

TOWN OF SPRING PRAIRIE

CHAPTER XXII

DEPOSITING OF SNOW ON PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAYS

SECTION 22.00. Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to ensure that the traveled portion of any public right-of-way is not impeded by the depositing of snow from private property. This ordinance protects the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the Town of Spring Prairie.

SECTION 22.10. Authority. This ordinance is enacted pursuant to §82.03, Wis. Stats., which grants the Town the obligation for the care and supervision of all highways under the Town jurisdiction.

SECTION 22.20. Depositing of Snow or Ice on Public Right-of-Ways Prohibited. No person shall remove or cause to be removed any snow or ice from a premises owned or occupied by that person or from any residence, parking lot, parking area, business property or other property owned or occupied by that person placing snow on or across the traveled portion of any public right-of-way, including paths and walkways. Snow or ice removed from private property shall not be stored in any manner that will obstruct or limit vehicular or pedestrian vision, movement or access, or in any way make Town right-of-ways unsafe.

SECTION 22.30. Depositing Snow or Ice in Public Right-of-Ways Declared a Nuisance. No person shall deposit any snow or ice upon the traveled portion of any sidewalk, alley, road or street of the Town contrary to the provisions of this chapter. The depositing of snow or ice upon said Town right-of-way in an unsafe manner is hereby declared a nuisance. The Town shall be empowered to issue citations for this violation.

SECTION 22.40. Penalty. Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof, forfeit not less than \$50.00 for the first offense, \$150.00 for the second offense, and \$300.00 for a third offense, together with the costs of prosecution thereof, and default of payment of such forfeiture and costs, shall be imprisoned in the County Jail of Walworth County until such time as they are paid, not to exceed 30 days. Each such day in which a violation of this Chapter occurs shall be deemed a separate offense for purposes of this Section 21.40.

SECTION 22.50. Charge for Removal by the Town. In addition to the penalties provided for the violation of this Section, the Town may summarily remove any snow or ice so deposited, and assess the cost of removal to the owner of the property from which the snow or ice was removed. Upon failure of

the property owner to pay the cost, it may be charged as a special assessment of the tax bill of the property owner from which the snow or ice was removed.