



STATE OF MICHIGAN  
VILLAGE OF STOCKBRIDGE  
ORDINANCE NO. 2024-02.006  
(Enacted February 5th, 2024)

**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING TEXT AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 30 - TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES,  
ADDING ARTICLE IV- SNOW EMERGENCIES ALSO ADDING NEW SECTION: 30-60  
REGULATIONS OF PARKING ON VILLAGE OF STOCKBRIDGE STREETS DURING SNOW TO THE  
VILLAGE OF STOCKBRIDGE CODE OF ORDINANCES.**

**recitals**

WHEREAS, the Village of Stockbridge (hereinafter, the "Village") has adopted the Village of Stockbridge Code of Ordinances.

WHEREAS, the Village Council wishes to regulate the parking of motor vehicles, trailers, and the presence of movable objects on Village of Stockbridge Streets during the times of snow fall. The council decided it was prudent to create a Snow emergency ordinance. The Councils recommendation is as set forth below.

**Ordinance**

Chapter 30 - Traffic and Vehicles is amended to read as follows.

**New Article IV- Snow Emergencies**

SECTION 1: 30-60- REGULATION OF PARKING ON VILLAGE OF STOCKBRIDGE STREETS DURING SNOW EMERGENCY ORDINANCE.

**A. Authorization of snow emergency**

(1) The Village President, the Village Police Chief, and the Village Department of Public Works Supervisor are all hereby authorized to individually and/or jointly declare a snow emergency in the Village of Stockbridge to effectuate the removal of snow from the Streets of the Village of Stockbridge.

**B. Declaration of snow emergency.**

(1) Upon declaration of snow emergency, the official so declaring shall post public notice of the declaration of the snow emergency to broadcast media, the Village web site, social media pages and at municipal buildings.  
(2) The declaration must include the beginning and ending times of the snow emergency.

**C. Removal of all vehicles.**

(1) Following said declaration, all motor vehicles, trailers, and movable objects shall be removed from the Village of Stockbridge Streets until the expiration of the snow emergency.



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D. Removal by the Stockbridge Police Department.

- (1) Any motor vehicle, trailer or movable object not removed from the Village of Stockbridge Streets during a snow emergency may be removed by the Stockbridge Police Department.
- (2) Prior to removing the vehicle, the Stockbridge Police Department must attempt to contact the registered owner and notify them to move the vehicle.
- (3) If the registered owner is not located or refuses to move the vehicle, the Stockbridge Police Department shall remove said motor vehicle, trailer, or movable object by proper means.

E. Refusal to remove vehicles.

- (1) The failure/refusal to remove a motor vehicle, trailer, or movable object from the Streets of the Village of Stockbridge during a snow emergency shall constitute a civil infraction being issued as authorized by Chapter 6, Section 1-6. (c)- (4).

F. Cost of removal borne by the registered owner.

- (1) The cost of removal and storage of a motor vehicle, trailer or movable object shall be borne by the registered owner and/or the person having charge of the motor vehicle, trailer, or movable object.
- (2) This Ordinance Regulating Parking on Village of Stockbridge Streets During Snow Emergencies takes effect 21 days after adoption.

Section 2: If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is, for any reason, held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remain portions of this ordinance. The Village declares that it would have passed this ordinance and each section, subsection, clause, or phrase hereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, or phrases be declared unconstitutional.

Section 3: To the extent that any prior ordinance contradicts this ordinance, such other ordinance is deemed invalid, only to the extent necessary to give the provisions of this ordinance full effect.

Section 4: The manager, president, or his or her authorized representative [including a code enforcement officer] may cause litigation to be filed if in non-compliance with Section 1: e - (1).

- (1) The failure/refusal to remove a motor vehicle, trailer, or movable object from the Streets of the Village of Stockbridge during a snow emergency shall constitute a civil infraction being issued as authorized by Chapter 6, Section 1-6. (c)- (4).



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Section 5: The manager, president, or his or her authorized representative [including a code enforcement officer] may enforce this Section of the Ordinance by authorizing litigation in the form of either 1) a municipal civil infraction ticket under Section 1-6 (c) or a Civil Nuisance Suit under Section 1-6 (d) (2).

- a. litigation to seek removal by the village shall not excuse or relieve any person of the obligation imposed by this section 4, nor from the penalties for violation thereof. Therefore, this section shall authorize the issuances of subsequent municipal civil infraction tickets for the same violations within fourteen (14) days of each other and do not require an additional written notice before issuance if the violation continues.
- b. All costs and expenses incurred in litigation under this may be recovered by the village in a suit at law against the owner or occupant of any such lot or premises.

Section 6: If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The Village of Stockbridge declares that it would have passed this Ordinance and each section, subsection, clause, or phrase hereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more section, subsections, sentences, clauses, and phrases be declared unconstitutional.

Section 7: That this Ordinance and the related rules, regulations, provisions, requirements, orders, and matters established shall take effect immediately upon publication, except any penalty provisions which shall take effect twenty (20) days after publication, pursuant to MCL66.1.

Section 8: Repealer - All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are repealed only to the extent necessary to give all provisions of this Ordinance full effect.



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Adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Village of Stockbridge held on February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

Moved by: Howlett

Seconded by: Cattell

YEAS: Cattell, Morehouse, Howlett, Powers-Taylor, Ogden

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Mullins, Fairbotham

ABSTAIN: None

Village of Stockbridge

By: Jill Ogden

Its: Village President

Certification of Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of an Ordinance adopted by the Village Council of the Village of Stockbridge, County of Ingham, State of Michigan, at a rescheduled regular meeting held on the 5th day of February, 2024, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the Minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act, and the foregoing Ordinance was published in a newspaper of local circulation on February 22, 2024.

Village of Stockbridge

By: Heather Armstrong

Its: Village Clerk