

Chapter 39

TRAILER COACHES*

* **State Law References:** Mobile home commission act, MCL 125.2301 et seq.

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Sec. 39-1. Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this chapter, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Trailer coach means any vehicle used or so constructed as to permit its being used as a dwelling or sleeping place, which is or may be mounted on wheels, and is or may be propelled by its own power or by another vehicle to which it may be attached.

(Ord. No. 21, § 1, 8-26-1957)

Sec. 39-2. Prohibited parking and use.

(a) No person shall park or cause to be parked any trailer coach overnight on any street, alley, highway or other public place, provided, that in case of accident or other emergency the city manager or any police officer may permit such parking at such place and upon such conditions as are then specified by such manager or officer.

(b) No trailer coach shall at any time be parked between an established setback line and the curblin on any lot.

(c) No trailer coach shall be used or occupied unless there is a clear space of at least ten feet on all sides thereof.

(d) No person shall park or permit the parking of any trailer coach or use or occupy or permit the use or occupancy of any trailer coach on any site, lot, field, or tract of land not specifically licensed as a trailer coach park, except only as provided in this chapter.

(Ord. No. 21, § 2, 8-26-1957)

Sec. 39-3. Parking on dwelling premises.

Not more than one trailer coach may be parked, used and occupied on the premises of any dwelling in

said city, as hereinafter limited, provided, the occupants of the trailer coach shall have free and unlimited access to and the use of the sanitary facilities of such dwelling, and provided, that the owner or occupant of such trailer coach shall first obtain a permit as provided in this chapter.

(Ord. No. 21, § 3, 8-26-1957)

Sec. 39-4. Permits.

Application for a permit to park, use and occupy a trailer coach on the premises of a dwelling shall be made in writing to the city manager, and shall contain the name and address of the owner or occupant of the trailer coach and the license number thereof, and the number and relationship of the persons who will occupy the same. The consent in writing of the owner and of the occupant of the dwelling to such parking, use and occupancy and to such use of the sanitary facilities shall be endorsed upon such application or attached thereto. Upon the filing of such application the city manager shall cause an inspection to be made of such dwelling premises and of such trailer coach and if he finds such trailer coach to be of sound and proper construction as to render the same suitable for human occupancy and that there are adequate sanitary facilities on said premises, he shall approve such application. Upon such approval and upon payment of a fee, as currently established or as hereafter adopted by resolution of the city council from time to time, by the applicant, a permit for such parking, use and occupancy shall be issued and signed by the city manager, such permit to be for a period not in excess of 15 days. Not more than one permit shall be issued for any one trailer coach, or to any one person, in any one-year period, provided, that the council of the city may, by a majority vote thereof, extend such period as it, in its discretion, may deem proper. Every permit issued shall be displayed in a prominent place on said trailer coach.

(Ord. No. 21, § 4, 8-26-1957)

Sec. 39-5. Wastewater and materials.

No wastewater, waste materials, rubbish, refuse or garbage shall be spilled or allowed to accumulate on the premises occupied by any trailer coach for which a permit has been issued under this chapter.

(Ord. No. 21, § 5, 8-26-1957)

Sec. 39-6. Removal of wheels or tires; occupancy permit.

No person shall remove or cause to be removed the wheels or tires from any trailer coach for which a permit has been issued except for the purpose of repair, nor shall any person elevate, block or stabilize any trailer coach other than with jacks designed for that purpose. No parked trailer coach shall be occupied for sleeping purposes by a greater number of persons than the same is arranged to accommodate.

(Ord. No. 21, § 6, 8-26-1957)

Sec. 39-7. Inspections.

The city manager, the city health officer, and any member of the police force of said city shall have the authority to enter and inspect at any reasonable time any premises on which a trailer coach is parked, used or occupied. In the event that such premises shall not be kept in a clean and sanitary condition, free from conditions tending to cause a fire hazard or a public nuisance, then any permit issued under this chapter may be revoked by the city manager unless such conditions are rectified within 24 hours after written notice thereof to the occupant of the dwelling or of the trailer coach on such premises, which said notice may be served upon either of said occupants personally or by posting on either said dwelling or trailer coach.

(Ord. No. 21, § 7, 8-26-1957)

Sec. 39-8. Right to keep for storage one trailer coach.

Every owner or occupant of a dwelling house located in the city shall have the right to keep, for storage purposes only, one trailer coach, being his own property, on the premises so owned or occupied by him, provided that such trailer shall not in any manner be used for living or sleeping purposes, and provided that such owner shall first obtain from the city clerk a storage permit therefor, such permit to be affixed to and maintained on the outer side of the house trailer so placed for storage. Each storage permit so issued shall be valid for a period to be stated thereof, which shall not be in excess of one year and may be renewed for additional periods upon application to the city clerk. Any person who shall use, or permit to be used, any stored trailer coach for any purpose other than storage shall forfeit any permit received by him and in addition, shall be subject to the penalty for a violation of this chapter.

(Ord. No. 21A, 1-14-1963)