

TOWNSHIP NUISANCE ORDINANCE

Ordinance No. 05 - 03 of 2003

An Ordinance to protect the public health, safety and general welfare by eliminating blight; to define and prohibit blight; and to provide penalties for violations.

THE TOWNSHIPS OF: BEAR LAKE, BLUE LAKE, COLDSPRINGS, EXCELSIOR, KALKASKA, OLIVER, ORANGE, RAPID RIVER, AND SPRINGFIELD, HEREBY ORDAIN:

Section 1 - Definitions

As used in this Ordinance the following terms shall have the meanings prescribed in this section.

A. "Building materials" includes but is not limited to lumber, bricks, concrete or cinder blocks, plumbing or heating materials, electrical wiring or equipment, shingles, mortar, concrete or cement, nails, screws, or any other materials used in construction of any structure.

B. "Garbage" means rejected food wastes including waste accumulation of animal, fruit, or vegetable matter used or intended for food, or that attends the preparation, use, cooking, dealing in or storing of meat, fish, fowl, fruit or vegetables; discarded food containers, as well as any other household refuse.

Tree leaves, twigs, weeds, grass clippings, fruits, vegetables, and garden waste, in a properly maintained composting system, is not defined as garbage.

C. "Junk" is any manufactured goods, appliance, fixture, furniture, machinery, trailer, boat or personal property or any part of the preceding things, or any thing, whether of value or valueless, that is demolished, discarded, completely or partially dismantled, dilapidated, wrecked, scrapped, ruined, junked or so worn, deteriorated, or in such a condition as to be generally unusable or inoperable in its existing state.

D. "Junk motor vehicle" means a motor vehicle which is (a) damaged, (b) missing a major component part, (c) used as a storage shed or storage container and is damaged or missing a major component part or (4) is not capable of operation because of missing or broken parts and cannot be made operational by simple mechanical or electrical repairs or simple replacement of any part(s) in order to qualify for use under the Michigan Motor Vehicle Code, 1939 PA No. 300, as amended and includes wreckage, any parts(s) of a motor vehicle except the following: