

Harrison Township Code of Ordinances

Chapter 10: Health and Safety

Part 2: STORAGE OF REFUSE

§ 201 Definitions.

[Ord. 1187, 4/10/1964, § 1; as amended by Ord. 1759, 6/4/1984, § 1]

For the purposes of this Part, words used in the present tense includes the future, words in the singular includes the plural number and vice versa, the word shall is mandatory and the following words are intended to have the meaning hereinafter attributed to them, viz:

JUNK

Includes all automobiles which are not operable and which do not possess a current state inspection sticker, all automobiles which are not operable and have not been operated for a period of two weeks or more, all broken down or dismantled automobiles or parts of dismantled automobiles or automotive equipment, other dismantled machinery, any accumulation of containers or wastes resulting from any commercial or industrial operation, and any and all other materials commonly denoted and known as junk. This definition shall not apply to the operation of the commercial junkyard subject to special regulation under other Township ordinances, resolutions or regulations.

REFUSE

All cans, cartons and containers which were receptacles for food or were receptacles for materials normally used in and about the enjoyment of human habitation, but specifically shall not include ashes, yard clippings, discarded furniture, machinery, parts of dismantled automobiles or equipment or any accumulation of containers or waste resulting from any commercial or industrial operation.

RUBBISH

All nonputrescible solid wastes which are not hereinabove classified as refuse, whether combustible or noncombustible, such as ashes, yard clippings, newspapers, magazines, discarded furniture and bedding.

§ 202 Accumulation Prohibited.

[Ord. 1187, 4/10/1964, § 2; as amended by Ord. 1759, 6/4/1984, § 2; and by Ord. 1787, 9/21/1987, § 3]

1. On and after the effective date of this Part, no owner or occupant of any property, building, premises, or part thereof, within the Township shall accumulate or suffer to be accumulated upon said property, building or premises any refuse, rubbish or junk as defined in this Part.

2. No owner of any broken down or partially dismantled automobile shall allow said vehicle to be parked on any public street or alley within the Township.

3. It shall be unlawful for any person to dump or discard any refuse, rubbish or junk upon any public highway, street or alley or upon any public easement or in any public sewer in said Township.

4. No portion of the front yard of any property in any residential, special, or conservation district as defined in the Zoning Chapter shall be used or be permitted to be used for the storage of any vehicles, goods, machinery, appliances or equipment for a period of more than one week.

§ 203 Enforcement; Penalties.

[Ord. 1187, 4/10/1964, § 3; as amended by Ord. 1688, 6/23/1980, § 1; by Ord. 1759, 6/4/1984, § 3; and by Ord. 1782, 2/16/1987]

1. Penalties. Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part 2 shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$300 and/or to imprisonment for a term not to exceed 90 days.

2. Each and every day that a violation of this Part is permitted to continue 24 hours after receiving notice of said violation from the police of the Township of Harrison shall be construed to constitute another separate and distinct offense under this Part and shall be subject to separate and distinct penalties thereon.

3. In the event any land is, or is proposed to be used in violation of this Part, the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Harrison may, in addition to other remedies, institute in the name of the Township any appropriate action or proceeding to prevent, restrain, correct or abate any such illegal accumulation of refuse, rubbish or junk, or to prevent any act, conduct, business or use constituting a violation.