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City (Pop.)	Ordinance
Beloit (36,966)	7.23 - *EXTERIOR PROPERTY AREAS* .[…](7) VEHICLES. (a) *Unregistered and Unlicensed Motor Vehicles* . 1. *Residence Zones.* No person shall park or permit any other person to park any motor vehicle, except a motor vehicle parked in an enclosed building, on any premises in a residential zone, if the vehicle: a. Is unregistered; or b. Has expired registration; or c. Does not have license plates which are currently registered to that vehicle, displayed thereon, including a current registration sticker. (Am. #3281) […] (b) *Junk Vehicles* . 1. *Private Premises.* No owner or occupant of any premises in the City shall park any junk vehicle or permit any other person to park any junk vehicle on the owner's or occupant's premises for more than 48 hours, unless the junk vehicle is parked in an enclosed building. This section does not apply to premises for which the zoning code permits the storage of junk vehicles outside of an enclosed building. […] (g) *Abandoned Vehicles* . (Am. #2625) […] 2. *Private Premises.* The Police Department is responsible for removal and disposition of vehicles abandoned on private property. Vehicles abandoned on private premises shall be disposed of under §13.01 of the Code of Ordinances, adopting by reference §342.40, Wis. Stats. A vehicle is abandoned on private property if: a. The vehicle is parked and left unattended in the same place on private property for 36 hours. b. The vehicle is parked without the permission of the owner of the premises. c. The vehicle is in public view.
Brookfield (37,920)	**10.24.010 Definitions.** As used in this chapter: "Abandoned vehicle" means and includes any vehicle that has been allowed to remain on any alley, street, highway, public place or private property in the city without the owner's permission for more than forty-eight (48) hours, except that the time limit shall be ten days relative to vehicles left on private property which is open to the public. "Junked vehicle" means and includes any motor vehicles, truck bodies, tractors or trailers in such state of physical or mechanical condition as to be incapable of propulsion or of being operated upon the public streets or highways including, but not limited to, wrecked, disassembled, inoperable, or disabled vehicles. Junked vehicle shall also include, by rebuttable presumption, a vehicle whose registration is expired and has been so expired for a period of more than sixty (60) days. **10.24.020 Accumulation or storage—Permit required.** No person shall accumulate or store any junked or abandoned vehicles or parts thereof outside any building or on any real estate without a permit issued by the city pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 175.25. This section shall not apply to vehicles kept in an appropriate storage place or depository maintained in a lawful place and manner for or by the city. In no event may any accumulation or storage be allowed within seven hundred fifty (750) feet of the center line of a State trunk or Federal Highway.
Eau Claire (65,883)	**8.36.020 Storage prohibited.** A. It shall be unlawful for any person to allow, or any property owner to allow to be kept, any inoperative motor vehicle or motor vehicle accessories on any private property within the city. B. No person, after notification to remove any inoperative motor vehicle or motor vehicle accessories from any private property has been given pursuant to this chapter, shall move the same to any other private property upon which such storage is not permitted or onto any public highway or other public property for purposes of storage. **8.36.030 Storage--Permitted when.** A. This section shall not apply to any motor vehicle or motor vehicle accessories stored within an enclosed building, or on the premises of a business enterprise operated in a lawful place and manner when necessary to the operation of such business enterprise, in a storage place or depository maintained in a lawful place and manner, or to seasonal use vehicles such as campers, etc. Such business enterprises shall include auto junk yards, auto repair and auto body shops but shall not include automobile service stations or tire, battery and accessory sales stores. B. This chapter shall not apply to any motor vehicle or parts car which is legally stored pursuant to s. 341.266 of the Wisconsin Statutes. However, such storage shall be subject to local zoning rules and regulations.

Fond du Lac (43,021)	10.05 **PUBLIC NUISANCES AFFECTING PEACE AND SAFETY.** The following acts, omissions, places, conditions and things are declared to be public nuisances affecting peace and safety; but such enumeration shall not be construed to exclude other nuisances affecting public peace or safety coming within the definition of □10.02: […] (15) JUNK VEHICLES. All junked, disassembled, inoperable or wrecked motor vehicles, or parts thereof, which have been allowed to remain outside of any building upon public or private property for a period in excess of ten (10) days, unless in connection with a permitted automotive sales or repair business located in a properly zoned area.
Franklin (35,451)	**§ 178-7 Storage and parking regulated.** A. Definitions. As used in this section, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated: MOTOR VEHICLE, ABANDONED A motor vehicle which, through disuse and/or failure to be used, remains in one location for a period of 10 consecutive days or more, unless the property owner or occupant provides written proof of intent and ability to use the vehicle within six months, or a motor vehicle which has been reported as stolen to any Police Department. MOTOR VEHICLE, DISASSEMBLED Any motor vehicle which has parts, accessories or equipment removed or missing therefrom so that it cannot be operated safely or legally. MOTOR VEHICLE, INOPERABLE Any motor vehicle which is incapable of functioning. MOTOR VEHICLE, JUNK Any motor vehicle which is partially dismantled, wrecked or damaged in such a manner that it cannot be operated safely or legally upon any thoroughfare. MOTOR VEHICLE, PARTS Any part or parts of any motor vehicle or any accessories thereof which affects the safety or operation of such motor vehicle or safety of its occupants. MOTOR VEHICLE, UNLICENSED A motor vehicle which does not have affixed to it a current motor vehicle license registration plate or a motor vehicle in which the affixed motor vehicle license registration plate does not belong. **§ 178-7 Storage and parking regulated.** […] B. Junked vehicles. (1) Prohibited. No person or other entity who owns or controls any premises shall allow themselves or any lessee, tenant or occupant to have disassembled, inoperable, unlicensed, junked or abandoned motor vehicles or parts thereof to be stored or allowed to remain in the open upon any public or private property within the City for a period in excess of 10 days, unless it is in connection with an automotive sales or repair business enterprise located in a properly zoned area and with a zoning compliance permit pursuant to § 15-9.0102 of the Unified Development Ordinance. This shall not apply to vehicles or parts thereof stored in an approved structure. The covering or tarping of a vehicle is not considered storage in an approved structure.
Greenfield (35,476)	**11.06 - Nuisance vehicles. (Cr. #2650)** (1) *Purpose.* Damaged, partially dismantled or junk motor vehicles upon private premises, except where permitted by a valid occupancy permit, constitute an eyesore and tend to depreciate property values contrary to the public welfare. Whenever such vehicles are junk motor vehicles or are partially dismantled, are unsafely elevated, are parked on unapproved surfaces or are rendered favorable to the harborage of rodents and insects, they may create a health or safety hazard or create a threat to the public welfare and as such constitute a public nuisance. […] (7) *Exceptions.* This section shall not apply to a vehicle in an enclosed building or on the premises of an auto repair business, a service station, a junkyard or other such business, as long as the business is operated according to the law, or a vehicle which is in an appropriate storage place maintained by the City.
La Crosse (51,320)	**9.06 PARKING, STOPPING, OR STANDING. […] (C) ABANDONED VEHICLES.** (1) Abandonment of Vehicles Prohibited. No person shall abandon any vehicle unattended within the City for such time and under such circumstances as to cause the vehicle to reasonably appear to be abandoned. (2) Definition. As used in this Section "vehicle" means a motor vehicle, trailer, semi-trailer or mobile home as defined in Section One of this Code, whether or not vehicle is registered under Chapter 341, Wis. Stats. (3) Presumption of Abandonment. Any vehicle left unattended for more than 48 hours on any public street or grounds, or on private property where parking is prohibited, limited or restricted, without the permission of the owner or lessee, is deemed abandoned and constitutes a public nuisance; provided that the vehicle shall not be deemed abandoned under this Section if left unattended on private property out of public view, by permission of the owner or lessee. (4) Exceptions. This Section shall not apply to a vehicle in any enclosed building; a vehicle in an appropriate storage place or depository maintained in a lawful place and manner authorized by the City or a vehicle parked in a metered or paid lot or parking space where the required fee has been paid and meter activated.

Madison (233,209)	**3. Storage Areas.** All storage, except for licensed motor vehicles in operable condition, shall be within completely enclosed buildings or effectively screened with screening not less than six (6) feet nor more than eight (8) feet in height, and no storage shall exceed the height of such screening. All outside storage areas shall be located to the rear of buildings and shall be limited to not more than five percent (5%) of the total lot area.
Menomonee Falls (35,626)	**Sec. 38-25. - Storage of personalty.** (a) *Definitions.* The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this section, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this subsection, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning: *Personalty* means, without limitation, old, unused, stripped, junked or other vehicles not in good and safe operating conditions; unlicensed vehicles, machinery, implements and/or equipment; and personal property of any kind which is no longer safely usable for the purposes for which it was manufactured. *Junked vehicle* means any unlicensed vehicle stored within the corporate limits of the village which has any of the following characteristics: (1) Any vehicle with a broken or cracked windshield or window or headlight or any other cracked or broken glass. (2) Any vehicle with a broken or loose fender, door or bumper or hood or door handle or window handle or steering wheel, trunk top or trunk handle or tailpipe. (3) Any vehicle which has become the habitat of rats, mice or snakes, or any other vermin or insects. (4) Any vehicle which contains gasoline or other flammable fuel. (5) Any motor vehicle which lacks an engine or two or more wheels or other structural parts which renders such motor vehicle totally inoperable. (6) Any other vehicle because of its defective or obsolete condition in any other way constitutes a threat to public health and safety. *Unlicensed* means any vehicle which is not displaying a valid current license or registration plate as is required by the laws of the state. *Vehicle* means every device in, upon or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a highway, except railroad trains; and shall include, without limitation, motor vehicles as defined in Wis. Stats. § 340.01(35), automobiles or trucks. (b) *Outside storage.* Storage of personalty for a period of ten days or more (except in licensed junkyards) within the corporate limits of this village is hereby declared to be a nuisance, and dangerous to public health and safety. This section does not apply to personalty lawfully stored in enclosed buildings or structures, or within an area surrounded by a vision screen. (c) *Abatement of nuisance.* The owners, tenants, lessees or occupants of any lot within the corporate limits of this village on which such storage is made, and also the owners or lessees of the personalty involved in the storage shall jointly and severally abate the nuisance by the prompt removal of the personalty into enclosed buildings authorized to be used for such storage purposes, if within the corporate limits of the village, or otherwise to remove it to a location without such corporate limits.
Milwaukee (594,833)	**23.15 VEHICULAR PARKING AND JUNK AUTOMOBILES […]** (B) DISABLED MOTOR VEHICLES - TIME LIMIT FOR PARKING OR STORAGE. The parking, storage, or accumulation of any disabled motor vehicle of whatsoever kind or parts thereof outside of a building on any premises or lot which has not been granted a junk yard permit in any zoning district of the city for a period of time exceeding 14 days in any one calendar year is prohibited with the following exceptions: i. Additional periods of storage of disabled motor vehicles beyond 14 days may be permitted provided a detailed written application is made to and approved by the Board of Appeals. The Application to the Board of Appeals shall be submitted with the fee shown in the most recently adopted schedule of Administration Services and Fees. Extended permission may be granted on such conditions as the board deems reasonable. However, in no event shall permission be granted to store the vehicle or part in any part of any residential premises which is not an improved parking area within the meaning of this ordinance and in no event shall the Board of Appeals permit the outside storage of more than one disabled motor vehicle, or major component thereof, on a premises in any zoning district for more than 60 days. ii. Any commercial premises on which an auto body repair shop is a permitted use may store a damaged vehicle to be repaired for up to 90 days. Storage of a vehicle beyond this 90 day limit can be permitted by the Board of Appeals but in no event shall the board grant an extension of greater than 60 days. iii. The provisions of this ordinance shall not apply where the owner of the property is also the owner of a vehicle is licensed under Sec. 341.14(2m) or 341.14(4) Wis. Stats. and is the owner of parts on the owned premises which are permitted by Sec. 341.266 or 341.268 Wis. Stats.

New Berlin (39,584)	***§ 258-2 Prohibited actions.*** Any person owning or having possession of any dismantled or partially dismantled or abandoned, junked, or wrecked, nonoperable or discarded motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment or accessories shall not store or permit to be stored any such dismantled, partially dismantled, abandoned, junked, wrecked, nonoperable or discarded motor vehicle or any such equipment or accessories on any private, public, or municipal property in the City of New Berlin for a period of more than 30 consecutive days, unless it is in connection with the operation of a junkyard, and no person owning any private property in the city, as determined from the tax assessment records of the city, shall store or permit to be stored or to remain any such vehicles or accessories on such private property for more than 30 consecutive days. Such storage is hereby declared to be a public nuisance and may be abated or removed and penalties imposed as provided by this Code. ***§ 258-3 Exemptions.*** This chapter shall not apply to the following: A. Automobile sales or repair enterprises operated in a properly zoned area for such enterprises and provided that inside storage is provided for such motor vehicles. B. Vehicles kept or stored on private property in a garage or other accessory building which conforms to Chapter 275, Zoning.
Oshkosk (66,083)	**SECTION 27-19 DISPOSITION OF WRECKED OR DISCARDED VEHICLES ON PRIVATE PROPERTY** No person in charge or control of any private property within the City, whether as owner, tenant, occupant, lessee, or otherwise, shall allow any partially dismantled, wrecked, junked, discarded vehicle, or unregistered vehicle, any vehicle unable to move under its own power, or any vehicle not able to be used legally on any public street in accordance with the provisions of Chapters 347 and 348 of the Wisconsin Statutes and/or Trans 305 of the Wisconsin Administrative Code to remain on such property longer than three (3) days; and no person shall leave any such vehicle on any private property within the City for a longer time than three (3) days. (A) Exceptions. This Article shall not apply with regard to a vehicle in an enclosed building; a vehicle on the premises of a business enterprise operated in a lawful place and manner, when necessary to the operation of such business enterprise; or a vehicle in an appropriate storage place of depository maintained in a lawful place and manner by the City.
Racine (82,196)	**Sec. 42-183. - Storage restricted.** (a) No person shall accumulate, store or allow any nuisance or inoperable vehicle upon any private property, unless it is in connection with an automotive sales, repair or storage business enterprise located in a properly zoned area. (b) Any business engaged in automotive sales or repair may retain any such vehicle in the open on private property for a period not to exceed 20 days after which such vehicles must be removed. (c) No person shall accumulate, store, or allow any junk outside of any building on any real estate located in the city.
Sheboygan (49,288)	**Sec. 118-277. - Exceptions.** (a) The provisions of this article shall not apply to auto salvage yards or junkyards duly licensed under the regulations of the city pertaining to such operations. (b) The provisions of this article shall not apply to automobile sales agencies that also maintain, service and repair motor vehicles and motor vehicle repair businesses, subject to the following restrictions: (1) The motor vehicles must be in such inoperable condition as to render them incapable of being driven on public streets or in such a wrecked condition as to require substantial repairs or service to permit normal use of such vehicles; (2) The motor vehicles must be registered in the names of parties who are customers of such business establishments; and (3) The motor vehicles cannot be continuously stored on the premises of such business establishments for a period exceeding 30 days. (c) The provisions of this article shall not apply to motor vehicles, trailers, semitrailers or mobile homes on private property when out of ordinary public view, nor shall they apply to vehicles designated as not abandoned by a duly authorized municipal official pursuant to ordinance.
Waukesha (70,718)	**12.07 Junk and Junked, Dismantled and Abandoned Motor Vehicles […] (2) STORAGE RESTRICTED.** (a) No person shall accumulate, store or allow any dismantled, inoperable, junked, wrecked vehicle, or abandoned motor vehicle, truck bodies, tractors or trailers in the open, upon any private or public property within the City for a period exceeding seventy-two hours, unless it is in connection with an automotive sales, repair, or storage business enterprise located in a properly zoned area or a junkyard license under §8.02 of the Code. (b) Any business engaged in automotive sales or repair may retain such vehicles in the open on private property for a period not to exceed 20 days after which such vehicles must be removed. (c) No person shall accumulate, store, or allow any junk as defined in sub. (1) outside of any building on any real estate located in the City for more than 72 hours.

Wausau (39,106)	**16.04.035 Vehicles.** (a) Unregistered and Unlicensed Motor Vehicles (1) Residence Zones. No person shall park or permit any other person to park any motor vehicle, except a motor vehicle parked in an enclosed building, on any premises in a residential zone, if the vehicle: (A) Is unregistered; or (B) Has expired registration; or (C) Does not have license plates which are currently registered to that vehicle, displayed thereon, including a current registration sticker. (b) Junk Vehicles (1) At no time shall any vehicle be in any state of major disassembly, disrepair or shall it be in the process of being stripped or dismantled. At no time shall any vehicle of any type undergo major overhaul, including body work, in a residential district. (2) In any business, commercial or industrial zone at no time shall any vehicle be in any state of major disassembly, disrepair or shall it be in the process of being stripped or dismantled. At no time shall any vehicle of any type undergo major overhaul, including body work, in a business, commercial or industrial zone, except at an approved automobile establishment.
Wauwatosa (44,798)	**11.44.005 - Purpose and intent.** The purpose and intent of this chapter is to eliminate the inappropriate and unnecessary keeping and storage of inoperative motor vehicles and motor vehicle accessories on private property. The city council finds that such keeping and storage is unsightly, unhealthy and unsafe, and contrary to the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the City of Wauwatosa. **[…] 11.44.025 - Exceptions.** A. This section shall not apply to any motor vehicle stored within an enclosed building on the premises of a business enterprise operated in a lawful place and manner, when necessary to the operation of such business enterprise, or in any other storage place maintained in a lawful place and manner, including such vehicles stored in a manner expressly permitted by local zoning rules and regulations. B. This chapter shall not apply to any motor vehicle or parts car which is legally stored pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 341.266. However, such storage shall be subject to local zoning rules and regulations.
West Allis (60,411)	**6.015 CONTROL OF ABANDONED MOTOR VEHICLES.** […] (2) Public Nuisance. Any vehicle allowed to be parked or remain standing in violation of this section is hereby declared to be a public nuisance and may be abated as hereinafter provided. (3) Prohibition. No person owning or having custody of any abandoned vehicle as defined in Subsection (1) (b) shall allow such vehicle to remain on any public or private property within the City. (4) Exemptions. This section shall not apply to any vehicle in an enclosed building; a vehicle on the premises of a business enterprise operated in a lawful place and manner when necessary to the operation of such business enterprise; a vehicle in an appropriate storage place or depository maintained in a lawful place and manner by the City or, a vehicle out of the ordinary public view.