

ARTICLE - 14

PROHIBITION OF JUNK MOTOR VEHICLES

Section 1400 Intent

It is the intent of this section to regulate junk motor vehicles.

Section 1401 Collector's Vehicle

This Article is not intended to prevent a person from storing or keeping, or restrict a person in the method of storing or keeping, any collector's vehicle on private property with the permission of the person having the right to the possession of the property, except that a person having such permission shall be required to conceal, by means of buildings, fences, vegetation, terrain, or other suitable screening, any unlicensed collector's vehicle stored in the open. Regardless of whether it is licensed or unlicensed, a collector's vehicle is a "junk motor vehicle" for purposes of this section if the collector's vehicle meets all of the criteria contained in Article 2 – Definitions, under Junk Motor Vehicles. If a collector's vehicle meets all the criteria contained in Article 2 – Definitions, under Junk Motor Vehicles, Etna Township shall regulate the storage of that motor vehicle on private or public property in the same manner that the storage of any other junk motor vehicle is regulated.

Section 1402 Notification of Property Owner

After determining that a motor vehicle fits the definitions stated in Section 1401, the zoning inspector shall notify the person having the right to the possession of the property on which the junk motor vehicle is located that a violation has occurred. The notification may be delivered in person, or may be sent by certified mail with return receipt requested. The notice shall state that within ten (10) days of receipt of the notice, the junk motor vehicle shall be covered by being housed in an enclosed garage or accessory building, or shall be removed from the property.

Section 1403 Property Owners Right of Appeal

Any person wishing to appeal the decision made by the zoning inspector or the provisions of this article may appeal such decision to the Etna Township Board of Zoning Appeals in accordance with Section 507.

Section 1404 Legitimate Repairs

Vehicles undergoing legitimate repairs in a timely and consistent manner shall be exempt from the provisions of this article.

Section 1405 Enforcement

No person shall willfully leave a junk motor vehicle uncovered by not being housed in an enclosed garage or accessory building for more than ten (10) days after receipt of a notice as provided in this article. The fact that a junk motor vehicle is so left is prima-facie evidence of willful failure to comply with the notice, and each subsequent day that a junk motor vehicle continues to be so left constitutes a separate offense under this zoning resolution.