



CHAPTER 100:

STORAGE OF RECREATIONAL VEHICLES ON RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY

§ 100.01 DEFINITIONS.

For purposes of this chapter the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

OWNER. Any person, agent, operator, firm or corporation having a legal or equitable ownership interest in a recreational vehicle.

PERSON. A corporation, firm, partnership, association, organization, entity or any group acting as a unit, as well as a natural person.

RECREATIONAL VEHICLE. A general term for a vehicular unit which applies to every vehicle or boat designed for temporary living quarters, or recreation, and not used as a commercial vehicle, including, but not limited to the following specific types:

CAMPER TRAILER. A folding or collapsible vehicular structure, without its own motive power, designed as a temporary living quarters for travel, camping, recreation or vacation use, and is, or may be, required to be licensed or registered with a governmental agency and insured for highway use.

MOTOR HOME. A vehicular unit built on or as a part of self-propelled motor vehicle chassis, designed as a temporary living quarters for travel, camping, recreation or vacation use, and is, or may be, required to be licensed or registered with a governmental agency and insured for highway use.

OFF-THE-ROAD VEHICLE or ALL-TERRAIN-VEHICLE (ATV). A vehicle intended principally for recreational use off of roads where state vehicle licenses are, or may be, required, such as dune buggy or go-cart.

RACING CAR or RACING CYCLE. A vehicle intended to be used in racing competition, such as a race car or racing cycle.

RECREATIONAL WATERCRAFT. A general term applying to all manner of watercraft, other than a seaplane on the water, whether impelled by wind, oars or mechanical devices and which is designed primarily for recreation or vacation use.

SNOWMOBILE. A vehicle with a continuous tread and runner-type steering device used primarily for over-snow travel.

TRAVEL TRAILER. A rigid vehicular structure, without its own motive power, designed as a temporary living quarters for travel, camping, recreation or vacation use and is, or may be, required to be licensed or registered with a governmental agency and insured for highway use.

TRUCK CAMPER (SLIDE-IN CAMPER). A structure designed primarily to be mounted on a pickup or truck chassis and designed to be used as a temporary dwelling for travel, camping, recreation or vacation uses.

UTILITY TRAILER. A vehicular structure, without its own motive power, designed and/or used primarily for the transportation of all manner of motor vehicles, boats, goods, materials, equipment or other property, and is, or may be, required to be licensed or registered with a governmental agency and insured for highway use. **UTILITY TRAILER** does not include trailers used exclusively in the furtherance of commercial or industrial enterprises. When a vehicle or a boat is mounted on the trailer, such vehicle or boat and trailer shall be considered as 1 recreational vehicle.

RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY and RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES. One or more (if multiple residential properties are under a single or common ownership or single or common tenancy) of any lot, tract or parcel of real estate, improved with a conforming primary use structure, within any residential zoning district (R-1, R-2, R-3, R-4, R-5 or RSH) or commercial recreation district (CR) as determined by the village's zoning ordinance from time to time.

ZONING LOT. For the purposes of this chapter only, a parcel of land comprised of one or more adjacent recorded lots, under contiguous single or common ownership, occupied by a primary use structure conforming to the Village Zoning Code, or being in legal conformity with the Zoning Code.

(Ord. 2008-O-13, passed 2-5-2008; Am. Ord. 2008-O-85, passed 12-16-2008)

§ 100.02 PROHIBITIONS.

Except as provided below and in § [100.03](#), it shall be unlawful for any person to park or store outside of an enclosed structure a recreational vehicle upon any residential property. Recreational vehicles may be stored on residential properties if such storage is in compliance with each of the following regulations.

(A) There shall be no more than 2 recreational vehicles stored on residential property. Multiple numbers of various recreational vehicles may be placed on a single trailer, commensurate with the manufacturer's recommended loading and use criteria, as long as the trailer complies with all other applicable requirements.

(B) The length of any single recreational vehicle shall be no greater than 30 feet. The length of a boat on a trailer shall be measured from the transom to the bow and not include the trailer tongue assembly nor the out drive or motor. If a boat trailer is not holding a boat, its length shall be measured from the tip of the tongue to the end of the trailer. Utility trailers shall be measured from the tongue to the end of the trailer. (See § [100.03\(B\)](#) for certain exceptions to this division.)

(C) The combined length of the 2 recreational vehicles stored simultaneously shall equal no more than a total of 45 feet. (See division (B) above for further clarification as to points of measurement and § [100.03\(B\)](#) for certain exceptions to this division.)

(D) No recreational vehicle, or any portion thereof, shall be stored less than 5 feet from a public paved roadway surface if there is no sidewalk and/or curb contiguous to the property. No recreational vehicle, or any portion thereof, shall be placed on, in or over the public right-of-way. No recreational vehicle, or any portion thereof, shall be stored or located less than 5 feet from a public sidewalk as measured from the edge of the sidewalk closest to the house structure. (See § [100.03\(B\)](#) for certain exceptions to this division.)

(E) The recreational vehicle must be in operational condition and must be state licensed, if required, in the name of the property owner in possession of the premises or the tenant in possession of the premises.

(F) The recreational vehicle must be on its own attached wheels (if designed as a wheeled vehicle) or a trailer, with the exception of pontoon boats and non-motorized recreational watercraft less than 18 feet in length. Multiple numbers of various recreational vehicles may be placed on a single trailer, commensurate with the manufacturer's recommended loading and use criteria, as long as the trailer complies with all other applicable requirements. (See § [100.03\(A\)](#) and (C) for certain exceptions to this division.)

(G) No stored recreational vehicle shall exceed 6 tons in weight.

(H) All recreational vehicles shall be located on an improved surface, constructed of concrete, asphalt, or paver brick. No recreational vehicle shall be stored on a grass surface. The area of the improved surface shall be no less than the projected horizontal area of the recreational vehicle. Provided, however, existing gravel installations which have a valid permit as of October 20, 2009 may be maintained, but not expanded. (See § [100.03\(A\)](#) for certain exceptions to this division.)

(Ord. 2008-O-13, passed 2-5-2008; Am. Ord. 2009-O-50, passed 10-20-2009)

§ 100.03 EXCEPTIONS.

(A) This exception applies to § [100.02\(F\)](#) and (H). The owners or renters of property contiguous to recreational waters (Bangs Lake, Lake Napa Suwe, Broberg Bog) in the village or channels leading to such recreational waters may bring recreational watercraft and/or snowmobiles onto the property directly from the waterway without the use of a trailer throughout the year. The recreational watercraft and/or snowmobile shall only be on that side of the property fronting the water.

(B) This exception applies to § [100.02\(B\)](#), (C) and (D). Recreational vehicles may be on the property for no longer than 72 hours for loading and unloading as authorized by the Wauconda Police Department.

(C) This exception applies to § [100.02\(F\)](#). Recreational vehicles may be on blocks or other appropriate support mechanisms no longer than 72 hours for minor repairs and/or maintenance purposes.

(Ord. 2008-O-13, passed 2-5-2008)