

THE CORPORATION OF TOWNSHIP OF ST. CLAIR BY-LAW NUMBER 22 OF 2023

** As Amended by Bylaw 21 of 2024 **

Being a by-law to prohibit the parking of vehicles and recreational trailers in certain locations and at certain times within the Township of St. Clair [replacing By-law 33 of 2017].

WHEREAS the Municipal Act, R.S.O., 1990, Chapter M.45, Section 210(131) allows a municipality to regulate the parking of vehicles on municipal property.

AND, WHEREAS the Municipal Council of The Corporation of The Township of St. Clair deems it desirable to regulate the parking of vehicles and trailers during certain times and in certain locations in the interest of public safety and conveyance;

NOW, THEREFORE the Council of the Corporation of The Township of St. Clair enacts as follows:

Definitions:

For the purposes of this By-law, the below words are defined as follows:

- a) "Camping Trailer" includes all recreational vehicles (RV's) and nonmotorized units used as shelter for recreational camping and includes tent trailers;
- b) "Commercial Trailer" means any trailer used to haul machinery, material or tools associated with a commercial or industrial operation;
- c) "Derelict Vehicle" means any wrecked, dismantled, inoperative, unused or unlicensed vehicle and a vehicle with an expired license;
- d) "intersection" means the point where the travelled portion of two roads would meet if they continued straight, and did not curve towards each other; [added by BL 21 of 2024]
- e) "Lawn" includes any required yard space that is not otherwise covered by asphalt, concrete, blocks, stone or gravel.
- f) "Marine Vehicle" includes any watercraft, motorized and non-motorized, and all trailers used for their storage and transportation;
- g) "private laneway/driveway" means any gravel, concrete, or asphalt lane clearly used as an access point to private property; [added by BL 21 of 2024]
- h) "Recreational Trailer" means all trailers used to haul marine vehicles and recreational vehicles including but not limited to snow machine trailers and motocross and All-Terrain Vehicle trailers;
- i) "Vehicle" means any and all motorized vehicles both licensed and considered derelict, and includes recreational vehicles, marine vehicles, trailers and other similar transportation and recreational units.

On-Street Winter Parking

1. No person shall park or leave a *vehicle* on a highway, road or street in such a manner that may result in interference with the clearing of snow or any winter control operation conducted by municipal forces or contracts during the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m., local time during the period of December 1st to April 1st.

Long Term Parking

 No person shall leave any vehicle parked, or stored on any Township road or highway for a period of longer than 48 hours. Should a vehicle be parked contrary to this provision, it may be removed according to Section 14 of this by-law.

Derelict Vehicles

- 3. No person shall park a *derelict vehicle* on any public road or highway at any time.
- 4. No person shall park a *derelict vehicle* on any *lawn*, front, side, or exterior side yard, or on any Township boulevard at any time.

Trailer Parking

- 5. No person shall store, park, or leave a *marine vehicle*, *camping trailer*, *commercial trailer*, or *recreational trailer* on any road or highway at any time when not physically attached to a legally parked licensed motor *vehicle*.
- 6. No person shall store, park, or leave a marine vehicle, camping trailer, commercial trailer, or recreational trailer in any private laneway where it extends beyond the property line along the street on which it abuts.

Trailer Parking - Winter Months

7. No person shall store, park, or leave a camping trailer or marine *vehicle* in a private laneway between the third Monday of October through April 1 in any year, unless fully beyond the minimum front yard setback from the property line, as per the current Township Zoning By-law.

Township Boulevards

8. No person shall park a *vehicle* including, but not limited to, *derelict vehicles* as defined above, *recreational trailers*, *camping trailers*, *commercial trailers*, ATV's/OTV's, or *marine vehicles* on Township boulevards, being the portion of a yard between the curb or beginning of grassed area (where there are no curbs) and the property line, with the exception of within a defined driveway where permitted without blocking a municipal sidewalk.

Sidewalks

9. No person shall park, store, or leave any *vehicle* in a location that obstructs a municipal sidewalk at any time.

Lawns

10. No person shall park, store, or leave any *vehicle* on any *lawn* at any time. For the purposes of this provision, tire tracks created on a *lawn* from repetitive use does not constitute a permitted parking area, and any *vehicle* parking on a lawn in such tracks violates this provision.

Fire Hydrants

11. No person shall park, store, or leave any *vehicle* within three (3) metres of a fire hydrant measured perpendicularly from the curb or travelled portion of the road.

Parking Against Traffic

12. No person shall park, store, or leave any *vehicle* parked on the side of the road that is facing the opposite direction of the legal flow of traffic for that side of the road.

Parking Across Laneways [added by BL 21 of 2024]

13. No person shall park, stop, or store vehicle where it blocks or obstructs access to or from a private laneway/driveway.

Parking Close to Intersections [added by BL 21 of 2024]

14. No person shall park or stop any vehicle within 9 metres of an intersection.

Enforcement

- 15. A constable, officer, Police Officer, enforcement officer, or other person or company may be appointed from time to time for the carrying out and enforcement of the provisions of the Highway Traffic Act and/or this by-law.
- 16. Any *vehicle* that is parked, left, or abandoned in contravention of this by-law may be removed and taken to a suitable place or impounded at a private facility by the Township or the Township's agents at the owner's expense. The Township may use any third-party towing company or impound facility to remove and impound *vehicles* at its discretion. All costs and charges for removing, caring for, and storage of any *vehicle* removed in accordance with this by-law shall form a lien upon the *vehicle* which shall be payable by the owner before the *vehicle* may be released to the owner or any third party.
- 17. Every person who contravenes any provision of this by-law is guilty of an offence and upon conviction is liable to a fine as provided for by S. 61 of the Provincial Offences Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chapter P.33, as amended.
- 18. That this By-law shall come into force and effect on the passing thereof.

READ the first and second time this 3rd day of April, 2023.

READ a third time and finally passed, signed and sealed this 3rd day of April, 2023.

Clerk Jeff Baranek

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ST. CLAIR PART II PROVINCIAL OFFENCES ACT SCHEDULE "A"

TO BY-LAW 22 OF 2023 – Being a by-law prohibit parking of specific vehicles in specific locations throughout the Township.

ITEM	COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2	COLUMN 3	COLUMN 4
	Short Form Wording	Provision Creating or Defining Offence	Voluntary Payment Payable within 7 days	Set Fine
1.	Parking on municipal street within the hours of 1:00- 7:00am between December 1 and April 1	Section 1	\$25	\$35
2.	Parking a Vehicle on a public street in the same location for a period longer than 48 hours	Section 2	\$55	\$70
3.	Parking a derelict vehicle on a public street	Section 3	\$25	\$35
4.	Parking a derelict vehicle on a lawn	Section 4	\$55	\$70
5.	Parking a prohibited vehicle on a Township Boulevard	Section 8	\$25	\$35
6.	Parking in a location that obstructs a municipal sidewalk	Section 9	\$25	\$35
7.	Parking a vehicle on a lawn	Section 10	\$25	\$35
8.	Parking within 3 metres of a fire hydrant	Section 11	\$25	\$35
9.	Parking on the wrong side of the road opposing the direction of traffic	Section 12	\$25	\$35
10. [added by BL 21 of 2024]	Parking a vehicle where it blocked or obstructed a private laneway/driveway	Section 13	\$25	\$35
11. [added by BL 21 of 2024]	Parking a vehicle within 9 metres of an intersection	Section 14	\$25	\$35

Note: The general penalty provision for the offences listed above is Section 17 of By-law 22 of 2023, a certified copy of which has been filed.

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ST. CLAIR PART I PROVINCIAL OFFENCES ACT SCHEDULE "B"

TO BY-LAW 22 OF 2023 – Being a by-law prohibit parking of specific vehicles in specific locations throughout the Township.

ITEM	COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2	COLUMN 3
	Short Form Wording	Provision Creating or Defining Offence	Set Fine
1.	Storing or leaving a trailer on the road when not attached to a motor vehicle	Section 5	\$35
2.	Storing or leaving a boat or trailer beyond a lot line onto public land	Section 6	\$35
3.	Storing or leaving boat or trailer within front yard setback between 3 rd Monday in October and April 1	Section 7	\$35

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