

CHAPTER 13

OUTDOOR STORAGE OR ABANDONMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

13.01 PURPOSE.

An ordinance to regulate the abandonment of motor vehicles; the outdoor storage of dismantled or inoperable motor vehicles, and to provide penalties for the violation thereof.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF AMENDMENT: AUGUST 26, 1987.

13.02 DEFINITIONS:

A. Motor vehicle: means any wheeled vehicle intended to be partially or totally self-propelled. Farm tractors shall be included as motor vehicles.

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B. Inoperable motor vehicles: means any motor vehicle which by reason of dismantling, disrepair, or any other cause, is incapable of being propelled under its own power.

C. Dismantled motor vehicle: means any motor vehicle from which some part of parts ordinarily a component of such motor vehicle has been removed or is missing.

D. Abandoned vehicle: means any motor vehicle which has remained on public or private property for a period of 48 hours after any police office has affixed a written notice to the vehicle.

13.03 No person, firm or corporation shall:

1. Abandon any motor vehicle in the City of Lapeer.

2. Except as specifically permitted in Chapter 7 (Zoning Ordinance), park, store, or permit the parking or storing of any improperly registered, unlicensed, dismantled or inoperable motor vehicle for more than ten (10) days in any one (1) calendar year, unless said motor vehicle is located in an enclosed building.

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13.04 PENALTIES.

Violators of this Ordinance shall be subject to a maximum fine of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) and/or to imprisonment in the Lapeer County Jail for a period of up to ninety (90) days.

13.05 NUISANCE.

The presence of a dismantled or inoperable motor vehicle, or parts thereof, on any property in violation of this Ordinance is hereby declared to be a public nuisance.

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13.06 CONSTRUCTION

This Ordinance shall not be construed as repealing, modifying, or restricting any other ordinance or State law now in effect or hereafter made effective (effective date of amendment: August 16, 1987)

EFFECTIVE DATE OF CHAPTER 13: APRIL 28, 1982