

Ordinance 4

Vehicles, Equipment, & Parking

Speed Limit

The speed limit in the Village of Ardencroft is fifteen (15) miles per hour on all roads except Veale and Harvey Roads. The penalty for breach of this ordinance shall be a fine conforming to the Village's municipal fine structure.

Motor Vehicles

Motor Vehicles, with the exception of assisted mobility devices, are prohibited from Village paths and parklands of the Village of Ardencroft except by permission of the empowered committee. The penalty for breach of this ordinance shall be a fine conforming to the Village's municipal fine structure.

Vehicle Noise Abatement

Excessive noise in the use of motor vehicles in the Village of Ardencroft is prohibited. This includes improper muffling and the unnecessary screeching of tires. All other excessive motor type noises are restricted to the hours between sun-up and sun-down. The penalty for breach of this ordinance shall be a fine conforming to the Village's municipal fine structure.

Trucks And Heavy Equipment

No commercial vehicles or heavy equipment as described by County Code are permitted to park longer than twelve (12) hours period, without consent from an empowered committee in the Village of Ardencroft. The penalty for breach of this ordinance shall be a fine conforming to the Village's municipal fine structure.

Parking

Parking on the streets of the Village of Ardencroft by its residents is to be discouraged. Further, effective October 1, 1977, parking on the streets of the Village of Ardencroft by its residents on streets adjoining the resident's place of residence is prohibited. Exceptions to this ordinance can be made by the Safety Committee upon written request made by a resident. Decisions of the Safety Committee relative to this ordinance are appealable to the Village Assembly upon written request. The penalty for breach of this ordinance shall be a fine conforming to the Village's municipal fine structure. In addition, repeated violations of this ordinance may result in the towing of vehicle at owner's expense as decided by a majority (3) of the Safety Committee.

Provision of Parking Spaces for Persons with Disabilities

It shall be the duty of individuals and artificial entities that provide public parking to provide parking spaces for persons with disabilities. The number of spaces required shall be in accordance with the requirements of New Castle County and the State of Delaware.

It shall be the duty of individuals and artificial entities that provide public parking to erect and maintain signage on parking spaces for persons with disabilities. The signage shall be in accordance with the requirements of New Castle County and the State of Delaware.

An empowered committee of the Village of ArdenCROFT shall enforce the requirements of this ordinance. Enforcement shall consist of first writing a warning to the individual or entity that has failed to comply with all provisions of the ordinance. If, after thirty (30) days from the date of the warning, the individual or entity has still not complied, the empowered committee may apply for a warrant in the name of the individual or artificial entity.

The penalty for non-compliance with this ordinance is a fine conforming to the Village’s municipal fine structure per month until such time as the individual or artificial entity complies with the ordinance.

Empowered Committees/Officials

Separately from any ordinance, village policy empowers committees or relevant officials to perform functions associated with an ordinance. This meets the needs of ordinances, while avoiding the procedural hurdle of amending the ordinance for simple text changes if there is ever need for reassignment of responsibilities to a new party, or if a committee or title is formally changed.

For the ordinance above, the empowered committees/officials are:

Function	Empowered Party
Grants permission for motor vehicles on paths parklands	Public Works Committee
Gives consent for commercial vehicles or heavy equipment to park longer than twelve hours in Village	Safety Committee
Grants exceptions on street parking	Safety Committee
Decides on towing of illegally parked vehicles	Safety Committee
Enforces provision of parking spaces for persons with disabilities	Safety Committee
Enforces speed limit	Safety Committee
Enforces vehicle noise abatement	Safety Committee