

2018

Village of
Northbrook
Municipal
Code

Amendments
As Adopted

Sec. 1-11. - Annual fee ordinance.

The board of trustees shall annually adopt an ordinance setting forth the applicable fees and charges due for the various licenses, permits and services authorized by this Code and by other ordinances of the village. Whenever reference is made to the "annual fee ordinance", such reference shall mean the most current annual ordinance adopted pursuant to this section. By this reference, the annual fee ordinance, as the same may, from time to time, be amended, is hereby incorporated herein as if fully set forth herein.

The following fine shall be imposed for each violation of Village Codes:

A. \$50.00 - \$10,000.00 for each violation

Sec. 1-16. - Service of citations or complaints.

- (a) A citation or complaint for any ordinance violation or any violation of this Code may be served by certified mail, return receipt requested; by personal service by a police or fire officer of the village; or by personal service by the director or a designated employee of the department of engineering or the department of development and planning services; or by posting in a conspicuous place in or about the premises or structure affected by such notice, in the case of a property violation.
- (b) Personal service of a citation shall be made either by personally delivering the citation or complaint to the defendant, or by leaving a copy at the defendant's usual place of abode with some person of the defendant's family of the age of thirteen (13) years or older, and informing that person of the contents thereof, provided, that a copy of the citation or complaint shall also be sent in a sealed envelope with postage fully pre-paid, addressed to the defendant at his or her usual place of abode.

Sec. 16-2. - Motor vehicles.

The following vehicles shall constitute a nuisance:

(a) All inoperable and/or unlicensed motor vehicles, whether located on public or private property, are nuisances.

- In this section "inoperable motor vehicle" means any of the following:

i. A motor vehicle from which, for a period of at least 48 hours the engine, wheels or other parts have been altered, damaged or otherwise so treated that the vehicle is incapable of being driven under its own motor power.

ii. A vehicle, other than a vehicle awaiting timely repair at an automotive repair shop, gasoline station or new or used car dealer, and which is stored in compliance with all applicable zoning requirements, that is incapable of being driven or used for the purpose or use for which it was designed.

iii. The lack of a current state or village vehicle license or a current state emissions test sticker shall create a rebuttable presumption that the vehicle is unlicensed.

- Any vehicle that is not parked on an approved surface (notwithstanding any existing legally nonconforming surfaces within the Village). For the purposes of this section, hard surface shall be deemed to include concrete, asphalt, paving, brick, block or other surface approved by the Village Engineer.

(b) Any vehicle kept under a tarp or car cover for more than 120 days.

(c) No vehicle shall be located on the exterior property of any premises or on any public property while being used for the storage of garbage, rubbish, or other materials:

- 1) In such a manner as to obstruct the view of the driver to the front or sides of the vehicle or to interfere with the driver's control of the driving mechanism; and
- 2) For a period of more than forty-eight (48) hours.

Sec. 21-62. - Containers.

(a) Storage of waste.

- (1) Solid waste. All solid waste shall be stored for collection in waste containers, as defined in this chapter.
- (2) Landscape waste. All landscape waste shall be stored for collection in metal or plastic cans, not exceeding thirty-two (32) gallons in capacity, or biodegradable paper "kraft"-type bags not exceeding thirty-two (32) gallons in capacity, fifty (50) pounds in weight or shall be tightly tied with biodegradable string or twine, in bundles not exceeding four feet in length with limbs and trunks less than four (4) inches in diameter. No bundle shall exceed fifty (50) pounds in weight.
- (3) Recyclables. All recyclable materials shall be contained in a container provided by any duly licensed waste disposal firm.
- (4) Disposal of garbage.
 - a. Every occupant of a structure shall dispose of garbage in a clean and sanitary manner by placing such garbage in an approved garbage disposal facility or approved garbage containers.
 - b. Owners may be subject to immediate fines if garbage is not contained and trash or debris has spread onto any adjacent property or public way.

(b) Maintenance. All containers shall be maintained in good order and repair at all times. Filthy, leaking or defective receptacles shall be cleaned, repaired or replaced by the owner or occupant of the residential dwelling, and at his expense, as directed by the village manager or his representative. All containers shall be disinfected with an effective antiseptic solution as often as is necessary to maintain them in a sanitary condition. All containers shall be provided with secure, close-fitting covers for the storage of such materials until removed from the premises for disposal.

(c) Container location. It shall be the duty of every owner or occupant of any residential dwelling to place garbage and landscape containers together on the side or rear of the house, or inside the garage. Containers may not be placed in front of the front plane of the house except for pickup. (On corner lots, the containers may not encroach the front plane of the house on either of its sides that face public streets.) Except for the day of collection, it shall be unlawful for any customer to place a container within any public alley or street right-of-way. All containers placed upon public street or alley rights-of-way in accordance with regulations for such collection service options may be so placed up to one day ahead of the scheduled collection service. Such containers shall be returned to their location on the premises within one day after the collection service has been performed.

(d) Inspection. All waste containers shall be subject to inspection and approval by the village sanitarian under final approval of the village manager.

(e) Dumpsters. In the absence of an active building permit, dumpsters, trash containers, construction debris containers, roll-off containers and similar receptacles must adhere to the following restrictions:

1. Only one (1) dumpster is permitted per property.
2. A maximum of three (3) receptacles shall be permitted on the exterior of any property, unless enclosed with an opaque fence.
3. Dumpster storage is limited in use to 15 days per 90-day period.
4. Dumpsters must be stored entirely on private property.
5. Dumpsters may not block the public sidewalk.
6. Debris within the receptacle may not exceed the top of the container.
7. Debris within the receptacle may not be allowed to escape the container by blowing, falling out, etc.

(f) Portable storage units (i.e. POD, Ubox, Door to Door Smartbox) must adhere to the following restrictions:

1. Only one (1) unit is permitted per property.
2. Storage units are limited in use to 15 days per 90-day period.
3. Storage units must be stored entirely on private property.
4. Storage units may not block the public sidewalk.

Sec. 21-63. - Disposal.

(a) Lawful methods of disposal. All refuse produced on the premises of any residential dwelling shall be disposed of by the person in possession of the premises by the acquisition of refuse removal services for each such residential dwelling from a waste disposal firm holding a franchise from the village pursuant to section 21-10 of this Code, with pickup and removal of such refuse by such waste disposal firm to be only from the premises on which the refuse is generated and not from any location other than the premises on which the refuse is generated. It shall be presumed that all residential dwellings in the village generate refuse. The village manager or his designee may waive the requirement of this subsection for a particular premises only upon receipt of a written request from the owner of the premises therefor, supported by clear and convincing evidence, as determined by the village manager or his designee in their sole and absolute discretion, that no refuse other than recyclable materials are and will be generated by the occupants of the premises. The decision of the village manager or his designee to grant, or deny, such a waiver request shall be final. Refuse produced on the premises of any residential dwelling may be disposed of pursuant only to those specific additional methods of disposal expressly authorized by, and approved pursuant to, this chapter.

(b) Preparation of garbage. It shall be the duty of every person in possession of any premises to cause all garbage produced on the premises to be thoroughly drained of all surplus liquid, securely wrapped or bagged in paper or packed in a covered box or carton of such dimension as will permit its free passage into and out of the waste containers and, finally, deposited after such wrapping or bagging in such waste container as soon as practicable after the same is produced thereon. Materials of every character shall be securely wrapped or bound in such manner as may be necessary to prevent scattering, and shall be deposited in a waste container or otherwise deposited as prescribed herein. All surplus refuse, such as newspapers, grass, leaves, hedge and garden

clippings, shall be placed on the parkway in neat and orderly bundles not to exceed the equivalent of the quantity control for the collection and disposal service being received.

(c) Removal of bulky refuse items. Bulky refuse items which cannot be lifted and/or transported with ease, e.g., discarded household furniture, furnishings, fixtures and appliances of all kinds; tree trunks; roots, construction materials, etc., may be removed from the parkway for an additional fee to be set by the waste disposal firm or in an applicable franchise agreement. Such items shall not be placed in waste containers, but may be placed on the parkway, in a safe condition, with doors removed, for prompt collection and disposal upon arrangements being made for such service.

(d) Other methods of disposal. Garbage and other combustible refuse may be disposed of within the building where it is accumulated or within a closed building accessory thereto situated on the same premises by complete incineration of such garbage or refuse in such manner as to create no noxious odors, smoke or other nuisance, or by grinding or by shredding such refuse finely and disposing of it through pipes leading to a public sanitary sewer, provided that all garbage or combustible matter so disposed of in such pipes shall have been ground or shredded to such a degree that all particles are carried freely under the flow conditions normally prevailing in the sewers into which same is deposited.

(e) Disposal limitations. No garbage shall be burned, dumped, scattered or buried within the village limits, except upon written permit of the village manager as he may direct in conformity with recognized sanitary practices.

(f) Refrigerators. Refrigerators and similar equipment not in operation shall not be discarded, abandoned or stored on premises, even temporarily, without first removing the doors.