section 10-1-33.
- (b) **Exemptions.** This Section shall not apply to a motor vehicle in an appropriate storage place or depository maintained in a lawful place and manner authorized by the Village of Muscoda.

**Sec. 10-1-33 Traffic and Parking Regulations on School District Grounds.**

Pursuant to the provisions of Sec. 118.105, Wis. Stats., the following regulations shall apply to the grounds of the Public School District located within the Village of Muscoda:

- (a) **Parking.** No person shall park any vehicle in any vehicular traveling area or parking area of the School District, except in conformity with posted parking regulations set forth for such vehicular travel and parking areas.
- (b) **Speed Limits.** No person shall, at any time, operate a motor vehicle upon any School District grounds at a speed in excess of ten (10) miles per hour.
- (c) **Vehicles Prohibited at Specified Times.** No person shall, at any time, operate a motor vehicle other than a school bus or emergency vehicle, in or upon any drive designated for buses only during the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., and during the hours of 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on any weekday during the months school is in session.
- (d) **State Traffic Forfeiture Laws Adopted.** All provisions of Chapters 340 to 349 of the Wisconsin Statutes describing and defining regulations with respect to vehicles and traffic for which the penalty is a forfeiture only, including penalties to be imposed and procedures for prosecution, are hereby adopted and by reference made a part of this Section as if fully set forth herein. Such statutory sections shall be designated as part of this Code by adding the prefix "10-1-35-" to each state statute section number. Any act required to be performed or prohibited by any statute incorporated herein by reference is required or prohibited by this Section.
- (e) **Miscellaneous Rules.**
  - (1) No person shall operate a motor vehicle on such school premises at a rapid or sudden acceleration with the intent of squealing tires or leaving tire marks.
  - (2) No person shall operate a motor vehicle on such premises across parking lot islands or parking lot dividers.

#### **Sec. 10-1-34 Parking During Snow Emergency.**

- (a) **Emergency Declarations.** The Director of Public Works or Chief of Police may declare that an emergency exists in the Village whenever a snowfall during any period of twenty-four (24) hours or less reaches a depth of three (3) inches or more, as reported by the U.S. Weather Service or other, similar agency. Such emergency is declared to be a serious public hazard impairing transportation and public health, safety and welfare for a period of twenty-four (24) hours or until such time as snow removal operations have been declared completed by the Director of Public Works or, in such Director's absence, the Chief of Police or the Chairperson of the Village's Street Committee.
- (b) **Parking Regulations During Snow Emergency.** Whenever an emergency exists, and the Director of Public Works or other, designated responsible official shall have caused announcement thereof to be made by not less than two (2) radio stations whose normal operating range covers the Village, no person shall park, or suffer to be parked, any vehicle of any kind or description, except for emergency vehicles, upon any street within the Village during such twenty-four (24) hour period or such earlier time as the Director of Public Works or other, designated responsible official declares the emergency to be at an end. Notwithstanding emergency restrictions, vehicles may be parked for a period of



time not longer than five (5) minutes for actually loading or unloading property provided that no other regulation restricting parking as to place, time or manner is violated thereby.

- (c) **Signs.** Pursuant to the authority of Sec. 349.13(1)(c), Wis. Stats. , the Director of Public Works shall procure and erect at or reasonably near the corporate limits of the Village on all state and county trunk highways and connecting highways as the latter are defined in Sec. 86.32, Wis. Stats. , official traffic signs informing motorists that snow emergency regulations are in effect in the Village.

**Sec. 10-1-35 Participation in the Nonmoving Traffic Violation and Registration Program.**

- (a) The Village of Muscoda shall participate in the Nonmoving Traffic Violation and Registration Program of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation pursuant to the provisions of Sec. 345.28(4), Wis. Stats.
- (b) The cost of participating in said program shall be paid by the Village and then assessed against those persons charged with a nonmoving traffic violation and referred to the Department of Transportation for suspension of registration and/or refusal of registration.