

**CHAPTER 15**

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**PART I****JUNKED VEHICLES****SECTION 15-101. Short Title.**

This Chapter and Part shall be known and may be cited as Harmony Borough Abandoned and Junked Automobile/Vehicle Ordinance.

(*Ord. 263, 4/6/1971, §1*)

**SECTION 15-102. Definitions.**

The following words and phrases when used in this Chapter and Part shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except in those instances where the context clearly indicates a different meaning.

A. “Persons” shall mean every natural person, persons or association or corporation, partnership or other legal entity so defined in the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Whenever used in any clause prescribing or imposing a fine or penalty or imprisonment in default thereof, the term as applied to associations shall mean any member thereof and as applied to corporation shall mean the president or secretary thereof.

B. “Junked Automobile” shall mean any automobile outside of a fully enclosed building except as may be lawfully permitted in junk yards or automobile repair shops, which automobile is not in sufficient working order to permit the vehicle to be operated and such vehicle being without current registration plates, or any automobile or vehicle stored for resale as junk metal except as may be lawfully permitted in a junk yard as authorized by the Zoning Ordinance (Chapter 27 of the Harmony Borough Codification of Ordinances) or as otherwise authorized by the Zoning Ordinance as codified in said Chapter 27 (which may hereinafter be referred to as the “zoning ordinance” or “zoning ordinances”).

(*Ord. 263, 4/6/1971, §2, Ord. 372, 6/6/2006*)

**SECTION 15-103. Prohibitions.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to store any abandoned or junked automobile or vehicle on private or public property within the geographical boundaries of the Borough of Harmony, Butler County, Pennsylvania, except as otherwise provided by the zoning ordinances for any portion of the twenty-four hours of any day measured from midnight to midnight. The storage of any automobile as hereinafter prohibited in this section for more than one day shall

constitute a separate and distinct unlawful act for any portion of a day. Nothing contained herein, however, shall prevent the prosecutor under such conditions from claiming a violation of a the Zoning Ordinance in addition to violation of this Chapter and Part wherein it may be claimed that the storage of such junked automobile or vehicle is conduct amounting to operation of a junk yard without a license.

*(Ord. 263, 4/6/1971, §3, Ord. 372, 6/6/2006)*

#### **SECTION 15-104. Summary Offense.**

Any Person upon conviction of this Ordinance before a magistrate of violating any of the provisions of this Chapter and Part shall constitute a summary offense as defined in the criminal laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the fine of which shall be not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), and in default thereof imprisonment for not more than thirty (30) days. Each day that a violation continues shall be deemed a separate offense, and the Borough may collect its costs of prosecution, including solicitor fees, in any such action. All actions brought under this Chapter and Part shall be brought in accordance with the Rules of Criminal Procedure and the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in matters of summary offenses.

*(Ord. 263, 4/6/1971, §4-5, Ord. 372, 6/6/2006)*

#### **SECTION 15-105. Severability.**

The provisions of this Chapter and Part are severable and if any action, clause, sentence or provision is declared unconstitutional, the remaining sections, clauses, sentences, parts or provisions thereof shall not be impaired thereby. It is hereby declared to be the intent of the Council of the Borough of Harmony, Butler County, Pennsylvania, that this Chapter and Part would have been adopted if such illegal, invalid or unconstitutional section, clause, sentence, part or provision thereof had not been included herein.

*(Ord. 263, 4/6/1971, §6, Ord. 372, 6/6/2006)*

**PART II****TRAFFIC REGULATIONS****SECTION 15-201. Maximum Speed Limits.**

A. It shall be unlawful for any person to drive a vehicle upon any street in the Borough in excess of the speed prescribed for that street.

B. The maximum speed for all Borough streets is twenty-five (25) miles per hour.

C. The maximum speed for all state and federal streets within the Borough limits shall be as prescribed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

*(Ord. 219, 4/7/1970, §1, Ord. 372, 6/6/2006)*

**SECTION 15-202. Penalties and Fines.**

A. Any violations of §15-201 of this Chapter shall be punishable in accordance with the provisions of the Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code governing violations of maximum speed limits.

B. In addition to the penalties in Section 15-202(A) of this Chapter, any party found guilty shall pay the costs of prosecution imposed by the Borough and any other governmental entities, including attorneys' fees.

*(Ord. 219, 4/7/1970, Ord. 372, 6/6/2006)*

**SECTION 15-203. Stop Intersections Established.**

A. The following intersections are established as stop intersections and official stop signs shall be erected (or are ratified if previously erected) in such a position as to face traffic approaching the second-named street (the intersecting or through street) on the first named street (the stop street) in the direction or directions indicated for that intersection. Every driver of a vehicle approaching the intersection on the first named or stop street, in the direction indicated in each case, shall stop the vehicle as required by Section 3323(b) of the Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code and shall not proceed into or across the second named or intersecting or through street until he has followed all applicable requirements of that section of the law:

STOP STREET	THROUGH OR INTERSECTING STREET	HEADING DIRECTION
Beaver	Division	West
Beaver	Pittsburgh	East
Pittsburgh	Beaver	North and South
Pittsburgh	Center	North and South
Pittsburgh	New Castle	North and South
Division	Center	North
Division	New Castle	North
Center	Division	West
Center	Pittsburgh	East
Bluff	Beaver	South
Bluff	Center	North
Peffer	Center	South
Peffer	New Castle	North
Park	New Castle	South
Highland	Main	Northwest
Highland	Pittsburgh	East and West
Charles	Center	South
Charles	Main	North
Clyde	Charles	West
Zeigler	Eutah	West
Zeigler	Monroe	West
Eutah	Mercer	North
Liberty	Jackson	North
Liberty	German	North and South
Liberty	Gallyhill	South
Wood	Mercer	North and South
Mercer	Monroe	East
Mercer	Liberty	West
Mercer	Main	East and West
German	Liberty	West
German	Spring	East and West
Main	Mercer	North and South
Main	Main (at Rte. 68)	Southwest
Main	Route 68	Southeast
Spring	First	North and South
Spring	Second	North and South
Spring	Third	North and South
Route 68	Main	Northwest
First	Spring	West
First	Edmond	East
Second	Spring	West
Third	Spring	West

(*Ord. 60, 8/1/1921, Amendment to Ord. 60, 6/12/1922, Amendment (2<sup>nd</sup>) to Ord. 60, 10/2/1922, Ord. 69, 7/6/1925, Ord. 72, 2/1/1926, Ord. 78, 9/7/1926, Ord. 83, 2/6/1928, Ord. 85, 9/8/1931, Ord. 109, 1/6/1942, Ord. 125, 4/1/1947, Ord. 133, 6/7/1949, Ord. 171, 3/7/1956, Ord. 182, 7/1/1956, Ord. 190, 7/7/1959, Ord. 191, 11/3/1959, Ord. 204, 8/17/1962, Ord. 219, 4/7/1970, Ord. 240, 3/1/1977, Ord. 261, 10/1979, Ord. 298, 5/5/1987, Ord. 372, 6/6/2006*)

#### **SECTION 15-204. No Interference with Fire Equipment.**

Parking within fifteen feet of either side of a fire plug, hydrant or other equipment is prohibited. No person shall interfere with, tamper, injure, damage or destroy any fire fighting equipment or any fixtures connected therewith, or any fire apparatus, hydrant or plug.

(*Ord. 60, 8/1/1921, Ord. 372, 6/6/2006*)

#### **SECTION 15-205. Penalties and Fines.**

A. Any violations of §15-203 or 15-204 of this Chapter and Part shall be punishable in accordance with the provisions of the Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code governing violations of maximum speed limits.

B. In addition to the penalties in Section 15-202(A) of this Chapter, any party found guilty shall pay the costs imposed by the Borough and any other governmental entities.

(*Ord. 372, 6/6/2006*)

**PART III****WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS****SECTION 15-301. Purpose.**

That for the protection of the said improved streets in the Borough of Harmony and the safety of the traveling public, and in accordance with the Acts of Assembly, all streets within the Borough limits will bear restricted weight limits except for local deliveries.

*(Ord. 270, 1/6/1981, §1)*

**SECTION 15-302. Weight Restrictions.**

That from and after the enactment of this Ordinance, it shall be unlawful to operate any vehicle, motor driven or otherwise, upon any of the streets set forth in Section I, hereof, in the event that said vehicle loaded or unloaded has a maximum weight in excess of six (6) tons with the exception of Main Street from the intersection of German Street to the South side of the Diamond where the maximum weight is eleven (11) tons. In regard to streets designated as truck route, the maximum weight limit set by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania will prevail.

*(Ord. 270, 1/6/1981, §2)*

**SECTION 15-303. Study.**

That Chapter and Part has been enacted after a study and determination made by the Borough Council of the Borough of Harmony, wherein said Council has determined that the weight limits are necessary to preserve the health, safety and welfare of the said Borough and to preserve and maintain the streets and highways of the Borough and this Chapter and part is enacted in accordance with the applicable laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

*(Ord. 270, 1/6/1981, §3, Ord. 372, 6/6/2006)*

**SECTION 15-304. Signs.**

That appropriate signs visible to the traveling public and prepared in accordance with the applicable Acts of Assembly and bearing the weight limit restrictions shall be erected in accordance with said Act of Assembly, and shall be visible to approaching traffic.

*(Ord. 270, 1/6/1981, §4)*



**SECTION 15-305. Penalties.**

That any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this Part shall be liable to a fine or penalty which shall be calculated and determined in accordance with the applicable Acts of the Assembly pertaining to imposition of fines for overweight vehicles and the same shall be collected for the use of the Borough of Harmony in accordance with said laws of this Commonwealth, plus costs of prosecution.

*(Ord. 270, 1/6/1981, §4, Ord. 372, 6/6/2006)*

**PART IV****TRUCK ROUTE****SECTION 15-401. Designate Route.**

That for the protection of certain streets in the Borough of Harmony and for the safety of the traveling public, vehicles above the weight limits set by the Borough of Harmony in Chapter 15, Part 3, must follow the established truck routes when traveling through the Borough of Harmony. The truck routes are established as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of Route 68 and Main Street, and proceeding to the intersection of Main Street and German Street; thence proceeding East on German Street to the Borough boundary also Spring Street from German Street to Mercer Street and then either East or West on Mercer Street to the west driveway of the property now or formerly known as the Moose Lodge. At the West end of Mercer Street the truck route proceeds South on Water Street. Gallyhill Street from the West side of Main Street West to the B&O Railroad. Old Mercer Road from the Borough boundary to the intersection of Evergreen Mill Road. All of Evergreen Mill Road within the Borough boundaries as shown on the official zoning map #223 of the Borough of Harmony.

*(Ord. 354, 1/18/2000, §1, Ord. 372, 6/6/2006)*

**SECTION 15-402. Prohibition.**

That from and after the enactment of this Ordinance it shall be unlawful for any vehicle over the weight limit set forth in Chapter 15, Part 3. To use any other streets in the Borough of Harmony except those set forth in Section 401 of this Ordinance and designated as the official truck routes. Vehicles using the truck routes would be governed by the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as to weight and size of such vehicles.

*(Ord. 269, 2/3/1981, §2, Ord. 372, 6/6/2006)*

**SECTION 15-403. Signage.**

Appropriate signs visible to the traveling public and displaying the words "Truck Route" shall be erected at convenient points on said streets and intersections and to the right of approaching traffic.

*(Ord. 269, 2/3/1981, §3)*

**SECTION 15-404. Penalty.**

Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this Chapter and Part shall be liable for a penalty of Six Hundred (\$600.00) dollars for each offense plus costs of prosecution the same for the use of the Borough of Harmony and to be collected as like fines and penalties are now by law collectable under the appropriate jurisdiction of the appropriate officials of this Commonwealth.

*(Ord. 269, 2/3/1981, §4, Ord. 372, 6/6/2006)*

**PART V**  
**GENERAL PARKING REGULATIONS**

**SECTION 15-501. Parking Prohibited at All Times in Certain Locations.**

Parking shall be prohibited at all times in the following locations:

(a)	<u>Street</u>	<u>Side</u>	<u>Between</u>
	Center	North	Division to Pittsburgh
	Pittsburgh	East	Entire length
	Edmond	West	First to Second
	Eutah	East	Entire Length
	Jackson	South	Main to Liberty
	Spring	West East	Mercer for 80' South German to Mercer
	Mercer	North South North/South South North North	Eutah to Liberty Main to Bridge Liberty to Main Water Street to Liberty Street Main Street to 103 ft. east of Spring Street Aster Lane to Bridge
	German	South North/South	Monroe to Main Main Street east to Borough line
	Main	East East East West West West	Jackson to North Diamond Middle of Diamond to German German Street to Evans City Road Gallyhill for 50' South Route 68 for 149' North Mercer Street to Robinson Street
	Robinson	North	Main for 60' West

Wood	West East	Mercer Street for 140' South Mercer Street for entire length North
Liberty	West	Jackson Street to Robinson Street
Beaver	North	Pittsburgh Street to Division Street

(b) All sidewalks adjacent to streets in the Borough of Harmony.

(Ord 361, 1/2/2001, §1 Ord. 362, 2/6/2001, §1, Ord. 372, 6/6/2006)

**SECTION 15-502. Parking Prohibited in Certain Locations Certain Days and Hours.**

Parking shall be prohibited in the following locations at all times on the days and between the hours indicated in this Section as follows:

Street	Side	Days	Hours
Spring	East/West	All	One Hour Parking
Mercer	North/South	All	One Hour Parking
Main/Mercer Intersection	All Sides	All	No Parking from 12:00 a.m. to 6:00 a.m.; 2 Hour Parking 6:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m.

(Ord. 325, \_\_/\_\_/1993, §2, Ord. 372, 6/6/2006)

**SECTION 15-503. Special Purpose Parking Zones Established; Parking Otherwise Prohibited.**

The following are established as special purpose parking zones, and it shall be unlawful for any person to park a vehicle or to allow it to remain parked, in any such zone, except as specifically provided for that zone:

(a) The Harmony Borough Parking lot at the corner of Spring and German Streets is intended to be used by individuals working or visiting Harmony Borough

1. Parking is permitted in the lot from 6:00 am until 2:00 am.

2. Out of town visitors may obtain an overnight parking permit for up to 3 days by applying at the Harmony Borough Office.
3. Buses and oversized vehicles must park at the rear of the parking lot.
4. No commercial activity may take place on the Borough Lot without the written approval of Harmony Borough.

There shall be no parking by any fire hydrant or at any intersection within the distances prescribed in the Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code.

*(Ord. 60, 8/1/1921, Ord. 372, 6/6/2006)*

#### **SECTION 15-504. Penalties.**

Any person who violates any provision of this Part shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) and costs. Provided: it shall be the duty of the police officers and of parking enforcement personnel of the Borough to report to the appropriate official all violations of any provision of this Part, indicating, in each case: the section violated; the license number of the vehicle involved in the violation; the location where the violation took place; and any other facts that might be necessary in order to secure a clear understanding of the circumstances attending the violation. The police officer or other person making the report shall also attach to or place upon every such vehicle a notice stating that the vehicle was parked in violation of this Part.

*(Ord. 372, 6/6/2006)*