

Chapter 161

VEHICLES, UNREGISTERED

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[HISTORY: Adopted 3-4-1968 Annual Town Meeting, Art. 41. Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES

Junk dealers and collectors - See Ch. 112.
Traffic rules and regulations - Sec Ch. 193.

§ 161-1. Prohibited activity.

Not more than one (1) unregistered motor vehicle which has been inoperable and unfit for vehicular use may be allowed to stand on any premises in the town, which is unlicensed under MGL C.140, § 57.

§ 161-1.1. Junk motor vehicles. [Added 5-14-1986 ATM, Art 48; amended 5-10-2004 ATM, Art. 42]

No junk motor vehicles, as defined herein, shall be parked or stored on any lot in any district other than in a completely enclosed building, provided that one (1) such vehicle may be kept behind the building line of the principal structure in any side or rear yard which cannot be viewed from a way, public park or public beach. A "junk motor vehicle" is defined as one which is worn out or discarded or which is ready for dismantling or destruction or which has been collected or stored for salvage or for stripping in order to make use of parts thereof. Any parts from such vehicles shall be considered to be junk motor vehicles. A motor vehicle without current registration or license plates for the current year shall be considered to be a junk motor vehicle, except that an unregistered vehicle used for farm or garden purposes or for recreational or camping purposes, such as campers, trailers, dune buggies or skimobiles, shall not be considered to be a junk motor vehicle for that reason alone. The Board of Selectmen may issue a permit to keep one or more than one junk motor vehicle if the Board determines that to do so will not be injurious or offensive to the neighborhood, will not depreciate property values, will not create a hazard to the public safety and will not become a public nuisance. Applications to keep one or more than one junk vehicle must be submitted to the Board of Selectmen. Before such permit is given, a public

hearing shall be held by the Board of Selectmen. A notice of the public hearing shall be given to the applicant, who will notify, by certified mail, all owners on land directly abutting said location, including those across the street, as appearing in the most recent tax list certified by the Board of Assessors. Proof of notice to the abutters shall be provided by the applicant to the Board no later than at the time of the public hearing.

§ 161-1.2. Permit fees. [Added 5-10-2004 ATM, Art. 42]

Permits shall carry a permit fee of \$25.

§ 161-2. Determination by Selectmen.

The Selectmen's judgment shall be final as to determining whether or not a motor vehicle is junked and dilapidated.

§ 161-3. Violations and penalties.

Penalty for a breach hereof shall be in an amount not in excess of twenty dollars (\$20.) for each offense. Each day that such violation continues shall constitute a separate offense, which may be recovered by indictment or on complaint before a district court.