

**NOTICE OF ADOPTION**

I, Teri Davis, do hereby certify:

1. That I am the Clerk of Council of the Council of the City of Centerville, Ohio;  
and
2. That on the 6th day of May, 2024,  
Ordinance No. 11-24 was adopted by the Centerville City Council; and
3. That a certified copy of Ordinance No. 11-24 was published in the  
posting locations prescribed by the City of Centerville Council.

  
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Clerk of Council

ORDINANCE NO. 11-24  
CITY OF CENTERVILLE, OHIO

SPONSORED BY COUNCILMEMBER Mark Expert ON THE 6<sup>th</sup> DAY  
OF May, 2024.

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 660.07, DEPOSIT  
AND STORAGE OF JUNK, JUNK CARS AND RUBBISH OF  
THE CENTERVILLE MUNICIPAL CODE TO UPDATE THE  
DEFINITIONS AND NOTICE REQUIREMENTS.**

WHEREAS, Section 660.07 of the Centerville Municipal Code establishes rules and regulations for junk, junk cars and rubbish within the City of Centerville; and

WHEREAS, the City intends to update the ordinance definitions and notice requirements; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined it to be in the best interests of the City to update the requirements.

NOW THEREFORE, THE MUNICIPALITY OF CENTERVILLE  
HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That the following amendment to Section 660.07 of the Centerville Municipal Code is hereby enacted as follows with new language to be added in *italics* and text to be deleted in ~~strikeout~~ as provided in Section 5.02 of the Centerville Charter:

660.07 DEPOSIT AND STORAGE OF JUNK, JUNK CARS AND  
RUBBISH.

(a) Definitions. As used in this section:

(1) “Unlicensed, inoperative, abandoned or junked motor vehicle” means:

A. Any vehicle not capable of legal operation on public streets in accordance with applicable ordinances and laws. The fact that a vehicle is not ~~equipped with displaying a valid license plates plate and validation sticker~~ as required by State law shall mean that it is not capable of such legal operation on public streets. Further, an inoperative, abandoned or junked vehicle is also defined as one that is partially dismantled, wrecked or deteriorating to such an extent that its continued presence would create a negative impact on property values and/or create a blighting influence on the neighborhood.

B. A motor vehicle being stored for service and repair. However, if such motor vehicle was impounded by order of the Manager or anyone designated by him or her in accordance with the provisions of division (d) of this section, or by order of the Chief of Police, such motor vehicle shall not be considered a junk car.

(2) "Reconditioning" means the process of restoring, refurbishing or repairing a motor vehicle, which process must be performed in an enclosed area.

(3) "Unenclosed areas" and "unenclosed" refer to areas not enclosed by a building with walls through which one cannot see.

(b) General Prohibition; Exceptions.

(1) No person, firm or corporation shall deposit, store, maintain or collect, or permit the deposit, storage, maintenance or collection of any unlicensed, inoperative, abandoned or junked motor vehicle in unenclosed areas on his or her premises or on any premises under his or her control which are unenclosed, or in any other place within the City, except as expressly provided by law.

(2) The provisions of this division (b) shall not apply to the deposit and storage of junk, junk cars or rubbish in regularly established dumps, junk yards or salvage and scrap metal yards *permitted* within the City.

(c) Time Limit for Removal or Enclosure and Method of Notification. Any person violating any provision of this section shall, within 72 hours after notification of such violation by a person acting on behalf of the City, remove or cause to be removed any unlicensed, inoperative, abandoned or junked motor vehicle or have the same placed in an enclosure or building with walls through which one cannot see, and in the event of failure, within such 72-hour period, to comply with such notice, he or she shall be deemed guilty of violating the provisions of this section. Notification shall be by ~~certified or registered letter~~ *regular mail* to the owner of the real property upon which the violation occurs at the then-current tax mailing address of the owner or by personal service by either a Code Official or a City police officer. Personal service shall be considered valid and received by the owner if served upon an adult human being at said real property. ~~If such service is refused or undeliverable, notification~~ *Notification* may be made by posting in a prominent place on said property.

(d) Removal of Junk Cars by City; Impounding. The Manager or anyone designated by him or her is hereby authorized to remove or have removed any junk car left at any place within the City which is in violation of this section. Such junk car shall be impounded until lawfully claimed or disposed of in accordance with Ohio R.C. Chapter 737 or 4513.60.

(e) Penalty. Whoever violates any of the provisions of this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor for a first offense and a misdemeanor of the third degree for each


subsequent offense. A separate offense shall be deemed committed each day during or on which a violation occurs or continues.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be effective from and after the earliest date allowed by law.

PASSED THIS 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2024.

  
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Mayor of the City of Centerville, Ohio

ATTEST:

  
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Clerk of Council  
City of Centerville, Ohio

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned, Clerk of Council of the City of Centerville, Ohio, hereby certifies the foregoing to be a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 11-24, passed by the Council of the City of Centerville, Ohio on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2024.

  
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Clerk of the Council

Approved as to form, consistency with the  
Charter and Constitutional Provisions.  
Department of Law  
Scott A. Liberman  
Municipal Attorney