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[Adopted 2-4-1971 by Ord. No. 89]

§ 198-1. Interpretation.

This article is an exercise of the police powers of the township and of the general corporate powers thereof, with particular reference to the supervision, regulation of use and maintenance of public thoroughfares within said township and all of the provisions of this article shall be liberally construed for the accomplishment of these purposes.

§ 198-2. Definitions.

For the purposes of this article and the enforcement thereof, the following words, terms and phrases shall have the meaning herein assigned to them, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

PARKING — Bringing a vehicle to a complete stop and permitting said vehicle, whether attended or unattended, to remain immobile for any period of time in excess of one hour.

PUBLIC THOROUGHFARE — Any state, county or township of road, street, lane, alley or way within the geographical limits the Township of West Deer Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, including, but not being limited to, the paved portion of the highway and the rights-of-way appurtenant thereto, being the entire legal right-of-way owned by the respective governmental units.

VEHICLE — Includes automobiles, motorcycles, trucks, tractors, trailers or any and all other mobile piece of machinery or equipment.

§ 198-3. Parking of unlicensed or inoperative vehicles prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for any person to park on any public thoroughfare within said township a vehicle which is unlicensed or inoperative for any reason whatsoever.

§ 198-4. Parking of vehicle during repair prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for any person to park a vehicle on any public thoroughfare within said township while said vehicle is being repaired or serviced mechanically.

§ 198-5. Violations and penalties.¹ [Amended 1-22-1997 by Ord. No. 265]

Any person violating the provision of this article shall, upon summary conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$600, plus costs of prosecution, and, in default of the payment thereof, shall undergo imprisonment for not more than five days.

§ 198-6. Refusal to remove vehicle; removal by township. [Amended 8-8-1974 by Ord. No. 99]

- A. If the owner or person violating the above provisions of this article shall, after conviction, refuse to remove said vehicle from the public thoroughfare or if the vehicle has been parked for 48 hours in violation of this article, the police are empowered to have said vehicle removed from the public thoroughfare, with all costs being placed against the person violating said article, together with a penalty of 10% of the costs incurred, which shall be in addition to the penalty under § 198-5 of this article.
- B. If a motor vehicle has remained on the public thoroughfare in violation of this article for more than 48 hours and if the identity of the owner cannot be determined with reasonable certainty, the police are empowered to have said vehicle removed from the public thoroughfare by making written request to a salvor as provided in state law.

¹ Editor's Note: See also Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. III, Violations and Penalties.

