

CHAPTER 6

TRAFFIC AND SNOWMOBILE RULES AND REGULATIONS

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6.01 Authority. This chapter is created and adopted pursuant to the authority contained in Wis. Stat. §§ 349.06 and 350.18.

6.02 Definitions. Unless a different meaning is expressly provided, the words and phrases defined in Wis. Stat. § 340.01 are hereby adopted and incorporated within this ordinance as if fully defined herein.

6.03 Provisions of State Law Adopted by Reference. Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 349.06, all traffic regulations contained in Wis. Stat. chs. 341 through 348, Wis. Stat. ch. 350, and Wis. Admin. Code § Trans. 305 are herein adopted and incorporated by reference, including any existing and future amendments thereto and including all future and existing rules of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation. Any act required to be performed or prohibited by a statute incorporated herein by reference is required or prohibited by this ordinance.

6.04 Disturbance of the Peace with a Motor Vehicle. No operator of any motor vehicle, including motorcycles, all-terrain vehicles and motor bicycles, shall cause, by excessive and unnecessary acceleration, the tires of such motor vehicle to spin and emit loud noises or to unnecessarily throw stones or gravel; nor shall such operator cause to be made by excessive and unnecessary acceleration of an engine any loud noise as would disturb the public peace.

6.05 Parking in Certain Areas Prohibited. (1) No person shall leave or park any motor vehicle, whether temporarily or otherwise, upon any highway within Sauk County in violation of

Wis. Stat. §§ 346.51 through 346.55 except as provided in Wis. Stat. § 346.50.

(2) No person shall leave or park any motor vehicle, whether temporarily or otherwise, upon any highway within Sauk County in violation of Wis. Stat. § 346.505 except as provided in Wis. Stat. § 346.50.

6.06 Penalties. (1) Except as otherwise provided herein, the penalty for violation of any provision of this ordinance shall be a forfeiture as specified in the Wisconsin Statute or a deposit as specified in the deposit schedule established by the judicial conference pursuant to Wis. Stat. §345.26 (2)(a) and any amendments thereto.

(a) The forfeiture for violation of Sauk Co. Code § 6.05(1) shall be \$20.00, together with the cost of prosecution and such other costs as are provided for in Wis. Stat. ch. 345.

(b) The forfeiture for violations of Sauk Co. Code §6.05 (2) shall be \$150.00, together with the cost of prosecution and such other costs as are provided for in Wis. Stat. ch. 345.

(c) If the forfeiture is not paid within 10 days of its issuance, the forfeiture amount expressed above shall double.

(d) If an operator of a vehicle violates any of those sections of this ordinance in strict conformity with Wis. Stat. §§ 346.04 (1) or (2), 346.18 (6), 346.27, 346.37, 346.39, 346.46 (1), 346.57 (2), (3), (4) (d) to (h) or (5) or 346.62 (2) where persons are engaged in work in a highway maintenance or construction area or in a utility work area are at risk from traffic, the forfeiture or fine for the violation shall be doubled.

(e) Any vehicle parked or left standing upon a highway, street or alley, or other public grounds in violation of any of the provisions of this section is declared to be a hazard to traffic and public safety.

Such vehicle shall be removed by the operator, upon request of the sheriff or deputy sheriff, to a position where parking, stopping or standing is not prohibited. Any deputy sheriff, after issuing a citation for illegal parking, stopping or standing of an unattended vehicle in violation of this code, is authorized to remove such vehicle to a position where parking is not prohibited. 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 storage garage, or rental parking grounds, or any facility of the person providing the towing and services. In addition to other penalties provided by this chapter, the owner or operator of a vehicle so removed shall pay the cost of towing and storage.

(2) OTHER SANCTIONS. (a) The procedures applicable to nonmoving violations in Wis. Stat. § 345.28, including suspension or refusal of vehicle registration, are adopted and authorized herein.

(b) The enforcement of this section shall be accomplished by issuing a citation to the registered owner of the vehicle, such citation to be clearly affixed in a conspicuous place upon the vehicle.

(c) The circuit court may require compulsory safety school attendance for violations of Wis. Stat. §§ 346.01 to 348.28.

6.07 Enforcement. The provisions of this chapter may be enforced by the Sauk County Sheriff's Department. Sworn law enforcement officers at all levels within the County shall have authority to issue citations or complaints for violations of this Chapter. This Chapter shall be enforced in the same manner as prescribed by the provisions of Wis. Stat. §§ 345.20 through 345.53.

6.08 Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances. All ordinances regulating traffic upon the streets, alleys and highways of Sauk County, Wisconsin, and all ordinances or parts of ordinances heretofore enacted by the County Board of Sauk County, Wisconsin, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

(Baraboo News Republic). Section 6.02 created by Ordinance No. 34-97 and adopted by the Sauk County Board of Supervisors on April 15, 1997. Repealed and recreated by the Sauk County Board of Supervisors on October 19, 2010 - Ordinance No. 120 -10. Amended by the Sauk County Board of Supervisors on June 17, 2014 - Ordinance No. 3-14. Amended by the Sauk County Board of Supervisors on July 21, 2015 - Ordinance No. 8-15.