

ORDINANCE
PROHIBITING ABANDONMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES ON
PUBLIC GROUNDS AND PRIVATE PROPERTY

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners for the County of Alamance has previously enacted an Ordinance Regulating Abandoned and Junked Motor Vehicles; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the enactment of said Ordinance, the General Statutes regarding such ordinances has been changed in such a way as to necessitate changes in said Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of public health and safety that the Board of Commissioners has determined to enact a new ordinance regulating the removal and disposal of abandoned and junked motor vehicles.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR THE COUNTY OF ALAMANCE DOTH ORDAIN:

1. The abandonment of motor vehicles on public grounds and private property are in the County's Ordinance making jurisdiction and on County-owned property wherever located is hereby determined to be unlawful and illegal. The violation of this Ordinance shall result in the removing and disposing of abandoned or junked motor vehicles in compliance with the procedures set forth in G.S. § 153A-132 and Article 7A, Chapter 20, of the North Carolina General Statutes.

2. The Alamance County Sheriff shall be responsible for enforcing this Ordinance and for arranging for the removal of abandoned motor vehicles and junked motor vehicles, as defined in G.S. § 153A-132, by such person or business who shall be responsible for collecting towing fees, and/or storage fees from the owner of the vehicle. Further, the Alamance County Sheriff and any person or business towing vehicles pursuant to this Ordinance shall in all manner and ways comply with Article 7A, Chapter 20, of the North Carolina General Statutes.

3. This Ordinance shall not apply to any vehicle in any enclosed building, to any vehicle on the premises of a business enterprise being operated in a lawful place and manner if the vehicle is necessary to the operation of the enterprise, or to any vehicle in an appropriate storage place or depository maintained in a lawful place and manner by the County.

4. Any person requesting the removal from private property of an abandoned or junked motor vehicle shall indemnify and hold harmless the County against any loss, expense, or liability incurred because of the vehicle's removal, storage, or sale.

5. The Abandoned and Junked Motor Vehicle Ordinance which became effective on February 1, 1974 is hereby repealed.

6. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect on and after its adoption.

This the 1st day of June, 1992.

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The foregoing ordinance was adopted by the Board of Commissioners for the County of Alamance during regular session on June 1, 1992. See Minute Book No. 29, Page 93.