

VILLAGE OF ROSCOMMON
ORDINANCE #70

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING TRAFFIC AND PARKING

THE VILLAGE OF ROSCOMMON ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. Definitions:

- a. Motor Vehicle: Every vehicle that is self-propelled.
- b. Trailer: Any motor vehicle drawn apparatus. May be used for transportation of goods, merchandise, or other materials from one destination to another.
- c. Parked: A standing vehicle, whether occupied or not, upon a street, alley, right of way, or State Highway, when not loading or unloading, except when making necessary repairs.

SECTION 2.

(a) There shall be no parking of any motor vehicle or trailer on any street, alley, or Village maintained right of way within the limits of the Village of Roscommon at any time between the hours of 2:00 A.M. and 7:00 A.M. of any day of the week. It shall be lawful for the Village Street Administrator, or any designated enforcement personnel acting under his direction, to remove or cause to be removed to a designated area, any vehicle or trailer parking in violation of this section. The Village of Roscommon or its designated enforcement personnel shall not be liable for any damage caused to said vehicle by reason of such removal.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any motor vehicle or trailer to be parked for a continuous period to exceed 2 hours between the hours of 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. on Fifth Street between George Street and Shelley Street or on Lake Street between First Street and Sixth Street.

It shall be unlawful for any motor vehicle or trailer to be parked for a continuous period to exceed 2 hours between the hours of 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. on the southwest side of South Fourth Street, in the area between the two curb cuts of the county parking lot. No parking is allowed on the remaining portion of the southwest side of South Fourth.

(c) It shall be unlawful for any motor vehicle or trailer to be parked for a continuous period to exceed two hours between the hours of 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. on the Northeast side of South Fourth Street between Lake Street and George Street or either side of south Third Street between Lake Street and George Street.

(d) It shall be unlawful for trucks weighing over 6000 pounds or tractor and semitrailer, either individually or in combination, to be parked along the right of way adjacent to, or within the front yard setback, of a residential home, unless actively loading or unloading.

Trucks weighing over 6000 pounds or tractor and semitrailer, either individually or in combination, can be parked in the side yards or back yards of residential homes, or within the front yard set back when parked on an established driveway which is perpendicular to the traveled roadway. Parking of such vehicles must be done in a manner so as to remain clear of any public sidewalk and not be within 18 feet of a traveled edge of the improved roadway in front of such residence.

(e) The area on the Southwest side of South Fourth Street, starting 50 feet from the intersection and continuing to the first curb cut from Lake Street for the county parking lot, shall be designated a bus loading/unloading zone.

(f) South Third Street between Lake Street and George Street shall be a one-way street with traffic flow in a southeast direction only from Lake Street to George Street.

SECTION 3. It shall be unlawful for any motor vehicle or trailer to be parked on the street side of any vehicle stopped or parked at the edge or curb of a street or State Highway within the village limits of the Village of Roscommon.

SECTION 4. No vehicle shall be parked with the left side of such vehicle next to the curb or shoulder of the road. It shall be unlawful for any motor vehicle or trailer to be stopped or parked upon a street, alley, or right of way within the limits of the Village of Roscommon unless the right hand wheels of such vehicle are stopped or parked parallel to and within 8 inches of the right hand curb or edge of such street, alley or right of way, except streets that have been marked for angle parking. Vehicles shall be parked at the angle to the curb indicated by such marks.

SECTION 5. It shall be unlawful for any motor vehicle or trailer to remain standing for the purposes of loading or unloading goods or merchandise to the business establishments in the Village of Roscommon for any period in excess of 60 minutes.

SECTION 6. It shall be unlawful to permit any vehicle or trailer to stand in any of the following places at any time except when necessary to avoid conflict with the other traffic or in compliance with the directions of a policeman or traffic control device.

1. In any intersection.
2. In a crosswalk.
3. Within twenty feet of any intersection or crosswalk.
4. Within fifteen feet of a fire hydrant.
5. At any place where the vehicle would block any portion of a driveway.
6. On any sidewalk.

7. Within thirty (30) feet of any flashing beacon, stop sign, or traffic control signal located at the side of the street.
8. Within fifty (50) feet of the nearest rail of a railroad crossing.
9. Within twenty (20) feet of the driveway entrance to any fire station, and on the side of the street opposite the entrance to any fire station within seventy-five (75) feet of said entrance when properly sign posted.
10. Alongside or opposite any street excavation or obstruction when such stopping, standing or parking would endanger traffic.
11. Upon any bridge, culvert or other elevated structure.
12. In any place or in any manner so as to block immediate egress from any emergency exit or exits buildings conspicuously marked as such.
13. At any place where official signs prohibit stopping.
14. At any time on the following streets, specifically described as follows:
 - a. Division Street from Lake Street to George Street.
 - b. George Street from Second Street to Fourth Street.
 - c. Northeast side of South Fourth Street from Lake Street to George Street except for portion of street designated in section 2c.
 - e. Southwest side of South Fourth Street except for the portion of the street designated in section 2c.
 - d. Northeast side of South Third Street from Lake Street for a distance of 228 feet towards George Street.
15. Within designated reight of way located adjacent to Water Filing Station on S. Main Street.

SECTION 7. No person shall park any vehicle in the Village of Roscommon municipal parking lot between the hours of 2:00 o'clock a.m. and 7:00 o'clock a.m. No trucks weighing over 6000 pounds or tractor and semi-trailers, either individually or in combination, shall be parked in the municipal lot.

SECTION 8. It shall be unlawful for any person to drive at a greater speed than twenty-five (25) miles per hour within the residential limits of the Village of Roscommon.

SECTION 9. The Village Manager or an authorized representative shall cause signs to be posted in all areas where parking is limited or prohibited, indicating such limitations or prohibitions.

SECTION 10. Emergency Vehicles:

a. Upon the approach of any fire, ambulance, or police vehicle giving audible signal by siren, exhaust whistle or bell, the driver of every other vehicle shall immediately drive the same to a position as near as possible and parallel to the curb or side of street, clear of any intersection of streets, and shall stop and remain in such position until the fire, ambulance, or police vehicle has passed, unless otherwise directed by a police or traffic officer.

b. It shall be unlawful for the driver of any vehicle other than one on official business to follow any fire, ambulance, or police vehicle travelling in response to an alarm, closer than five hundred (500) feet or to drive into or park such vehicle within five hundred (500) feet of where emergency vehicle has stopped.

c. No motor vehicle shall be driven over any hose of any fire department when hose is laid down in any street or alley or private driveway, to be used at any fire or alarm of fire unless with the consent of the fire department official in charge.

SECTION 11. Stop Streets:

It shall be unlawful for the driver of any vehicle to enter on any through street so designated by stop signs at the right hand curb or street edge of the intersection street, without first bringing the vehicle to a complete stop, and then to enter when traffic on the through street is cleared so no accident will be caused by such entry.

Police, fire or ambulance and such emergency vehicles, only when answering alarms and emergency calls and advertising such emergency by audible sounds, siren or bell, are exempt from making a complete stop at signed intersections. This exemption does not waive any liability of drivers of emergency response vehicles if they fail to exercise proper caution when approaching intersections.

SECTION 12. Funeral Processions or Authorized Parades:

a. It shall be unlawful for the driver of any vehicle (except fire apparatus, police patrol or ambulance when answering emergency calls) to cut into or in any other way obstruct or interfere with the passage of any funeral procession where such procession is marked by the necessary flags and illuminated headlights to so indicate.

b. It shall be unlawful for any except emergency vehicles as described above to cross through or in any way intercept or disrupt any authorized parade on any street in the Village.

SECTION 13. It shall be unlawful for any person to drive, push or tow, any vehicle or trailer whose total weight of vehicle and load, or trailer and load, exceeds 5 tons (10,000 pounds), over and/or across the bridges located on Main Street and on Fourth Street, said bridges spanning Robinson Creek and/or Tank Creek within the Village of Roscommon.

Any person or corporation responsible for such driving, pulling or pushing of vehicle or trailer, weighing in excess of 5 tons including the load on said vehicle or trailer, across said bridge, which use thereof shall cause such bridge to be damaged, shall be liable for said damage to said bridge.

SECTION 14. Violation of any provisions of this ordinance shall be construed as a Civil Infraction. Violators shall be issued a Civil Infraction Citation to appear in District Court within ten (10) days, and shall subject the violator to a monetary fine of Ten (\$10.00) Dollars. Further action shall follow same procedural steps as in Civil Infraction cases in the District Court as provided for by the State of Michigan.

SECTION 15. Ordinances or parts of ordinances conflicting with the above are hereby repealed. Sections of this ordinance shall be determined severable and should any section or provision of this ordinance be declared by the courts to be invalid or unconstitutional, the same shall not effect the validity of the ordinance as a whole, or any part thereof other than the part so declared to be unconstitutional or invalid.

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