

CHAPTER 95: ABANDONED AND UNREGISTERED VEHICLES

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prohibition, limit, or restriction without the permission of the owner or lessee, it is deemed abandoned and constitutes a public nuisance.
(Ord. 95A, passed 7-1-91)

§ 95.04 EXCEPTIONS.

A vehicle shall not be considered abandoned if it is out of the ordinary public view.
(Ord. 95A, passed 7-1-91)

§ 95.01 ABANDONMENT OF VEHICLES PROHIBITED.

No person shall leave unattended any vehicle on any public highway or private or public property for such time and under such circumstances as to cause the vehicle to reasonably appear to have been abandoned.

(Ord. 95A, passed 7-1-91) Penalty, see § 95.99

§ 95.02 DEFINITION.

The term "vehicle" means a motor vehicle, trailer, semi-trailer, or mobile home.

(Ord. 95A, passed 7-1-91)

§ 95.03 PRESUMPTION OF ABANDONMENT.

Whenever any vehicle has been left unattended for more than 48 hours on any public highway or property or on private property where parking is prohibited, limited, or restricted in violation of the

§ 95.05 INOPERABLE VEHICLES.

(A) As used in this chapter, inoperable motor vehicle shall include any motor vehicle, trailer, semi-trailer, or mobile home which is mechanically inoperable, junked, ruined, dismantled, or wrecked, whether or not licensed and including any parts thereof.

(B) Inoperable motor vehicles left in general public view are deemed a nuisance by the city.
(Ord. 95A, passed 7-1-91)

§ 95.06 COSTS OF IMPOUNDMENT AND SALE.

The owner of any vehicle violating this chapter, except a stolen vehicle, is responsible for all costs of impounding and disposing of the vehicle. Costs not recovered from the sale of the vehicle may be recovered in a civil action by the city against the owner. Whether or not the city recovers the cost of towing and enforcement, the city shall be responsible

for the towing service and reasonable charges for the impoundment.

(Ord. 95A, passed 7-1-91)

§ 95.07 SALE OF IMPOUNDED VEHICLES.

The city may sell impounded vehicles after notice as provided in Wis. Stats. § 342.40(3)(c) by sealed bid or auction sale. The procedure for the sale shall be as provided in Wis. Stats. § 342.40(3)(c).

(Ord. 95A, passed 7-1-91)

§ 95.08 UNREGISTERED VEHICLES.

(A) No person shall keep any motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer or any other vehicle from which a registration is specifically prescribed under Wis. Stats. Ch. 341 within the City of Alma, for any period exceeding 30 days unless the vehicle in question is either registered in this state, or exempt from registration under Wis. Stats. § 341.30 or 341.305.

(B) Unregistered motor vehicles left in general public view are deemed a nuisance by the city.

(Ord. 95M, passed 3-6-06)

Cross-reference:

Nuisances, see Ch. 96

§ 95.99 PENALTY.

Any person violating this chapter shall be subject to a forfeiture not to exceed \$500. Each day that the violation continues shall constitute a separate offense. The forfeiture shall be in addition to the responsibility for any other costs as provided in this chapter.

(Ord. 95A, passed 7-1-91)