

6.08 Truck Routes

(1) **PURPOSE AND INTENT.** The purpose and intent of this ordinance is to provide routes of access to areas of the Village which rely upon trucks (as defined herein) for the shipping and receiving of goods and materials. The regulation of the use of residential streets by trucks is intended to create safer, quieter, and cleaner residential areas and to reduce the cost of the maintenance of those streets not designed for sustained truck use.

(2) **DEFINITIONS.** For the purposes of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meaning given herein:

- (a) “Deviating Truck” is a truck which leaves and departs from a truck route while traveling inside the Village.
- (b) “Person” is any person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, company, or organization of any kind.
- (c) “Trucks” means all vehicles not operating completely on pneumatic tires, and all vehicles or combination of vehicles having a gross weight of more than 15,000 pounds.
- (d) “Truck Route” is a street designated herein over which trucks operating within the Village shall travel.

(3) **EXEMPTIONS.** All trucks within the Village must be operated only over and along the truck routes herein established and on other designated streets over which truck travel is permitted, with the following exceptions:

- (a) Emergency vehicles, as defined in s. 340.01(3) of the Wisconsin Statutes, may be operated on any street.
- (b) Motor buses used for public transportation may be operated on any street.
- (c) Trucks may operate over any street on which any official detour has been established, if truck traffic would have been permitted on the closed street.
- (d) Trucks owned or operated by the Village or by a public utility while such truck is traveling to or from the repair, maintenance or construction of a public utility facility.
- (e) The Chief of Police may designate any street or streets as a temporary truck route when required to provide access to a construction site within the Village on the conditions that such street or streets:

- 1. Are wide enough to safely carry truck traffic.
- 2. Will provide reasonable and direct ingress and egress to said construction site.

(4) **STREET DESIGNATED AS TRUCK ROUTES.** All trucks must proceed over an established truck route and shall deviate only at the intersection with the street nearest to the destination point. Upon leaving the destination point, a deviating truck must return to the truck route by the shortest possible route, unless the next point of delivery is nearer in total travel distance than the truck route. There must be no deviation on Moraine

Drive, Crestwood Drive, and Chicago Street without permission from the Chief of Police. The following streets shall be designated as truck routes: County Trunks A and J, Highway 67, and Maple Street.

(5) ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT.

(a) The Village Clerk shall keep and maintain accurate maps delineating the truck routes. Such maps shall be available to the public.

(b) The Village shall cause all truck routes to be clearly sign-posted to give notice that this ordinance is in effect.

(c) The Elkhart Lake Police Department shall have the authority to require any person driving, or in control of any truck not proceeding over a truck route, to give reasons for such, and/or to proceed to any public or private scale available for the purpose of weighing and determining compliance with this ordinance.

(6) PENALTIES. Any person who violates any provision of this section shall forfeit not more than \$200.00, together with costs of prosecution and may be ordered to pay restitution and complete community service.