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ARTICLE A
General Provisions

SEC. 10-1-1 STATE TRAFFIC LAWS ADOPTED

- a) **Statutes Adopted.** Except as otherwise specifically provided in this Code, the statutory provisions in Chapters 110, 194, and 340 through 349 of the Wisconsin Statutes, describing and defining regulations with respect to vehicles and traffic, for which the penalty is a forfeiture only, exclusive of any regulations for which the statutory penalty is a fine or term of imprisonment or exclusively state charges, are hereby adopted and by reference made a part of this Chapter as if fully set forth herein. The statutory sections listed shall be designated as part of this Code by adding the prefix "10-1-" to each statute section number. Any act required to be performed or prohibited by any regulation incorporated herein by reference is required or prohibited by this Chapter. Any future amendments, revisions or modifications of the statutory regulations in Chapters 340 through 349 incorporated herein are intended to be made part of this Chapter in order to secure to the extent legally practicable uniform statewide regulation of vehicle traffic on the highways, streets and alleys of the State of Wisconsin. Any person who shall, within the Village of Howards Grove, Wisconsin, violate any provisions of any Statute incorporated herein by reference shall be deemed guilty of an offense under this Section.
- b) **Other State Laws Adopted.** There are also hereby adopted by reference the following sections of the Wisconsin Statutes, but the prosecution of such offenses under this Chapter shall be as provided in Chapters 340 through 349 of the Wisconsin Statutes and the penalty or violation thereof shall be limited to a forfeiture as hereinafter provided in this Chapter:
 - 941.01 Negligent Operation of Vehicle Off Highway
 - 941.03 Highway Obstruction
 - 943.11 Entry into Locked Vehicle
 - 943.23 Operating Motor Vehicles Without Owners Consent
 - 947.045 Drinking in Motor Vehicle on Highway
- c) **Statutes Specifically Incorporated by Reference.** Whenever this Chapter incorporates by reference specific sections of the Wisconsin Statutes, such references shall mean the Wisconsin Statutes of 1989-90 as from time to time amended, repealed or modified by the Wisconsin Legislature.

- d) **General References.** General references in this Chapter to Wisconsin statutory sections or chapters describing or defining procedures or authority for enactment or enforcement of local traffic regulations shall be deemed to refer to the most recent enactments of the Wisconsin Legislature describing or defining such procedures or authorities.

SEC. 10-1-2 STATE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE PROVISIONS ADOPTED

- a) **Administrative Regulations Adopted.** The following administrative rules and regulations adopted by the Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation and published in the Wisconsin Administrative Code, exclusive of any provisions therein relating to the penalties to be imposed, are hereby adopted by reference and made part of this Chapter as if fully set forth herein.

Wis. Adm. Code - MVD 5 Standards for Motor Vehicle Equipment

Wis. Adm. Code - MVD 6 Transportation of Explosives by motor Vehicle

Wis. Adm. Code - MVD 12 Leasing of Vehicles by Private Carriers

Wis. Adm. Code - MVD 18 Protective Head gear standards and Specifications

Wis. Adm. Code - MVD 22 Standards and Specifications - Design and Mounting
SMV Emblem

- b) **Non-Compliance Prohibited.** No person shall operate or allow to be operated on any highway, street or alley within the Village a vehicle that is not in conformity with the requirements of Subsection (a) or the provisions of Sec. 110.075 and Chapter 347, Wis. Stats., incorporated by reference in Section 10-1-1 of this Chapter.

- c) **Safety Checks.**

1. Operators to Submit to Inspection. When directed to do so by any law enforcement officer, the operator of any motor vehicle shall stop and submit such vehicle to an inspection and such tests as are necessary to determine whether the vehicle meets the requirements of this Section or that the vehicle's equipment is in proper adjustment or repair. No person, when operating a motor vehicle, shall fail to stop and submit such vehicle to inspection when directed to do so by any law enforcement officer as herein provided.
2. Authority of Officer. Any law enforcement officer is hereby empowered whenever he or she shall have reason to believe that any provision of this Section is being violated to order the operator of the vehicle to stop and to submit such vehicle to an inspection with respect to brakes, lights, turn signals, steering, horns and warning devices, glass, mirrors, exhaust systems, windshield wipers, tires and other items of equipment.
3. Vehicle to be Removed From Highway. Whenever, after inspection as provided by this Section, a law enforcement officer determines that a vehicle is unsafe for operation, he or she may order it removed from the highway and not operated, except for purposes of removal and repair until the vehicle has been repaired as directed in a repair order. Repair orders may be in the form prescribed by the secretary of the Department of Transportation under Sec. 110.075 (5), Wis. Stats., and shall require the vehicle owner or operator to cause the repairs to be made and return evidence of compliance with the repair order to the department of the issuing officer in the time specified in the order.

- d) **Penalty.**

1. Penalty for violation of any provision of this Section, including the provisions of the Wisconsin Administrative Code, incorporated herein by reference, shall be as

- provided in Section 10-1-50, together with the costs of prosecution and applicable penalty assessment.
2. The Administrative Code sections adopted by reference in Subsection (a) above shall be designated as part of this Code by adding the prefix "10-1-" to each statute or Administrative Code section number.

SEC. 10-1-3 OFFICIAL TRAFFIC SIGNS AND CONTROL DEVICES; PROHIBITED SIGNS, SIGNALS AND MARKERS

- a) **Duty of Director of Public Works to Erect and Install Uniform Traffic Control Devices.** Whenever traffic regulations created by this Chapter, including a State of Wisconsin traffic regulation adopted by reference in Section 10-1-1, require the erection of traffic control devices for enforcement, the Director of Public Works shall Procure, erect and maintain uniform traffic control devices conforming to the Uniform Traffic Control Device Manual promulgated by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, giving notice of such traffic regulation to the users of the streets and highways on which such regulations apply. Whenever State law grants discretion to local authorities in erecting or placement of a uniform traffic control device, devices shall be erected in such locations and in such a manner as, in the judgment of the Director of Public Works, will carry out the purposes of this Chapter and give adequate warning to users of the streets and highways of the Village of Howards Grove.
- b) **Code Numbers to be Affixed to official Traffic Control Devices.** The Director of Public Works shall cause to be placed on each official traffic control sign a guide board, mile post, signal or marker erected under Subsection (a), a code number assigned by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, and shall also place or direct the placing of code numbers on all existing official traffic control devices as required by the laws of the State of Wisconsin.
- c) **Prohibited Signs and Markers in Highways.** No person other than an officer authorized by this Chapter to erect and maintain official traffic control devices or his or her designee shall place within the limits of any street or highway maintained by the Village any sign, signal, marker, mark or monument unless permission is first obtained from the Director of Public Works or, where applicable, the State Highway Commission. Any sign, signal, marker, mark or monument placed or maintained in violation of this Subsection shall be subject to removal as provided in Subsection (d).
- d) **Removal of Unofficial Signs, Markers, Signals and Traffic Control Devices.** The Director of Public Works may remove any sign, signal, marking or other device which is placed, maintained or displayed in violation of this Chapter or state law. Any charge imposed against premises for removal of a prohibited or illegal sign, signal, marking or device shall be reported by the Director of Public Works to the Village Board for review and certification at its next regular meeting following the imposition of the charge. Any charge not paid on or before the next succeeding November 15 shall be placed upon the tax roll for collection as other special municipal taxes.

State Law Reference: Sections 346.41 and 349.09, Wis. Stats.

SEC. 10-1-4 REGISTRATION RECORD OF VEHICLE AS EVIDENCE

When any vehicle is found upon a street or highway in violation of any provision of this Chapter regulating the stopping, standing or parking of vehicles and the identity of the operator cannot be determined, the owner, as shown by the ownership registration of the vehicle supplied by the

Wisconsin Department of Transportation, or a comparable authority of any other state, shall be deemed to have committed the violation for purposes of enforcement of this Chapter and specifically Section 10-1-1 and shall be subject to the applicable forfeiture penalty; provided the defenses defined and described in Sec. 346.485(5)(b), Wis. Stats., shall be a defense for an owner charged with such violation.

SEC. 10-1-5 SCHOOL BUS WARNING LIGHTS

- a)
1. Notwithstanding the provisions of Sec. 346.48(2)(b)2., Wis. Stats., adopted by reference in Section 10-1-1 to the contrary and except as provided in Subsection (b) below, school bus operators shall use flashing red warning lights in residential and business districts when pupils or other authorized passengers are to be loaded or unloaded at locations at which there are no crosswalk or traffic signals so that pupils must cross the street or highway before being loaded or after being unloaded.
 2. The operator of a school bus equipped with flashing red warning lights shall actuate such lights at least one hundred (100) feet before stopping to load or unload pupils or other authorized passengers and shall not extinguish such lights until loading or unloading is completed and persons who must cross the street or highway are safely across.
 3. The operator of a school bus shall use the flashing red warning lights when loading or unloading passengers from either side where the curb and sidewalk are laid on one (1) side of the road only.
 4. The operator of a school bus shall use the flashing red warning lights when loading or unloading passengers in a residential or business district when the passengers are to be loaded or unloaded at a location at which there are:
 - a. No traffic signals;
 - b. Sidewalk and curb are laid on both sides of the street or highway; and
 - c. Such persons must cross the street or highway before being loaded or after being unloaded.
 5. The operator of a motor vehicle which approaches from the front or rear of any school bus which has stopped on a street or highway when the bus is displaying flashing red warning lights shall stop the vehicle not less than twenty (20) feet from the bus and shall remain stopped until the bus resumes motion or the operator extinguishes the flashing red warning lights. The operator of a school bus, which approaches the front or rear of another school bus that has stopped and is displaying red warning lights, shall stop not less than twenty (20) feet from the other bus, display its red warning lights and remain stopped with red warning lights actuated until the other bus resumes motion or the other operator extinguishes the flashing red warning lights.
- b) Pursuant to Sec. 349.21(2), Wis. Stats., the use of flashing red warning lights by school bus operators is prohibited when pupils or other authorized passengers are loaded or unloaded directly from or onto the school grounds or that portion of a right-of-way between the roadway and the school grounds designated by "school" warning signs as provided in Sec. 118.08(1), Wis. Stats.

SEC. 10-1-6 BLUE WARNING LIGHTS ON POLICE VEHICLES

- a) Pursuant to Sections 346.03(3), 346.94(14), 346.95(3) and 347.25(1), (1m)(a) and (b) and (4), Wis. Stats., a marked police vehicle under Sec. 340.01(3) a), Wis. Stats., may be equipped with a blue light and a red light which flash, oscillate or rotate.
- b) If the vehicle is so equipped, the lights shall be illuminated when the operator of the police vehicle is exercising the privileges granted under Sec. 346.03, Wis. Stats. The blue light shall be mounted on the passenger side of the vehicle and the red light shall be mounted on the driver side of the vehicle. The lights shall be designed and mounted so as to be plainly visible and understandable from a distance of five hundred (300) feet during normal sunlight and during hours of darkness. No operator of a police vehicle may use the warning lights except when responding to an emergency call or when in pursuit of an actual or suspected violator of the law, when responding to but not upon returning from a fire alarm or when necessarily parked on a highway in a position which is likely to be hazardous to traffic using the highway.

SEC. 10-1-7 OFFICIAL TRAFFIC MAP ADOPTED

The location of all official traffic control signs, signals and markings erected by order of the Village Board to give notice to the public of traffic regulations adopted by the Village Board are indicated on the Official Traffic Map of the Village of Howards Grove, which is hereby adopted by reference as part of this Chapter. Such map shall be maintained in the Village Hall and the Village Board may, by ordinance, make additions to or deletions from such map from time to time.

SEC. 10-1-8 TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNS

Yield signs shall be installed on both sides of South Washington Drive at its intersection with Alcott Avenue.

SEC. 10-1-9 RESERVED FOR FUTURE USE

ARTICLE B
Street Traffic Regulations

SEC 10-1-10 OPERATORS TO OBEY TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICES

Every operator of a vehicle approaching an intersection at which an Official Traffic Control Device is erected in accordance with this Chapter shall obey the direction of such Official Traffic Control Device as required by the Wisconsin Statutes incorporated by reference in Section 10-1-1 of this Chapter. Operators of vehicles approaching a stop sign shall stop before entering a highway as required by Sec. 346.46, Wis. Stats. Operators approaching intersections at which a yield sign has been installed shall yield the right-of-way to other vehicles as required by Sec. 346.18(6), Wis. Stats.

SEC. 10-1-11 SPEED LIMITS

- a) **State Laws Adopted.** The provisions of Sections 346.57, 346.58, and 346.59 of the Wisconsin Statutes relating to the maximum and minimum speed of vehicles are hereby adopted, except as provided in Subsection (b) below.
- b) **Speed Limits.** The maximum permissible speed at which vehicles may be operated on the following streets or highways shall be as follows:
 1. Thirty (30) mph from a point 0.25 of a mile west of the intersection of Cty. Trk. Hwy. A with State Highway 32, easterly to such intersection.
 2. Thirty (30) mph from a point 0.44 of a mile east of the intersection of Cty. Trk. Hwy. JJ with State Highway 32, westerly to a point 0.10 of a mile west of the intersection.
 3. Twenty-five (25) mph on all other streets in the Village.

SEC. 10-1-12 THROUGH SEC. 10-1-19 RESERVED FOR FUTURE USE

ARTICLE C
Parking Regulations

SEC. 10-1-20 RESTRICTIONS ON PARKING; POSTED LIMITATIONS

- a) **Forty-eight (48) Hour Limitation.** No person, firm or corporation shall park or leave standing any automobile, truck, tractor, trailer or vehicle of any description on any public streets or public parking lots in the Village of Howards Grove for a period of forty-eight (48) 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. When any law enforcement officer shall find a vehicle standing upon a public street or parking lot in violation of the provisions of this Section, he 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 within the Village where storage space is available and in such case the owner shall pay the costs of removing said vehicle and the storage fees on said vehicle before he may recover the possession thereof.
- 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 Village Board 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 authorized Village representative 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 authorized Village representative is authorized to direct that temporary "No Parking" signs be erected 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 authorized Village representative 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 generally parallel thereto or in the absence of a sidewalk ten (10) feet beyond the curb line.
 4. Alongside or opposite any roadway 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 roadway 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 roadway 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 law enforcement officer or upon complaint by the owner of any such blocked drive, alley or fire lane, the law enforcement officers or other designated Village official 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 Howards Grove 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 commercial-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.
 - f. The vehicle is parked a minimum of ten (10) feet from property lines and the applicable zoning district's front yard setback.

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 LEAVING KEYS IN VEHICLE PROHIBITED; PARKING VEHICLES WITH MOTOR RUNNING

- a) **Leaving Keys in Vehicle.** No person shall permit any motor vehicle to stand or remain unattended on any street, alley or other public area, except an attended parking area, unless either the starting lever, throttle, steering apparatus, gear shift or ignition of the vehicle is locked and the key for such lock is removed from the vehicle. Whenever any law enforcement officer shall find any vehicle standing with the key in the ignition in violation of this Section, such officer is authorized to remove such key from the vehicle.
- b) **Parking Vehicles With Motor Running.** No person shall park or leave standing any motor vehicle with the motor or refrigerator unit running for more than thirty (30) minutes within three hundred (300) feet of any residence within the Village of Howards Grove between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.

SEC. 10-1-25 UNATTENDED MOTORIZED MACHINERY

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to permit any construction, compaction, earth-grading or farm machinery which is self-propelled and moves upon the surface of the earth and which is owned or controlled by him to stand for any period of time unattended without locking the ignition system or otherwise rendering said machinery inoperable so as to prevent any person unauthorized by the owner or individual in control thereof from starting said machinery.

SEC. 10-1-26 ANGLE PARKING

- a) 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.
- b) No person shall at any time park any vehicle:
 - 1. In any direction other than the designated parking angle, where angle parking spaces are so designated and provided by appropriate markings.
 - 2. backwards into angle parking spaces so designated and provided by appropriate markings.
 - 3. With a trailer attached or any vehicle longer than twenty (20) feet on any street where angle parking is so provided and allowed.

SEC. 10-1-27 SNOW SEASON PARKING REGULATIONS

- a) When signs have been erected at or near the corporate limits of the Village as provided in Sec. 349.13, Wis. Stats. No owner or driver of any vehicle shall park or leave standing any vehicle on any street within the Village of Howards Grove between the hours of 2:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. from December 1st through April 1st.
- b) The Director of Public Works is hereby authorized and directed to procure, erect and maintain appropriate official traffic signs conforming to the rules of the State Department of Transportation and giving notice to motorists of the provisions of this Section as required by State law.

SEC. 10-1-28 PARKING OF TRUCKS AND TRAILERS RESTRICTED

- a) **Vehicles in Excess of Size Restriction.** No person owning or having control of any truck, trailer, truck power unit, tractor, bus or recreation vehicle in excess of ten thousand (10,000) pounds gross weight, or over sixteen (16) feet in length (measured bumper to bumper or back of trailer to tongue of trailer), or having an enclosed area of a height of more than eight (8) feet from the roadway, shall park the same upon any street, avenue or public way in the Village zoned residential between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. One (1) hour parking will be allowed in residential areas between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. The provisions of this Subsection shall not be deemed to prohibit the lawful 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.
- 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 10-1-31, 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.

Cross-Reference: Section 10-1-20.

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 roadway 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 rounds 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, DISCARDED OR UNLICENSED VEHICLES

- a) **Storage Prohibited.** No person owning or having custody of any partially dismantled, non-operable, wrecked, junked, discarded, or unlicensed motor vehicle shall allow such vehicle to remain on any public street or highway, parking lot or ramp longer than forty-eight (48) hours after notification thereof from a law enforcement officer. 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 forty-eight (48) hours after notice is declared to be a public nuisance and may be removed as provided in Section 10-1-31.
- 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 Howards Grove.

Cross-Reference: Section 10-5-1.

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 Howards Grove:

- 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 or 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 "10-1-33-" 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 THROUGH SEC. 10-1-39 RESERVED FOR FUTURE USE

ARTICLE D
Miscellaneous Provisions

SEC. 10-1-40 DISTURBANCE OF THE PEACE WITH A MOTOR VEHICLE

- a) **Unnecessary Noise Prohibited.** It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle in such a manner which shall make or cause to be made any loud, disturbing, or unnecessary sounds or noises such as may tend to annoy or disturb another in or about any public or private area in the Village of Howards Grove.
- b) **Unnecessary Smoke Prohibited.** It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle in such a manner which shall make or cause to be made any smoke, gases, or odors which are disagreeable, foul, or otherwise offensive which may tend to annoy or disturb another in or about any public or private area in the Village.
- c) **Unnecessary Acceleration and Display of Power Prohibited.** It shall be unlawful for any person to operate any vehicle, including motorcycles, all-terrain vehicles and bicycles, in such a manner as to cause, by excessive and unnecessary acceleration, the tires of such vehicle or cycle to spin or emit loud noises or to unnecessarily throw stones or gravel; nor shall such driver cause to be made by excessive and unnecessary acceleration any loud noise as would disturb the peace.
- d) **Disorderly Conduct with a Motor Vehicle.**
 1. Conduct Prohibited. No person shall, within the Village of Howards Grove, by or through the use of any motor vehicle, including but not limited to, an automobile, truck, motorcycle, mini-bike or snowmobile, cause or provoke disorderly conduct with a motor vehicle, cause a disturbance or annoy one or more persons, or disturb or endanger the property or the safety of another's person or property.
 2. Definition. "Disorderly conduct with a motor vehicle" shall mean the engaging in violent, abusive, unreasonably loud conduct, or disturbing or endangering the property or the safety of another's person or property, or otherwise disorderly conduct, including but not limited to, unnecessary, deliberate or intentional spinning of wheels, squealing of tires, revving of engine, blowing the horn, causing the engine to backfire or causing the vehicle, while commencing to move or in motion, to raise one or more wheels off the ground.
- e) **Avoidance of Traffic Control Device Prohibited.** It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle in such a manner as to leave the roadway and travel across private property to avoid an official traffic control device, sign, signal.
- f) **Operation in Restricted Area Prohibited.** It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle in such a manner as to leave the roadway and park, stop, or travel upon or across any public or private property, parking lot, driveway, or business service area for any purpose except the official conduct of business located on said property without the consent of the owner or lessee of the property. This Section shall specifically include, but not be limited to:
 1. Public park property;
 2. Cemetery properties;
 3. School District property;
 4. Medical facilities;
 5. Funeral homes;
 6. Service stations;
 7. Grocery stores;
 8. Restaurants;
 9. Financial institutions; and

10. Other similar-type businesses with service driveways or drive-up or drive-through facilities.

- g) **Stopping and Parking Prohibited.** It shall be unlawful for any person to stop or park a motor vehicle in any manner on any public or private property or parking lot contrary to a regulatory sign posted thereon which may permit parking by certain persons and limits, restricts, or prohibits parking as to other persons without the consent of the owner or lessee of the property. Any vehicle parked in violation of this Section may be removed or towed by the property owner at the vehicle owner's expense.

SEC. 10-1-41 PEDESTRIAN REGULATIONS

a) **Pedestrian Obedience to Traffic Control Devices and Regulations.**

1. Obedience to Traffic Control Devices. No person shall fail to obey the instructions of any Uniform Traffic Control Device when traveling as a pedestrian on any highway within the Village of Howards Grove unless otherwise directed by a law enforcement officer.
2. Crossing at Crosswalks. No pedestrian shall cross at a crosswalk except on the right half thereof whenever practicable. Where sidewalks are provided, no pedestrian shall walk along and upon an adjacent roadway except when the sidewalk is visibly unsafe, or obstructed or closed to public travel.

- b) **Prohibited Pedestrian Crossings.** No pedestrian shall cross between adjacent intersections, unless such crossing is permitted by Official Traffic Control Devices.

SEC. 10-1-42 MOTOR VEHICLES ON PEDESTRIAN WAYS AND OVER PASSES

No person shall operate or park any motor vehicle on any pedestrian way or pedestrian overpass within the Village of Howards Grove except municipal or county maintenance vehicles.

SEC. 10-1-43 SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS

Pursuant to Sec. 349.215, Wis. Stats., those adult persons hired by the School District or Village to act as "School Crossing Guards" shall have the authority to stop vehicular traffic and to keep it stopped as long as necessary at their respective school crossings for the purpose of permitting school children to cross the street.

State Law Reference: Sec. 349.215, Wis. Stats.

SEC. 10-1-44 DRIVING OVER CURBING OR SAFETY ISLANDS PROHIBITED

- a) **Driving Over Curbing Prohibited.** It shall be unlawful for any motor vehicle to be driven or backed over any curbing in the Village of Howards Grove.
- b) **Driving Over Safety Zones or Islands Prohibited.** Whenever safety zones or safety islands are marked in accordance with the Wisconsin Uniform Traffic Control Device Manual, no operator of a vehicle shall at any time drive through or over a safety zone or safety island.

SEC. 10-1-45 THROUGH SEC. 10-1-49 RESERVED FOR FUTURE USE

ARTICLE E
Enforcement and Penalties

SEC. 10-1-50 PENALTIES

- a) **Forfeiture Penalty.** The penalty for violation of any provision of this Chapter shall be a forfeiture as hereafter provided, together with court costs and fees prescribed by Sections 814.63(1) and (2) or 814.65(1), Wis. Stats., the penalty assessment for moving traffic violations and the driver improvement surcharge imposed by Sections 814.75 (9) and 346.655, Wis. Stats., where applicable. Payment of the judgment and applicable court costs, fees, assessments and surcharges may be suspended by the sentencing court for not more than sixty (60) days. Any person eighteen (18) years of age or older who shall fail to pay the amount of the forfeiture, court costs, any penalty assessment or driver surcharge or other penalty imposed for violation any provision of this Chapter may, upon order of the court entered judgment thereof and having jurisdiction of the case, be imprisoned until sue forfeiture, costs and assessment are paid, but not exceeding ninety (90) days.
- b) **Other Sanctions.**
 1. By Court. Nothing herein shall preclude or affect the power of the sentencing court to exercise additional authorities granted by the Wisconsin Statutes to suspend or revoke the operating privileges of the defendant, order the defendant to submit to assessment and rehabilitation programs or to attend traffic safety school in addition to payment of a monetary penalty or in lieu or imprisonment.
 2. By Municipality. No person who has been convicted of a violation of any provision of this Chapter shall be issued a license or permit by the Village, except a dog license, until the forfeiture imposed for such violation and any penalty assessment, court costs and fees or surcharge is paid.
- c) **Forfeitures for Violation of Uniform Moving Traffic Regulations.** Forfeitures for violations of any moving traffic regulation set forth in the Wisconsin Statutes adopted by reference in Section 10-1-1 shall conform to the forfeiture penalty permitted to be imposed for violations of the comparable Wisconsin Statute, including any variations or increases for subsequent offenses; provided, however, that this Subsection shall not be construed to permit prosecution under this Chapter for any offense described in Chapters 341 to 349, Wis. Stats., for which an imprisonment penalty or fine may be imposed upon the defendant.
- d) **Forfeitures for Parking Violations.**
 1. Forfeitures for Uniform Statewide Parking, Stopping and Standing Offenses. Minimum and maximum forfeiture for violation of non-moving traffic violations adopted by reference in Section 10-1-1 as described in Chapter 341 to 349, Wis. Stats., shall be as found in the current edition of the Revised Uniform State Traffic Deposit Schedule.
 2. Penalty for Other Parking Violations. The penalty for other parking violations shall be subject to the penalties as set forth in Section 1-1-6. Each twenty-four (24) hour period of violation constitutes as a separate offense.
- e) **Other Violations.** The penalty for other violations shall be subject to the penalties as set forth in Section 1-1-6. Each twenty-four (24) hour period of violation constitutes as a separate offense.

SEC. 10-1-51 ENFORCEMENT

a) **Enforcement Procedures.**

1. How Enforced. This Chapter shall be enforced in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Wisconsin Statutes and this Section.
2. Applicable Court Procedures. Except where otherwise specifically provided by the laws of the State of Wisconsin or this Code, the traffic regulations in this Code shall be enforced in accordance with the provisions of Sec 345.20(2)(b) and Chapter 800, Wis. Stats.

b) **Citations.**

1. Uniform Citation and Complaint. The Wisconsin Uniform Traffic Citation and Complaint described and defined in the Wisconsin Statutes shall be used for enforcement of all provisions of this Chapter except those provisions which describe or define non-moving traffic violations and violations of Sections 346.71 through 346.73, Wis. Stats. Violations of Sections 346.71 through 346.73, Wis. Stats., shall be reported to the District Attorney and the Wisconsin Uniform Traffic Citation shall not be used in such cases except upon written request of the District Attorney.
2. Parking Citations. The Village Attorney shall recommend to the Village Board a citation for use in enforcing the non-moving traffic offenses in this Chapter. Such citation shall be used for enforcement of non-moving traffic regulations created or adopted by this Chapter, including violations of non-moving traffic regulations defined and described in the Wisconsin Statutes, adopted by reference in Section 10-1-1, and all provisions regarding non-moving traffic violations in this Chapter. The citation for non-moving traffic violations shall contain a notice that the person cited may discharge the forfeiture for violation of a non-moving traffic regulation and penalty thereof by complying with Subsection (c)(2) of this Section. Non-moving traffic citations may be issued by law enforcement officers or by civilians designated in Section 1-2-1.

c) **Deposits and Stipulations.**

1. Uniform Traffic Offenses.
 - a. Who May Make. Persons arrested or cited for violation of moving traffic offenses created by this Chapter shall be permitted to make deposits and stipulations of no contest or released by the arresting officer in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Wisconsin Statutes. Stipulations of guilt or no contest may be made by persons arrested for violations of this Chapter in accordance with Sec. 66.0114(1)(b) of the Wisconsin Statutes whenever the provisions of Sec. 345.27 of the Wisconsin Statutes are inapplicable to such violations. Stipulations shall conform to the form contained in the uniform traffic citation and complaint under Sec. 345.11 of the Wisconsin Statutes.
 - b. Delivery or Mailing of Deposit and Stipulation. Any person stipulating guilt or no contest under the preceding Subsection must make the deposit required under Sec. 345.26 of the Wisconsin Statutes or, if the deposit is not established under such Statute, shall deposit a forfeited penalty as provided in the schedule established by the Village Board. Deposits may be brought or mailed to the Clerk of Circuit Court or Village office within five (5) days of the issuance of the citation in lieu of court appearance.
2. Non-moving Traffic Offenses.
 - a. Direct Payment of Penalty Permitted. Persons cited (summons not issued) for violation of non-moving traffic offenses described and defined in this Chapter may discharge the penalty thereof and avoid court prosecution by mailing or

forwarding within five (5) days of the issuance of the citation the minimum forfeiture specified for the violation. When payment is made as provided in this paragraph, no court costs shall be charged.

- b. Court Prosecution. If the alleged violator does not deliver or mail a deposit, as provided in Subsection a. within fifteen (15) days of the date of the citation, the matter may be prosecuted.
 - c. Registration Suspension. If the alleged violator does not pay the forfeiture or appear in court in response to the citation for a non-moving traffic violation on the date specified in the citation or, if no date is specified on the citation, within twenty-eight (28) days after the citation is issued, the Village may ask the Wisconsin Department of Transportation to suspend the registration of the vehicle involved or refuse registration of any vehicle owned by the person pursuant to the provisions of Sec. 345.28(4), Wis. Stats., and Subsection (c)(3) below.
 - d. Bond. Any official authorized to accept deposits under Sec. 345.26, Wis. Stats., or this Section, shall qualify by taking the oath prescribed by Sec. 19.01, Wis. Stats.
3. Notice of Demerit Points and Receipt. Every officer accepting a forfeited penalty or money deposit under this Section shall receipt therefore in duplicate. Every officer accepting a stipulation under the provisions of this Section shall comply with the provisions of Sections 345.23, 345.28, 345.26(1)(a) and 345.27(2), Wis. Stats., and shall require the alleged violator to sign a statement of notice in substantially the form contained on the uniform traffic citation and complaint promulgated under Sec. 345.11, Wis. Stats.
4. Registration Suspension Program.
- a. The Village shall participate in the Wisconsin Department of Transportation Traffic Violation and Registration Program as set forth in Sec. 345.28, Wis. Stats., and Wis. Adm. Code Trans. 128 and all amendments or changes thereto.
 - b. The Village Constable or his designee is hereby designated as a delegated authority for purposes of Sections 85.13 and 345.28, Wis. Stats., and Wis. Adm. Code Trans. 128. The Village Constable or his designee is authorized to perform, on behalf of the Village, all functions required of a local authority under said Statutes and Code including, but not limited to:
 - i. Preparing and completing all forms and notices, notifying the Wisconsin Department Of Transportation of unpaid citations for non-moving traffic violations;
 - ii. Specifying whether the registration of vehicles involved in unpaid citations for non-moving traffic violations should be suspended and/or whether registration should be refused for any vehicle owned by persons with unpaid citations for non-moving traffic violations;
 - iii. Determining the method by which the Village will pay the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for administration of the program; establishing the effective date for participation;
 - iv. And taking such other action as is necessary to institute and continue participation in the Wisconsin Department of Transportation Traffic Violation and Registration Program.
 - c. In addition to all applicable fines and court costs, the cost of using the Wisconsin Department of Transportation Traffic Violation and Registration Program shall be assessed as permitted by Sec. 345.28(4)(d), Wis. Stats. The Village may refuse to notify the Wisconsin Department of Transportation of payment on a citation

until all applicable fines and costs, including costs assessed under the preceding sentence, are paid.

- d. This Subsection shall not be interpreted as requiring that all unpaid citations for non-moving traffic violations be processed through the Wisconsin Department of Transportation Traffic Violation and Registration Program. The Village's participation in such program shall be in addition to any and all other means legally available to enforce such citations.

State Law Reference: Sec. 345.28, Wis. Stats.; Chapter Trans. 128, Wis. Adm. Code.

CHAPTER 2 Bicycles and Play Vehicles

- 10-2-1 Definitions
- 10-2-2 Lighting and Other Equipment
- 10-2-3 Rules of the Road
- 10-2-4 Regulation of Skateboards, Roller Skates and Roller Skis
- 10-2-5 General Bicycle Regulations
- 10-2-6 Bicycle Penalties
- 10-2-7 Play Vehicle Penalties

SEC. 10-2-1 DEFINITIONS

As used in this Chapter:

- a) **Bicycle** means every device propelled by the feet acting upon pedals and having wheels, any two (2) of which are not less than fourteen (14) inches in diameter.
- b) **Bicycles' Lane** means that portion of a roadway set aside for exclusive use of bicycles and so designated by appropriate signs and markings by the responsible governing body.
- c) **Bike Route** means any bicycle lane, bicycle way or highway which has been duly designated by the responsible governing body and identified by appropriate signs and markings.
- d) **Bicycle Way** means any path or sidewalk, or portion thereof, designated for the use of bicycles by the responsible governing body.
- e) **Carrier** means any device attached to a bicycle designed for carrying articles.
- f) **Right-of-Way** means the right of one vehicle or pedestrian to proceed in a lawful manner in preference to another vehicle or pedestrian approaching under such circumstances of direction, speed and proximity as to give rise to danger of collision unless one grants precedence to the other.
- g) **Play Vehicles** means any coaster, skateboard, roller skates, sled, toboggan, unicycle or toy vehicle upon which a person may ride.

SEC. 10-2-2 LIGHTING AND OTHER EQUIPMENT

No person shall operate a bicycle upon a highway unless equipped as required in Sec. 347.489, Wis. Stats.

SEC. 10-2-3 RULES OF THE ROAD

The provisions of Chs. 346 and 347, Wis. Stats., and applicable Village ordinances shall govern the operation of bicycles where appropriate. Every person driving a bicycle upon a roadway shall be granted all the rights and shall be subject to all the duties applicable to the driver of a vehicle by the laws of the State declaring rules of the road applicable to vehicles or by the traffic ordinances of the Village applicable to the driver of the vehicle, except as to those provisions of laws and ordinances which by their nature can have no application.

SEC. 10-2-4 REGULATION OF SKATEBOARDS, ROLLER SKATES AND ROLLER SKIS

- a) **Regulations.** It shall be unlawful for any person in the Village of Howards Grove to operate or ride a skateboard, roller skates, rollerblades, or roller skis ("play vehicles") in any of the following places:

1. On any Village streets, except while crossing a roadway at a crosswalk.
 2. On any sidewalk in a business district. For purposes of this Section, a business district shall be defined as any area primarily commercial in nature.
 3. In any public parking ramp or parking lot.
 4. On private property, unless permission has been received from the owner, lessee or person in charge of that property.
- b) **Yield to Pedestrians.** Operators or riders of skateboards, roller skates, roller-blades, roller skis, or other play vehicles shall yield the right-of-way to other pedestrians using Village sidewalk, and shall not otherwise endanger or interfere with normal pedestrian traffic on those sidewalks.
- c) **Play Vehicles Not To Be Pulled By Moving Vehicles.** No person riding upon any coaster, roller skates, skateboard, roller skis, sled, toboggan, rollerblades or play vehicle shall attach the same or himself to any vehicle upon a roadway.

SEC. 10-2-5 GENERAL BICYCLE REGULATIONS

- a) **Parental Responsibility.** No parent or guardian of any child shall authorize or knowingly permit such child to violate any of the provisions of Sections 10-2-3, 10-2-4 and this Section.
- b) **Street Operation.**
1. Unless preparing to make a left turn, every person operating a bicycle upon a roadway carrying two-way traffic shall ride as near as possible to the right edge of the unobstructed traveled roadway. On one-way roadways, the Operator of the bicycle shall ride as near as possible to the right edge or left edge of the unobstructed traveled roadway. Every person operating a bicycle upon a roadway shall exercise due care when passing a standing vehicle or one proceeding in the same direction, allowing a minimum of three (3) feet between his bicycle and the vehicle.
 2. Every person when operating a bicycle upon a roadway shall ride such bicycle in single file.
 3. It shall be unlawful for any person riding upon a bicycle to cling to or attach himself or the bicycle to any other moving vehicle upon a street or highway.
 4. No bicycle shall be used to carry more persons at one time than the number for which it is designed and equipped. Infant seats are permitted if securely attached to the frame at the top mount and to the axle and frame at the rear bottom mount and if provided with hand holds, foot rests, foot guards and safety belt. The use of a back pack for carrying an infant is permitted. Persons are not permitted to be located on a bicycle in front of the operator of the bicycle.
 5. No person operating a bicycle shall carry any package, bundle or article which prevents the safe operation of the bicycle with at least one hand on the handlebars at all times.
 6. No rider of a bicycle shall remove both hands from the handlebars or feet from the pedals, or practice any acrobatic or fancy riding on any street.
 7. Whenever a usable path for bicycles has been provided adjacent to a roadway, bicycle riders shall use such path and shall not use the roadway.
 8. No person may operate a bicycle or moped upon a roadway where a sign is erected indicating that bicycle riding is prohibited.
- c) **Bicycle Parking.** No bicycle shall be parked in front of or adjacent to any commercial establishment unless the bicycle is parked on the sidewalk parallel to the street and as close as possible to the curb. No person shall leave a bicycle at such a place or in such a way as to create a hazard to pedestrians, automobile operators or to anyone else.

- d) **Required Equipment.** Every bicycle, when operated upon a highway, shall be equipped with a brake adequate to control the movement of and to stop such vehicle whenever necessary. Such brake shall be maintained in good working order at all times.
- e) **Bicycles Not to be Pulled by Moving Vehicles.** No person riding upon a bicycle shall cling or attach himself or his bicycle to any other moving vehicle upon a street or highway, nor shall the operator of any such bicycle tow or draw any coaster wagon, sled, person on roller skates, toy vehicles or any other similar vehicle on such highway.
- f) **Speed.** No person shall operate a bicycle at a speed greater than is reasonable and prudent under existing conditions or in excess of any posted speed limit.
- g) **Operation on Sidewalks.**
 - 1. No person over the age of ten (10) shall ride or propel an bicycle upon any public sidewalk or thoroughfare of the Village set apart for pedestrians, except bicycles having wheels sized twenty (20) inches or under. This exception shall not apply to twenty (20) inch or under bicycles designed or modified to BMX specifications.
 - 2. No person shall ride or propel any bicycle upon any public street, alley, boulevard or sidewalk of the Village in such manner as to interfere with the rights of other persons using such street, alley, boulevard, or sidewalk.
- h) **Bicycle Operation While Hearing Obstructed.** No person may operate a bicycle upon a highway while such operator is using any audio device attached directly to ear or ears of such operator that materially impairs the ability of such operator to hear traffic signals or warnings.
- i) **Mopeds Prohibited on Bicycle Ways.** No person may ride a moped or motor bicycle with the power unit in operation upon a bicycle way.
- j) **Riding Bicycle on Bicycle Lane.**
 - 1. Unless two-way traffic is authorized by the Village Board on any portion of a roadway which it has set aside as a bicycle lane and appropriate traffic signs are installed, every person operating a bicycle upon a bicycle lane shall ride in the same direction in which vehicular traffic on the lane of the roadway nearest the bicycle lane is traveling.
 - 2.
 - a. Unless otherwise provided under Subsection (j)(2)b below, a person operating a bicycle may enter or leave a bicycle lane only at intersections or at driveways adjoining the bicycle lane.
 - b. A person may leave a bicycle lane at any point by dismounting from the bicycle and walking it out of the lane. A person may enter a bicycle lane at any point by walking his bicycle into the lane and then mounting it.
 - 3. Every person operating a bicycle upon a bicycle lane shall exercise due care and give an audible signal when passing a bicycle rider proceeding in the same direction.
 - 4. Every operator of a vehicle entering a bicycle lane shall yield the right-of-way to all bicycles in the bicycle lane. Upon leaving a bicycle lane, the operator of a bicycle shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles and pedestrians.
- k) **Riding Bicycle on Bicycle Way.**
 - 1. Every person operating a bicycle upon a bicycle way shall:
 - a. exercise due care and give an audible signal when passing a bicycle rider or a pedestrian proceeding in the same direction.
 - b. Obey each traffic signal or sign facing a roadway which runs parallel and adjacent to a bicycle way.
 - 2. Every person operating a bicycle upon a bicycle way open to two-way traffic shall ride on the right side of the bicycle way.
 - 3. Every operator of a bicycle entering a bicycle way shall yield the right-of-way to all bicycles and pedestrians in the bicycle way.

SEC. 10-2-6 BICYCLE PENALTIES

- a) Any person sixteen (16) years of age or older who shall violate any provision of this Chapter may be issued a Uniform Traffic Citation and be subject to the penalties provided by the Uniform State Traffic Deposit Schedule.
- b) Any person fourteen (14) years of age through fifteen (15) years of age who shall violate any provisions of this Chapter may be issued a citation and be subject to the penalties provided by the Deposit Schedule and, upon conviction thereof, may be subject to the penalties as set forth in Section 1-1-6, together with the cost of the prosecution and, in default of such payment, the Court may suspend the child's operating privileges, as defined in Sec. 340.01, Wis. Stats., for not less than thirty (30) days nor more than ninety (90) days.
- c) Any person under fourteen (14) years of age who shall violate any provision of this Chapter may be issued a special Bicycle Violation Warning Notice along with the following additional actions:
 - 1. First three (3) offenses in one (1) year: A warning letter sent to the parent or guardian.
 - 2. Fourth and subsequent offense in the same year: Mandatory referral to Sheboygan County Juvenile Court.
- d) All violations shall be determined based on the preceding twelve (12) month period to establish which violation has occurred.
- e) Any parent or guardian of any child who authorizes or knowingly permits such child to violate any of the provisions of this Chapter may be subject to the provisions of Sections 346.77 and 346.82(1), Wis. Stats.

SEC. 10-2-7 PLAY VEHICLE PENALTIES

- a) Any person fourteen (14) years of age and over who shall violate any provisions of this Chapter may be issued a citation and be subject to the penalties provided by the deposit schedule and, upon conviction thereof, may be subject to the penalties as set forth in Section 1-1-6), together with the costs of prosecution.
- b) Any person under fourteen (14) years of age who shall violate any provisions of this Chapter may receive an officer's report warning notice along with the following additional actions:
 - 1. First three offenses in one (1) year: A warning letter sent to the parent or guardian.
 - 2. Fourth and subsequent offense in the same year: Mandatory referral to Sheboygan County Juvenile Court.
- c) Any parent or guardian of any child who authorizes or knowingly permits such child to violate any of the provisions of this Chapter may be subject to the provisions of Sections 346.77 and 346.82(1), Wis. Stats.

CHAPTER 3 Snowmobiles

- 10-3-1 State Snowmobile and All-Terrain Vehicle Laws Adopted
- 10-3-2 Applicability of Traffic Regulations to Snowmobiles
- 10-3-3 Unattended Vehicles
- 10-3-4 Operation on Sidewalks Prohibited
- 10-3-5 Snowmobile Routes and Trails Designated
- 10-3-6 Penalty
- 10-3-7 Enforcement

SEC. 10-3-1 STATE SNOWMOBILE AND ALL TERRAIN VEHICLES LAWS ADOPTED

Except as otherwise specifically provided in this Chapter, the statutory provisions describing and defining regulations with respect to snowmobiles in the following enumerated sections of the Wisconsin Statutes are hereby adopted by reference and made part of this Chapter as if fully set forth herein. Acts required to be performed or prohibited by such statutes are required or prohibited by this Chapter. Any future amendments, revisions or modifications of the Statutes incorporated herein by reference are intended to be made part of this Code.

- 350.01 Definitions
- 350.02 Operation of Snowmobiles on or in the Vicinity of Highways
- 350.03 Right-of-Way
- 350.04 Snowmobile Races, Derbies and Routes
- 350.045 Public Utility Exemption
- 350.047 Local Utility Exemption
- 350.05 Operation by Youthful Operators Restricted
- 350.055 Safety Certification Program Established
- 350.06 Firearms and Bows
- 350.07 Driving Animals
- 350.08 Owner Permitting Operation
- 350.09 Head Lamps, Tail Lamps and Brakes, Etc.
- 350.10 Miscellaneous Provisions for Snowmobile Operation
- 350.12 Registration of Snowmobiles
- 350.125 Completion of Application for Registration by Snowmobile Dealers
- 350.13 Uniform Trail Signs and Standards
- 350.15 Accidents and Accident Reports
- 350.17 Enforcement
- 350.18 Local Ordinances
- 350.19 Liability of Landowners
- 350.99 Parties to a Violation

SEC. 10-3-2 APPLICABILITY OF TRAFFIC REGULATIONS TO SNOWMOBILES

No person shall operate a snowmobile upon any street, highway or alley within the Village of Howards Grove in violation of the traffic regulation provisions of Sections 346.04, 346.06, 346.11, 346.14(1), 346.18, 346.19, 346.20, 346.21, 346.26, 346.27, 346.33, 346.35, 346.37, 346.39, 346.40, 346.44, 346.46, 346.47, 346.48, 346.50(l)(b), 346.51, 346.52, 346.53, 346.54,

346.55, 346.87, 346.88, 346.89, 346.90, 346.91, 346.92(1) and 346.94(1), (6), (6m) and (9), Wis. Stats.

SEC. 10-3-3 UNATTENDED VEHICLES

No person shall leave or allow a snowmobile owned or operated by him to remain unattended on any public highway or public property while the motor is running or with the starting key left in the ignition.

SEC. 10-3-4 OPERATION ON SIDEWALKS PROHIBITED

No person shall operate a snowmobile upon any sidewalk, pedestrian way or upon the area between the sidewalk and the curb line of any street in the Village, except as specifically authorized by Section 10-3-5 or for the purpose of crossing to obtain immediate access to an authorized area of operation.

SEC. 10-3-5 SNOWMOBILE ROUTES AND TRAILS DESIGNATED

- a) **Routes Designated.** Except as provided in Sections 350.02 and 350.045 of the Wisconsin Statutes, or for snowmobile events authorized in accordance with Section 350.04. Wis. Stats., no person shall operate a snowmobile upon any public right-of-way, in any public park, or on any other public municipal property in the Village except upon designated snowmobile trails approved by resolution of the Village Board, on file with the Clerk-Treasurer.
- b) **Trail Markers.**
 1. Authorized snowmobile clubs shall be responsible for procuring, erecting and maintaining all necessary signs on all approved routes.
 2. The Village Constable shall have the power to declare the stated snowmobile routes and trails either open or closed.
- c) **Markers to be Obeyed.** No person shall fail to obey any route or trail sign, marker or limit erected in accordance with this Section.

Cross Reference: Section 10-4-2.

SEC. 10-3-6 PENALTY

Any person who shall violate any provision of this Chapter shall, upon conviction thereof, be subject to the penalties as set forth in Section 1-1-6 and, in default of payment thereof, may be imprisoned in the county jail for not exceeding ten (10) days, provided no person shall forfeit an amount in excess of the maximum fine or forfeiture allowed in the Wisconsin Statutes for the same offense and further provided that the penalty and forfeiture for parking violations on highways shall be the amount applicable to such violations by owners or operators of motor vehicles under Title 10, Chapter 1, of this Code of Ordinances.

SEC. 10-3-7 ENFORCEMENT

- a) **Uniform Citation for Highway Violations.** The uniform traffic citation promulgated under Sec. 345.11, Wis. Stats., shall be used for violations of this Chapter relating to highway use except as herein provided.
- b) **Parking Violations.** The special traffic citation described and defined in Title 10, Chapter 1, of this Code of Ordinances shall be used for enforcement of violations of

rules of the road relating to parking of vehicles adopted by reference in Section 10-3-1 of this Chapter.

- c) **Other Violations.** All violations of this Chapter not described in Subsections (a) or (b) shall be enforced in accordance with Sections 66.0114 and 66.0111 of the Wisconsin Statutes. Stipulations of guilt or no contest may be made as provided in Sec. 66.0114(1)(b). Wis. Stats., in substantially the form provided in the uniform traffic citation within five (5) days of the date of the citation for such violation. Bail deposits may also be made under Sec. 66.0114, Wis. Stats.
- d) **Forfeited Penalties and Deposits.** Except as otherwise provided in Sec. 345.26, Wis. Stats., and the deposit schedule adopted by the State Board of Circuit Court Judges thereunder, required penalties and deposits or bail not including costs or fees for violation of this Chapter shall be as established by the schedule adopted by the Village Board.

CHAPTER 4

All-Terrain Vehicles and Off-Road Motor Vehicle Operation

- 10-4-1 State All-Terrain Vehicle Laws Adopted
- 10-4-2 Unauthorized Operation of Motor Vehicles on Public or Private Property
- 10-4-3 Mini-Bikes and Self-Propelled Vehicles Regulated

SEC. 10-4-1 STATE ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE LAWS ADOPTED

The provisions describing and defining regulations with respect to all-terrain vehicles in the following-enumerated Subsections of Sec. 23.33, Wis. Stats., and any future amendments or revisions, are hereby adopted by reference and made part of this Section as if fully set forth herein. The statutory sections adopted by reference herein shall be designated as part of this Code by adding the prefix "10-4-1-" to each statute section number. Any acts required to be performed by the following Statutory Subsections or which are prohibited by such Statutory Subsections are required to be performed by this Section or are prohibited by this Section:

- 23.33(2) Registration
- 23.33(3) Rules of operation [including Subsections (a) through (i)]
- 23.33(4) Operation on or near highway [including Subsections (a) through (e)]
- 23.33(5)(a)(c) Age restrictions
- 23.33(6) Equipment requirements [including Subsections (a) through (e)]
- 23.33(7) Accidents [including Subsections (a) and (b)]
- 23.33(1) Definitions [including Subsections (a) through (n)]

SEC. 10-4-2 UNAUTHORIZED OPERATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES ON PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PROPERTY.

- a) **Purpose.**
 - 1. The unauthorized off-road operation of motor vehicles has resulted in serious damage to public and private lands including damage or destruction of vegetation, animal life and improvement to the lands; and
 - 2. The unauthorized off-road operation of motor vehicles has resulted in the permanent scarring of land and an increase in both erosion and air pollution; and
 - 3. The unauthorized off-road operation of motor vehicles has resulted in collisions and near collisions threatening the life and safety of the operators of such vehicles as well as of other persons; and
 - 4. The unauthorized off-road operation of motor vehicles has resulted in a loss of the privacy, quietude and serenity to which the owners and users of land are rightfully entitled.
- b) **Definitions.** For purposes of this Section, the terms below shall be defined as follows:
 - 1. Unauthorized shall mean without the express prior consent of the owner, lessee, manager or other person authorized to give consent by the owner or lessee of land. Authorization shall not be implied from a failure to post private or public land.
 - 2. Off-Road shall mean any location which:
 - a. is not a paved or maintained public street or alley; or
 - b. is not used or maintained by the owner or lessee of land as a driveway, parking lot or other way for motor vehicles; or
 - c. is a private trail for use only by the owner or his permittees for recreational or other vehicular use. Off-road shall not include any creekbed, riverbed or lake

provided, however, that this Subsection shall not apply to snowmobiles or other vehicles being operated on the ice covering such creekbed, riverbed or lake.

3. Operation shall mean the physical manipulation or activation of any of the controls of a motor vehicle necessary to put it in motion.
 4. Motor Vehicle shall mean, for purposes of this Section, any vehicle which is self-propelled and shall include but not be limited to automobiles, trucks, jeeps, vans, motorcycles, motorbikes, go-karts, motorized three-wheeled vehicles, all-terrain vehicles, mopeds, snowmobiles, dune buggies and tractors. Motor vehicle shall not mean any airplane, railroad train, boat, wheelchair or bicycle. A vehicle which would otherwise be defined as a motor vehicle under this Section shall not be so defined while:
 - a. it is being operated solely for the purpose of construction or maintenance of an improvement to land or solely for access to construction or maintenance sites provided such operation is by persons having legitimate business on such lands or sites;
 - b. it is being operated by or at the direction of public employees or utility company employees as part of their employment duties.
 - c. it is being operated by the holder of an easement or right of access on or over the land on which operation is occurring or the holder's employees or agents.
- c) **Unauthorized Off-road Operation Prohibited.**
1. The unauthorized off-road operation of a motor vehicle is prohibited.
 2. Except for authorized maintenance vehicles and snowmobiles or all-terrain vehicles operating in areas authorized by the Village Board, it shall be unlawful to operate any minibike, go-kart, all-terrain vehicle or any other motor-driven craft or vehicle principally manufactured for off-highway use on the Village streets, alleys, parks, sidewalks, bikeways, parking lots or on any public lands or private lands or parking lots held open to the public. The operator shall at all times have the written consent of the owner before operation of such craft or vehicle on private lands.

SEC 10-4-3 MINI-BIKES AND SELF-PROPELLED VEHICLES REGULATED

- a) **Definitions.** The following definitions shall be applicable in this Section:
 1. Mini-Bike. Any motorized vehicle primarily used for transportation or sport, including, but not limited to, motorcycles, off-the-road trail bikes and motorized bicycles.
 2. Self-Propelled Vehicles. Any motorized vehicle primarily used for off-the-road use, including but not limited to, go-carts, all-terrain vehicles and all other vehicles not registered pursuant to Chapter 341 of the Wisconsin Statutes, but not snowmobiles.
 3. Motorized Vehicle. Any self-propelled device in, upon or by which any person or property is or may be transported.
 4. Highway. All public ways and thoroughfares and bridges of the same. It includes the entire highway right-of-way width, not limited to the actual traveled portion, but also includes the shoulders, ditches and other areas adjacent thereto.
- b) **Operation of Mini-Bikes and Self-Propelled Vehicles.** No person shall operate a mini-bike or self-propelled vehicle in the Village of Howards Grove in the following manner:
 1. At a rate of speed that is unreasonable or imprudent under the circumstances.
 2. In any careless way so as to endanger the person or property of another.
 3. While under the influence of intoxicating liquor, fermented malt beverages, narcotics or other controlled substances.
 4. In such a way that the exhaust of the motor makes an excessive or unusual noise.
 5. Without a functioning muffler.

6. Upon any public highway, street or alley, or upon any sidewalk or parkway in the Village of Howards Grove unless such vehicle is registered as required by Chapter 341 of the Wisconsin Statutes, and its operation and operator are specifically permitted to operate the said vehicle by the Wisconsin Statutes.
 7. Upon any slide, ski or skating area, except for the purposes of serving the area or crossing the places where marked.
 8. Upon any lands owned, operated or leased by the Village of Howards Grove.
 9. Upon a cemetery, burial ground, school or church property, without the express consent of the owner.
- c) **Liability of Parent or Guardian.** No parent or guardian of any child under the age of eighteen (18) years shall authorize or permit such child to violate any of the provisions of this Section. Any child under the age of eighteen (18) years who shall operate a mini-bike or self-propelled device shall be presumed to be operating said vehicle under the authority of a parent or guardian.
- d) **Penalties.** Any person convicted of violating this Subsection shall be subject to the penalties as set forth in Section 1-1-6.

CHAPTER 5
Abandoned, Public Nuisance and Junked Vehicles

- 10-5-1 Abandoned Vehicles; Definitions
- 10-5-2 Removal and Impoundment of Vehicles
- 10-5-3 Removal, Storage, Notice or Reclaimer of Abandoned Vehicles
- 10-5-4 Disposal of Abandoned Vehicles
- 10-5-5 Report of Sale or Disposal
- 10-5-6 Owner Responsible for impoundment and Disposal Costs
- 10-5-7 Conflict with Other Code Provisions
- 10-5-8 Junked and Public Nuisance Vehicles and Appliances on Private Property

SEC. 10-5-1 ABANDONED VEHICLES; DEFINITONS

- a) **Abandonment of Vehicles Prohibited.** No person shall leave unattended any motor vehicle, trailer, semi trailer or mobile home on any public street or highway or private or public property in the Village of Howards Grove for such time and under such circumstances as to cause the vehicle to reasonably appear to have been abandoned. Whenever any such vehicle has been left unattended on any street or highway in the Village of Howards Grove or upon private or public property without the permission of the property owner or other person charged with the lawful jurisdiction thereof for more than forty-eight (48) hours, the vehicle shall be deemed abandoned and constitutes a public nuisance.
- b) **Definitions.** For purposes of this Chapter, the following definitions shall be applicable:
 - 1. Vehicle shall mean a motor vehicle, trailer, semi trailer or mobile home, whether or not such vehicle is registered under Wisconsin Law.
 - 2. Unattended shall mean unmoved from its location with no obvious sign of continuous human use.
 - 3. Street shall mean any public highway or alley and shall mean the entire width between the boundary lines of any public way where any part thereof is open to the public for purposes of vehicular traffic.
- c) **Presumptions.** For purposes of this Section, the following irrebuttable presumptions shall apply:
 - 1. A vehicle shall be presumed unattended if it is found in the same position forty-eight (48) hours after issuance of a traffic ticket or citation and if such traffic ticket or citation remains placed upon the windshield during said forty-eight (48) hours.
 - 2. Any vehicle left unattended for more than forty-eight (48) hours on any public street or public ground or left unattended for more than forty-eight (48) hours on private property without the consent of the property owner is deemed abandoned and constitutes a nuisance; provided, that the vehicle shall not be deemed abandoned under this Subsection if left unattended on private property outside of public view and is enclosed within a building, or if designated as not abandoned by the Village Board or a law enforcement officer.
- d) **Exceptions.** This Section shall not apply to a vehicle in an enclosed building or a vehicle stored on a premises licensed for storage of junk or junked vehicles and fully in compliance with Village zoning regulations, or to a vehicle parked in a paid parking lot or space where the required fee has been paid.

SEC. 10-5-2 REMOVAL AND IMPOUNDMENT OF VEHICLES

Any vehicle in violation of this Chapter shall be removed and impounded until lawfully claimed or disposed of under the provisions of Section 10-5-3.

SEC. 10-5-3 REMOVAL, STORAGE, NOTICE OR RECLAIMER OF ABANDONED VEHICLES

- a) **Applicability.** The provisions of this Section shall apply to the removal, storage, notice, reclaimer or disposal of abandoned vehicles as defined in Section 10-5-1.
- b) **Removal.**
 1. Any law enforcement officer who discovers any motor vehicle, trailer, semi trailer or mobile home on any public street or highway or private or public property in the Village of Howards Grove which has been abandoned shall cause the vehicle to be removed to a suitable place of impoundment.
 2. Upon removal of the vehicle, the law enforcement officer shall notify the Village of the abandonment and of the location of the impounded vehicle.
- c) **Storage and Reclaimer.** Any abandoned vehicle which is determined by the Village Board, or its designee, or a law enforcement officer to be abandoned shall be retained in storage for a period of fourteen (14) days after certified mail notice, as hereinafter provided, has been sent to the Wisconsin titled owner and/or secured party of record with the Wisconsin Motor Vehicle Division, except that if the Village Board, or its designee, or a law enforcement officer, determines an abandoned vehicle to have a value of less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), or that the cost of towing and storage charges for impoundment will exceed the value of the vehicle, it may be junked or sold by direct sale to a licensed salvage dealer after having been retained in storage for a period of seven (7) days and after certified mail notice, as hereinafter provided, has been sent to the Wisconsin titled owner or secured party of record with the Wisconsin Motor Vehicle Division, provided that it is first determined that the vehicle is not reported stolen or wanted for evidence or other reason. All substantially complete vehicles in excess of nineteen (19) model years of age shall be deemed as having value in excess of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00). Any such vehicle which may be lawfully reclaimed may be released upon the payment of all accrued charges, including towing, storage and notice charges and upon presentation of the vehicle title or other satisfactory evidence to the Village Board, or its designee, or a law enforcement officer, to prove an ownership or secured party interest in said vehicle.
- d) **Notice to Owner or Secured Party.** Certified mail notice, as referred to herein, shall notify the Wisconsin titled owner of the abandoned vehicle, if any, and/or the secured party of record with the Wisconsin Motor Vehicle Division, if any, of the following:
 1. That the vehicle has been deemed abandoned and impounded by the Village of Howards Grove;
 2. The "determined value" of the abandoned vehicle;
 3. If the cost of towing and storage costs will exceed the determined value of the vehicle;
 4. That if the vehicle is not wanted for evidence or other reason, the vehicle may be reclaimed upon the payment of all accrued charges, including towing, storage and notice charges, within fourteen (14) days of the date of notice, unless the vehicle has been determined to have a value less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or that the cost of towing and storage charges for impoundment will exceed the value of the vehicle, in which case the vehicle may be reclaimed within seven (7) days upon the payment of the aforesaid charges; and

5. That the owner or aforesaid secured party may, upon request, be granted a hearing relating to tile determinations made with respect to said vehicle within the period that such vehicles may be reclaimed.

SEC. 10-5-4 DISPOSAL OF ABANDONED VEHICLES

Any abandoned vehicle impounded by the Village which has not been reclaimed or junked or sold by direct sale to a licensed salvage dealer pursuant to the provisions of this Chapter may be sold by public auction sale or public sale calling for the receipt of sealed bids. A Class I Notice, including the description of the vehicles, the name(s) and address(es) of the Wisconsin titled owner and secured party of record, if known, and the time of sale shall be published before the sale.

SEC. 10-5-5 REPORT OF SALE OR DISPOSAL

Within five (5) days after the direct sale or disposal of a vehicle as provided for herein, the Village Board, or its designee, or a law enforcement officer, shall advise the State of Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Division of Motor Vehicles, of such sale or disposal on a form supplied by said Division. A copy of the form shall be given to the purchaser of the vehicle enabling the purchaser to obtain a regular certificate of title for the vehicle. The purchaser shall have ten (10) days to remove the vehicle from the storage area but shall pay a reasonable storage fee established by the Village for each day the vehicle remains in storage after the second business day subsequent to the sale date. Ten (10) days after the sale, the purchaser shall forfeit all interest in the vehicle and the vehicle shall be deemed to be abandoned and may be sold again. Any listing of vehicles to be sold by the Village shall be made available to any interested person or organization which makes a written request for such list.

SEC. 10-5-6 OWNER RESPONSIBLE FOR IMPOUNDMENT AND DISPOSAL COSTS

- a) The owner of any abandoned vehicle, except a stolen vehicle, is responsible for the abandonment and all costs of impounding and disposing of the vehicle. Costs not covered from the sale of the vehicle may be recovered in a civil action by the Village against the owner.
- b) Payment of removal and impoundment costs is not required when the vehicle has been impounded for purposes of law enforcement investigation.

SEC. 10-5-7 CONFLICT WITH OTHER CODE PROVISIONS

In the event of any conflict between this Section and any other provisions of this Municipal Code, this Chapter shall control.

SEC. 10-5-8 JUNKED AND PUBLIC NUISANCE VEHICLES AND APPLIANCES ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

- a) **Storage Restrictions.** No disassembled, inoperable, unlicensed, junked or wrecked motor vehicles, truck bodies, tractors, trailers, or farm machinery, industrial machinery, vehicle parts or tires, or appliances shall be stored unenclosed upon private residential property or upon nonresidential property within the Village of Howards Grove for a period exceeding ten (10) days unless it is in connection with an authorized business enterprise located in a properly zoned area maintained in such a manner as to not constitute a public nuisance. As they are used in this Section, the terms vehicle and appliance shall

include all articles described in this paragraph, and as described in Item (b) Definitions. In addition, regardless of its licensing or condition, no truck body, semi-tractor trailer, ocean container or vehicle may be used, parked or maintained for a period exceeding 15 days for the primary purpose of sheltering or enclosing persons or property, rather than transportation or mobile shop that is transported to a off premise building site, unless enclosed in a building or structure that complies with all zoning and building code regulations.

b) **Definitions.**

1. The term "disassembled, inoperable, junked or wrecked motor vehicles, truck bodies, tractors, trailers" as used in this Section is defined as follows: motor vehicles, recreational vehicles, truck bodies, tractors, or trailers in such state of physical or mechanical ruin as to be incapable of propulsion, being operated upon the public streets or highways or which is otherwise not in safe or legal condition for operation on public streets or highways due to missing or inoperative parts, flat or removed tires, expired or missing license plates or other defects.
2. The term "farm machinery" as used in this Section is defined as follows: mechanical devices primarily used on agricultural or dairy farms. Examples include but are not limited to harvester, baler, combine, harrow, drill, multiple bottom plow, cultivator, planter, thresher, or windrower. The term "farm machinery" as used in this Section is not intended to include common lawn and garden equipment such as riding lawn mowers and their attachments.
3. The term "industrial machinery" as used in this Section is defined as follows: mechanical devices primarily used in an industrial setting in connection with an authorized business enterprise located in a properly zoned area.
4. The term "unlicensed - motor vehicles, truck bodies, tractors or trailers" as used in this Chapter is defined as follows: motor vehicles, truck bodies, tractors, recreational vehicles or trailers which do not bear lawful current license plates.
5. The term "motor vehicle" is defined in Sec. 340.01(35), Wis. Stats.
6. The term "inoperable appliance" is defined as any stove, washer, refrigerator or other appliance which is no longer operable in the sense for which it was manufactured.

c) **Exceptions.** This Section shall not apply to any motor vehicle or motor vehicle accessories stored within an enclosed building or on the premises of a business enterprise operated in a lawful place and manner in a properly zoned area when necessary to the operation of such business enterprise, in a storage place or depository maintained in a lawful place and manner, or seasonal use vehicles such as snowmobiles, motorcycles, motor scooters and nonmotorized campers, provided such vehicles are stored in compliance with the ordinances of the Village. Also excepted are motor vehicles registered pursuant to Sections 341.265 and 341.266, Wis. Stats. In other situations the Village Board may issue temporary permits permitting an extension of not to exceed an additional thirty (30) days' time to comply with this Section where exceptional facts and circumstances warrant such extension.

d) **Enforcement.**

1. Whenever the Village Board, its authorized designee, or a law enforcement officer, shall find any vehicles, vehicle parts or tires, trailers, containers, or appliances, as described herein, placed or stored in the open upon private property within the Village, it shall notify the owner of said property on which said vehicle, parts, trailer, container or appliance is stored of the violation of this Section. If said vehicles, part thereof, trailer, container or appliance is not removed within five (5) days, the Village Board, its authorized designee, or a law enforcement officer, shall cause to be issued a citation to the property owner or tenant of the property upon which said vehicle or appliance is stored.

2. If such vehicle, parts thereof, trailer, container or appliance is not removed within twenty (20) days after issuance of a citation, the Village Board, its authorized designee, or a law enforcement officer, shall cause the vehicle or appliance to be removed and impounded, and it shall thereafter be disposed of as prescribed in Sections 10-5-3 through 10-5-6 by the Village Board, its authorized designee, or a law enforcement officer. Any cost incurred in the removal and sale of said vehicle, parts thereof, trailer, container or appliance shall be recovered from the owner. If the owner does not pay the cost within 30 days of the invoice, the cost of such removal shall be charged to the property from which it is removed, which charges shall be entered as a special charge on the tax roll.
- e) **Penalty.** Any person who shall interfere with the enforcement of any of the provisions of this Section and shall be found guilty thereof shall be subject to a penalty as provided in Section 1-1-6. Each motor vehicle, truck body, trailer, container or appliance involved shall constitute a separate offense.

State Law Reference: Sec. 342.40, Wis. Stats.