

# GEORGIA

City (Pop.)	Ordinance
Albany (77,434)	<p><b>Sec. 36-73. - Abatement of nuisances arising from the presence of junked motor vehicles.</b> (a) It shall be unlawful for the owner or occupant of any lot, tract, parcel of land or premises in the city to suffer, permit or allow any junked motor vehicle, to-wit: a vehicle, automobile, truck, van or trailer or any contrivance thereof that is inoperative, wrecked, dismantled or partially dismantled, stripped or partially stripped, to be parked, left or maintained thereon; and it shall be unlawful for any person to cause or maintain such a junked motor vehicle on the real property of another. The presence of such a junked motor vehicle shall constitute a public nuisance per se. (b) This section is not the exclusive regulation within the city. It shall be supplemental and in addition to the other regulatory statutes and ordinances heretofore or hereafter enacted by the City of Albany, Georgia or any other legal entity or agency having jurisdiction. (c) Except in circumstances where the public health and safety requires an immediate hearing before the municipal court as set forth in subsection (d) of this section, the director of the code enforcement department or the director of the code enforcement department's designee, shall give written notice to the owner of the vehicle or the person in possession, charge or control of the real property affected, that, in the opinion of the director, a public nuisance exists. Such notice shall be deemed adequate when attached to the vehicle so as to be visible to persons outside the vehicle. Such notice shall state that action to eliminate the nuisance is requested within the number of days specified in the notice, and shall further state that, if such action is not taken within the time specified, summons will be issued requiring the party notified to appear in the municipal court to have determined there whether a nuisance exists and should be abated.</p>
Alpharetta (55,551)	<p><b>Sec. 10-30. - Person's responsibility—Generally.</b> No person shall occupy as owner or occupant or let or sublet to another for occupancy, or keep and maintain whether in use or abandoned, any vehicle, whether motorized or nonmotorized, upon such person's premises or on city property adjacent to such person's premises for any purpose whatsoever which, under the provisions of this article, constitutes a nuisance. <b>Sec. 10-31. - Same—Specifically.</b> It shall be the duty of both the owner and the occupant or inhabitant of any building, dwelling, or dwelling unit to keep the interior and exterior of any vehicle, whether motorized or non-motorized, and the exterior of such building, dwelling and dwelling unit, including its premises, yards, lawns, grounds, courts and alleys, clean, clear and free of any attractive nuisance created by abandoned, useless, worn-out or damaged vehicles (defined for purposes of this article as any vehicle which is not in working order and which does not possess a valid license tag and inspection sticker of the current year), from filth, rubbish, garbage, debris, combustible materials, or excessive growth of weeds or grass, or similar matters which are conducive to rodent, vermin or insect infestation, or conditions conducive to spread of fire or disease, in and around such vehicles, and the same duty shall rest on the owner of any vacant lot or land adjacent to such vehicle or vehicles. [...] <b>Sec. 10-33. - Specific nuisance conditions.</b> (a) Any vehicle, whether motorized or nonmotorized, which may have one (1) or more of the following defects shall be deemed unfit and as junk and shall constitute a nuisance: (1) Those which have propelling mechanism which has failed and is no longer operational. (2) Those which have bodies and/or framework which is useless, worn out and damaged to such an extent that they are no longer fit for the use for which originally intended. (3) Those which have become worthless and discarded and are only fit to be turned to some use other than the use originally intended such as salvaging on the useable parts of the machinery and remelting the remainder of the metal for recycling. (4) Those which are abandoned in the same or approximate same location for thirty (30) days or longer without the owner or person in possession making some repair disposition and removing such vehicle from the premises. (5) Those which have been damaged by fire, wind or other cause so as to have become dangerous to the life, safety, or the general health and welfare of the occupants of the premises or of the adjacent premises or the people of the city. (6) Those which have become or are so dilapidated, decayed, unsafe, unsanitary or which so utterly fail to provide the amenities essential to their intended use that they are unfit for human use or are likely to cause sickness or disease, so as to work injury to the health, safety and general welfare of those living around the same. (7) Those which have parts thereof which are so attached or detached that they may injure members of the public or property. (8) Those which because of their condition are unsafe, unsanitary or dangerous to the health, safety or general welfare of the people of the city. (9) Those outside and/or inside of premises which are not clean, clear and free of any attractive nuisance or accumulation of dirt, junk, filth, rubbish, garbage, debris, combustible materials, excessive growth of weeds or grass, or similar conditions conducive to rodent, vermin or insect infestation or the spread of fire or disease. (b) Any vehicle, premises or place in which one (1) or more of the foregoing defects shall exist shall not be permitted to remain in such condition without the abatement of the nuisance, for any period longer than thirty (30) days after service of official notice upon the owner or agent that such conditions exist, except upon the specific written authority of the city council.</p>
Athens (115,452)	<p><b>Sec. 3-9-2. - Storing, parking or leaving unattended any junked vehicle or abandoned motor vehicle prohibited; declared nuisance; exceptions.</b> No person shall park, store, leave, or permit the parking storing or leaving of any abandoned motor vehicle or any junked vehicle upon any public property within Athens-Clarke County for a period of time in excess of three (3) days. Nor shall any person park, store, leave or permit the parking, storing or leaving of any junked vehicle upon any private property within Athens-Clarke County for a period of time in excess of 30 days. The presence of an abandoned motor vehicle on public property or of a junked vehicle or any parts of such a vehicle on private or public property is hereby declared a public nuisance which may be abated as such in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. This section shall not apply to any vehicle enclosed within a building on private property or to any vehicle held by an automotive maintenance, repair, or salvage facility, or similar business enterprise, lawfully licensed by Athens-Clarke County and properly operated in an appropriate business zone, pursuant to the zoning laws of Athens-Clarke County, or to any motor vehicle in operable condition specifically adopted or designed for operation on raceways or drag strips.</p>

Atlanta (420,003)	<p><b>Sec. 74-172. - Junked motor vehicles.</b> (a) <i>Definitions.</i> 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: <i>Junked motor vehicle</i> means any vehicle which is self-propelled, which is without current registration and license tag and inspection sticker, and which is one or more of the following: (1) Wrecked; (2) Dismantled; (3) Abandoned; (4) Partially dismantled; or (5) Inoperative. (b) <i>Nuisance declared.</i> It shall be unlawful for the owner or occupant of any lot, tract, parcel of land or premises in the city to suffer, permit or allow any junked motor vehicle to be parked, let or maintained thereon; and it shall be unlawful for any person to cause or maintain such a junked motor vehicle on the real property of another. The presence of such a junked motor vehicle shall constitute a public nuisance per se, except that it shall not be a nuisance to maintain, in an otherwise lawful manner: (1) Any motor vehicle in an enclosed building; (2) Any motor vehicle on the premises of a business enterprise operated in a lawful manner, when necessary to the operation of such business enterprise; or (3) Any motor vehicle on property occupied and used for repair, reconditioning and remodeling of motor vehicles in conformance with the zoning ordinances of the city. (c) <i>Exception.</i> Nothing in this section shall authorize the maintenance of a public or private nuisance as defined under other provisions of law. (d) <i>Section not exclusive.</i> This section is not the exclusive regulation within the city. It shall be supplemental and in addition to the other regulatory statutes and ordinances heretofore or hereafter enacted by the city, the state or any other legal entity or agency having jurisdiction.</p>
Augusta (195,844)	<p><b>ARTICLE 1. JUNKED MOTOR VEHICLES ON PRIVATE PROPERTY 8-101. FINDINGS OF GOVERNING BODY.</b> The governing body finds that junked, wrecked, dismantled, inoperative or abandoned vehicles affect the health, safety and general welfare of citizens of the city because they: (a) Serve as a breeding ground for flies, mosquitoes, rats and other insects and rodents; (b) Are a danger to persons, particularly children, because of broken glass, sharp metal protrusions, insecure mounting on blocks, jacks or other supports; (c) Are a ready source of fire and explosion; (d) Encourage pilfering and theft; (e) Constitute a blighting influence upon the area in which they are located; (f) Constitute a fire hazard because they frequently block access for fire equipment to adjacent buildings and structures. [...] <b>8-103. NUISANCES UNLAWFUL; DEFINED; EXCEPTIONS.</b> It shall be unlawful for any person to maintain or permit any motor vehicle nuisance within the city. (a) A motor vehicle nuisance is any motor vehicle which is not currently registered or tagged pursuant to K.S.A. 8-126 to 8-149 inclusive, as amended; or parked in violation of city ordinance; or incapable of moving under its own power; or in a junked, wrecked or inoperable condition. Any one of the following conditions shall raise the presumption that a vehicle is junked, wrecked or inoperable: (1) Absence of a current registration plate upon the vehicle; (2) Placement of the vehicle or parts thereof upon jacks, blocks, or other supports; (3) Absence of one or more parts of the vehicle necessary for the lawful operation of the vehicle upon street or highway. (b) The provisions of this article shall not apply to: (1) Any motor vehicle which is enclosed in a garage or other building; (2) To the parking or storage of a vehicle inoperable for a period of 30 consecutive days or less; or (3) To any person conducting a business enterprise in compliance with existing zoning regulations or who places such vehicles behind screening of sufficient size, strength and density to screen such vehicles from the view of the public and to prohibit ready access to stored vehicles by children. However, nothing in this subsection shall be construed to authorize the maintenance of a public nuisance.</p>
Columbus (189,885)	<p><b>Sec. 13-167.7. - Unauthorized accumulation, disposal, removal of solid waste and establishment of rules and regulations, governing vehicle wrecking, salvage, junk, scrap, storage yards, and repair shops.</b> [...] (B) <i>Junked motorized vehicles:</i> (1) Those vehicles meeting any two of the following conditions shall be deemed to be an unauthorized accumulation of solid waste: (a) Not having a current license tag or a state certificate of registration; (b) Missing some critical part such as, but not limited to, wheels, engine, transmission, or chassis; (c) Having unknown ownership; (d) Overgrown with vegetation; (e) A responsible adult, resident or property owner, from two or more premises having direct view of the vehicle from their premises, makes a signed complaint about the junked motorized vehicle. (f) No longer operational; (g) Has flat tires. (2) Exempted from the provisions shall be: (a) Vehicles that are located in an enclosed building or screened properly in accordance with the fencing requirement in section 13-167.1(29) from public view.</p>
Johns Creek (76,738)	<p><b>Sec. 54-41. - Parking or storage of unlicensed, inoperable vehicles, trailers or equipment.</b> Vehicles and trailers of any kind without current license plates, or vehicles, trailers or equipment permitted to remain in an inoperable condition for more than 30 days shall not be parked or stored on or about any property within a residential zoned district; provided, however, this section shall not apply to vehicles, trailers or equipment stored in an enclosed structure or appropriately covered and located in the rear yard area.</p>
Macon (91,351)	<p><b>Sec. 12-8. - Weeds, debris, inoperable motor vehicles; prohibition; exception.</b> (a) It shall be unlawful for the occupant of any lot or premises in the city, or the owner of any lot of land or premises in the city, or any agent or representative of such owner or occupant, to permit or maintain on such lot the growth thereon of objectionable weeds, the accumulation of debris or the harborage of inoperable motor vehicles, as defined in this division, which distracts from the community aesthetics, and endangers the public health, safety or welfare. The following conditions shall constitute a nuisance as it relates to the growth of objectionable weeds: (1) Any lot on which a residential structure is built shall be deemed a nuisance if the growth of weeds as defined herein is twelve (12) inches or more in height. (2) Any vacant lot located within a residential district or area shall be deemed a nuisance if the growth of weeds as defined herein exceeds eighteen (18) inches or more in height. (3) Any lot or property other than those described above shall be deemed a nuisance if the growth of weeds as defined herein exceeds eighteen (18) inches in height. Exception: For the purpose of this division, wooded areas as defined herein shall be exempt from the above requirements. (b) This division defines and establishes procedures for abating inoperable motor vehicles. For definitions and enforcement procedures pertaining to abandoned vehicles, refer to Article III of this chapter.</p>

Roswell (88,346)	<p><b>Section 22.4.4 - Declared to be Unlawful and a Nuisance.</b> (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to park or cause to be parked any inoperable motor vehicle on public property or any private lot, tract or parcel of land or portion thereof, occupied or unoccupied, improved or unimproved, within the city. The presence of any inoperable vehicle on any property shall be deemed a public nuisance except as otherwise stated in this section. It shall be unlawful for any person to cause or maintain such a public nuisance by wrecking, dismantling, partially dismantling, rendering inoperable, abandoning or discarding any motor vehicle on the real property of another, including public property, or to permit or allow inoperable vehicles to be parked or maintained on his or its own property. (b) Subsection (a) shall not apply to: (1) Any motor vehicle in an enclosed building; (2) Any motor vehicle on the premises of a business enterprise operated in a lawful manner, when necessary to the operation of such business; or (3) Any motor vehicle on property occupied and used for repair, reconditioning and remodeling of motor vehicles in conformance with the zoning ordinance of the city.</p>
Sandy Springs (93,853)	<p><b>Sec. 58-40. - Parking or storage of unlicensed, inoperable vehicles, trailers or equipment.</b> Vehicles and trailers of any kind without current license plates, or vehicles, trailers or equipment permitted to remain in an inoperable condition for more than 30 days shall not be parked or stored on or about any property within a residential zoned district. Provided, however, this section shall not apply to vehicles, trailers or equipment stored in an enclosed structure or appropriately covered and located in the rear yard area.</p>
Savannah (136,286)	<p><b>Sec. 9-2009. - Derelict motor vehicles—Disposal.</b> It is hereby declared that derelict motor vehicles, as herein defined, when left unattended on a public street, road or highway or other public or private real property within the corporate limits of the city for a period of not less than ten days on public property or 30 days on private property constitute a health hazard or unsightly nuisance in that they provide a place for insects, rodents and other animals to exist; attract children, vagrants and other individuals; and may cause injury to them and obstruct the streets and ways on and in which they may be found. It is the further purpose and intent of this ordinance [sections 9-2009—9-2013] to provide for the removal and disposal of said vehicles and the procedures pertaining thereto. <b>Sec. 9-2010. - Same—Definitions.</b> In the implementation and interpretation of the chapter and any contract between the City of Savannah and a third party pursuant hereto, the following definitions shall apply: (1) Derelict motor vehicle shall be a motor vehicle which is not an abandoned vehicle as defined in O.C.G.A. § 40-11-1(1)(A) and/or any part thereof which is incapable of being moved under its own power and has had one or more of the major parts for its safe operation removed or destroyed and has no value other than nominal salvage value; provided that this definition shall not apply to any motor vehicle or part thereof which shall be located within the premises of any junkyard complying with the laws of the State of Georgia relating to the licensing and regulating of motor vehicle junkyards. Whenever the word "vehicle" is used in this chapter, it shall refer to a "derelict motor vehicle" as defined herein. [...] <b>Sec. 9-2012. - Same—Procedures.</b> (a) When any city employee, designated by the city manager in accordance with this chapter [sections 9-2009—9-2013], shall ascertain that a motor vehicle and/or a part thereof is a derelict motor vehicle or any becomes so by remaining unattended for a period of ten days on public property and 30 days on private real property, provided that on the private real property the vehicle is not enclosed in any fence, wall or other structure, he shall prepare a notice to require its removal and shall proceed to designate the same as a derelict motor vehicle by affixing a copy of said notice to said vehicle or part thereof in a conspicuous place.</p>
Smyrna (51,271)	<p><b>Sec. 46-114. - Junked; wrecked; discarded; etc., personal property—Maximum period of storage.</b> It shall be unlawful for any person to permit the accumulation of any furniture, appliance, machinery, equipment or personal property, including, but not limited to, motor vehicles, boats, trailers or watercraft, which are either in a wholly or partially rusted, wrecked, junked, dismantled, inoperative condition to remain on the premises, i.e., including, but not limited to, any dwelling unit, place of business or vacant lot in outside storage. It shall also be unlawful for any person or persons to permit the exterior accumulation of any indoor furniture, appliance, machinery, equipment or personal property other than operable motor vehicles, boats, trailers and other watercraft, to be stored on the premises of any dwelling, dwelling unit, place of business or vacant lot in outside storage or otherwise exposed to public view for a period in excess of 30 days.</p>
Valdosta (54,518)	<p><b>Sec. 42-171. - Definitions.</b> The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning: <i>Abandoned motor vehicle</i> means a motor vehicle or trailer which: (1) Has been left by the owner or some person acting for the owner with an automobile dealer, repairman, or wrecker service for repair or for some other reason and has not been called for by such owner or other person within a period of 30 days after the time agreed upon; or within 30 days after such vehicle is turned over to such dealer, repairman, or wrecker service when no time is agreed upon; or within 30 days after the completion of necessary repairs; (2) Is left unattended on a public street, road, highway or other public property for a period of at least five days and when it reasonably appears to an enforcement officer that the individual who left such motor vehicle unattended does not intend to return and remove such motor vehicle; (3) Has been lawfully towed onto the property of another at the request of an enforcement officer and left there for a period of not less than 30 days without anyone's having made claim to the vehicle; (4) Has been lawfully towed onto the property of another at the request of a property owner on whose property the vehicle was abandoned and left there for a period of not less than 30 days without the owner's having made claim to the vehicle; or (5) Has been left unattended on private property for a period of not less than 30 days without anyone's having made claim to the vehicle [...] <b>Sec. 42-172. - Prohibited.</b> It shall be unlawful for any person either as owner, occupant, lessee, agent, tenant or otherwise, to store or deposit, or cause or permit to be stored or deposited, any abandoned motor vehicle upon any public or private property within the corporate limits of the city. <b>Sec. 42-173. - Exception.</b> Nothing in this division shall apply to any vehicle in an enclosed building or any vehicle on the premises of a business enterprise being operated in a lawful place and manner if the vehicle is necessary to the operation of such enterprise or to any vehicle in an appropriate storage place or depository maintained in a lawful place and manner by the city.</p>

Warner Robins (66,588)

**Sec. 16-3. - Storage of old cars, scrap parts, old household appliances, etc., on residential lots; notice.** (a) It shall be illegal to store old cars, scrap parts of cars, old household appliances, and other such items on any residential lot within the city. (b) The occupant of any lot found to be in violation as stated above will be given a fifteen-day notice to remove the items before a summons is issued. (c) The term "old cars" as used in this section shall mean: (1) Any car which is inoperable because of missing parts such as the motor, tires or wheels, or any other part necessary to make the car operable; (2) Any car which does not have displayed a current Georgia state or other state motor vehicle inspection sticker, if required; and (3) Any car which does not have displayed a current license tag, including historical tags.