

# Chapter 6 - MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC

## ARTICLE I. - IN GENERAL

### Sec. 6-1. - Statutes adopted.

There is hereby adopted by reference the provisions of the Illinois Vehicle Code (620 ILCS 5/1-100 through 20-204), except for those administrative provisions which by their nature can have no application to the village.

**State law reference**— Power of corporate authorities to adopt Illinois Vehicle Code by reference, 620 ILCS 5/20-204.

### Sec. 6-2. - Enforcement.

The police department shall enforce the provisions of this chapter and all police officers are hereby authorized to direct traffic.

**State law reference**— Obedience to police, 620 ILCS 5/20-203.

### Sec. 6-3. - Truck traffic regulated; exemptions; violation, penalty.

(a) It shall be unlawful and punishable as hereinafter provided for any truck or other vehicle having a gross weight in excess of twenty thousand (20,000) pounds (10 tons) to travel on the streets designated as truck routes.

(b) It shall be unlawful and punishable as hereinafter provided to operate any vehicle having a gross vehicle weight in excess of ten thousand (10,000) pounds (5 tons) on any street or alley of the village which is not designated as a truck route.

(c) The limitations hereinabove set forth shall not apply to occasional individual trips for the purpose of picking up or delivering merchandise or building materials, including earth and salvage materials. Said limitations shall also not apply to farmers when they are engaged in any farm-related business and/or activity.

(d) Any person operating a vehicle in violation of the provisions hereof shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction thereof shall be fined not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) nor more than two hundred dollars (\$200.00) for a first offense and shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each subsequent offense occurring within any twelve-month period.

## ARTICLE II. - STOPPING, STANDING OR PARKING

### Sec. 6-4. - Parking during snowfall.

(a) *Prohibited between certain hours.* In order to facilitate snow removal during any period when there is an accumulation of one (1) or more inches of snow in the village, it shall be unlawful for any person or persons to park any wheeled vehicle or to permit any wheeled vehicle to remain parked on streets of the city which are designated on the plat which is by this reference thereto expressly incorporated herein between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 8:00 a.m.

(b) *Violation a misdemeanor.* Any person parking any such vehicle or permitting any such vehicle to remain on the designated streets in violation of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction thereof shall be fined not less than twenty-five (\$25.00) nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

(c) *Towing of vehicle.* Any such vehicle in violation of the provisions hereof may be towed away, and the cost of such towing shall be assessed against the owner thereof in addition to the fine hereinabove provided for.

**State law reference**— Power of village to prohibit parking during snow removal operations, 625 ILCS 5/11-208.

### Sec. 6-5. - Parking of garbage trucks or construction machinery.

It shall be unlawful for any person to park or cause to be parked on any street or alley any garbage truck or any construction machinery between of 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.

### Sec. 6-6. - Travel trailers, boat trailers, etc.

It shall be unlawful for any person to park any boat trailer, travel trailer or other vehicle which is not self-propelled on any street.

### Sec. 6-7. - Obstruction of crosswalks, sidewalks or driveways.

It shall be unlawful for any person to park or leave standing any motor vehicle on any crosswalk, sidewalk or private driveway in such manner which hinders public vehicular traffic or which causes pedestrian traffic to exit the crosswalk or sidewalk and enter that portion of an adjacent public right-of-way utilized for general vehicular through traffic. It shall also be unlawful for anyone to park in such a manner as to block any mailbox located within the Village.

### Sec. 6-8. - Repairing vehicles on streets.

No person shall park a vehicle upon the streets for the purpose of repairing such vehicle; provided, however, that the provisions of this section shall not apply to emergency repairs.

#### Sec. 6-9. - Junk vehicles.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to store, place or keep any wrecked, damaged, disabled or inoperable automobile upon any lot, parcel or tract of land, unless garaged, for more than twenty (20) days.

(b) Subsection (a) shall not apply to the storage of vehicles at any recognized public garage or body repair shops that complies with all ordinances of this village; provided such storage does not exceed thirty (30) days.

(c) It shall be unlawful for any person to place, store, park or keep any wrecked, damaged, disabled or inoperable automobile or other vehicle, upon the public streets for more than twenty-four (24) hours.

(d) Any vehicle parked, stored or placed upon public property as set forth in subsection (c) shall be subject to removal and its owner shall be charged, as a part of any fine imposed upon him, the costs of towing, storage and other expenses in connection with the removal of said vehicle.

#### Sec. 6-10. - Parking of trailers on streets.

(a) *Prohibited.* It shall be unlawful and punishable as hereinafter provided to park any trailer on any street or alley of the village unless same is attached to an operable motor vehicle which is specifically designed or equipped to tow said trailer.

(b) *Definition.* For the purposes of this section, a trailer is defined as any wheeled vehicle which is not equipped with an independent power propulsion force of its own and which is designed to be towed by another vehicle equipped with a power source.

(c) *Violation, penalty.* Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction thereof shall be fined not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

#### Sec. 6-11. - Parking on truck routes.

(a) It shall be unlawful and punishable as hereinafter provided to park any motor vehicle having a gross weight in excess of twenty thousand (20,000) pounds (10 tons) on any street which has heretofore been or may hereafter be designated as a truck route by ordinance duly enacted by the village board.

(b) Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction thereof shall be fined not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

Sec. 6-12. - Parking on Village streets.

(a) It shall be unlawful and punishable as hereinafter provided to park any motor vehicle less than ten (10) feet from the intersection of First Street and any cross street it intersects with, less than ten (10) feet from the intersection of Vicki Lynn Drive and any cross street it intersects with, less than ten (10) feet from the intersection of Schoolhouse Road and any cross street it intersects with and less than ten (10) feet from the intersection of Mapleton Road and any cross street it intersects with.

(b) Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction thereof shall be fined not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

Sec. 6-13. - Towing of illegally parked vehicles; towing and storage charge.

(a) Any vehicle parked on any street or alley in the village in violation of any traffic or parking ordinance of said village shall be towed to a storage area or place to be designated from time to time by the code enforcement officer of the city.

(b) In the event the owner or operator of the motor vehicle which was towed to a designated place of storage, as hereinabove provided, is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to have parked said motor vehicle in violation of a valid law or ordinance then, in addition to any fine or other penalty imposed for a violation of said parking law or ordinance, there is hereby imposed a charge of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for towing said motor vehicle and, in addition a daily charge of two dollars (\$2.00) for the storage thereof.

Sec. 6-14. - Parking of motor vehicles on residential lots.

No person shall park any motor vehicle in the front yard of any lot containing a residential structure and located in zoning districts R-1, R-2, and R-3, except on a driveway which complies with the requirements of the zoning ordinance. Further, no owner, occupant, or person in control of private property shall knowingly allow or permit any vehicle to be parked in the front yard of any residential structure located in a R-1, R-2, or R-3 zoning district except on a driveway which complies with the requirements of the zoning ordinance.

Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be issued a written administrative notice of violation. The notice shall indicate that such person may pay as a penalty for, and in full satisfaction of the violation, within seven (7) days from the time the notice of violation was issued, a fine in the amount of fifteen dollars (\$15.00) if such violation is the first violation within a calendar year or a fine of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for each violation subsequent to the first violation within a calendar year. The fine may be paid by delivering a check or money order to the village clerk at the village hall. Failure of such person to make such payment within seven (7) days of issuance shall render such person subject to the general penalty for violations of the Mapleton Village Code as contained in [section 1-9](#). The notice shall also state that failure to pay the appropriate fine within the time indicated in this section shall render such person subject to a formal ordinance violation citation requiring appearance in the county circuit court.