Automobile, Junked

A motor vehicle that is:

A. Partially dismantled or wrecked; or

B. Cannot be self-propelled or moved in the manner in which it was originally intended to move; or

C. Does not display a current license plate.

Junk

Scrap copper, brass, rope, rags, batteries, paper, trash, rubber, debris, waste, or junked, dismantled, or wrecked automobiles, or parts thereof, iron, steel, or other scrap ferrous or nonferrous material and dismantled or used white goods or parts thereof.

Junkyard

An establishment or place of business, or portion of a property, which is maintained, operated, or used for storing, keeping, buying, or selling junk, or for maintenance or operation of an automobile graveyard. Any lot containing more than three (3) unregistered and non-functional vehicles shall constitute a junkyard for the purposes of this Ordinance.

Manufactured Home, Abandoned

An abandoned manufactured home or mobile classroom that is:

A. Not being occupied as a dwelling and does not provide complete, independent living facilities for one family, including permanent provisions for living, sleeping, eating, cooking, and sanitation or a manufactured home that has not received the proper permits to be located within the County’s jurisdiction; or

B. A structure which is a manufactured/mobile home which is a health or safety hazard as a result of the attraction of insects or rodents, conditions creating a fire hazard, dangerous condition constituting a threat to children, or frequent use by vagrants as living quarters in the absence of sanitary facilities; or

C. Any structure, which is manufactured/mobile home that was designed and intended for residential or other uses, which has been vacant or not in active use, regardless of purpose or reason, for the past two (2) year period, and has been deemed a nuisance due to public safety or public appearance by the Harnett County Planning Department or Harnett County Department of Public Health.

Abandoned Manufactured Homes

a. Unless otherwise provided, manufactured homes that are considered to be abandoned according to the definition for abandoned manufactured homes shall be prohibited in all zoning districts within Harnett County. Once a determination has been made by the Administrator or his authorized agent that a manufactured home is abandoned then the Administrator shall take action to abate the violation using any of the enforcement procedures in Article “Enforcement & Penalties” of this Ordinance.

b. Harnett County may require the removal of junked or abandoned manufactured homes from public grounds, including but not limited to public or private street right(s)-of-way or private property upon finding that such removal is necessary and desirable to promote or enhance community, neighborhood, or area appearance or to abate public health or safety nuisances.

Junk Motor Vehicles (on private property)

Unless otherwise provided, junked motor vehicles in the RA-40, RA-30, RA-20R, and RA-20M

Zoning Districts on private property not associated with a business, shall conform to the following requirements effective November 15, 2004.

A. General Requirements

1. The junked motor vehicles shall not be stored or located within 30 feet of any adjoining property line or side street or right-of-way and shall be situated so that no motor vehicle or parts are visible from the adjoining properties. In no case shall junked motor vehicles be located in the front yard of the primary building of the lot.

2. The junked motor vehicles shall not be a health or safety nuisance, nor shall the area constitute a health or safety nuisance according to the Harnett County Department of Public Health.

3. The junked motor vehicles shall be entirely concealed during all seasons of the year from public view from the public right-of-way and from the adjoining properties. The vehicles may be concealed by an automobile cover or tarpaulin, with the cover adequately secured to prevent removal by wind. The automobile cover or tarpaulin shall remain in good repair and not allowed to deteriorate.

4. In no case shall there be more than three (3) junked motor vehicles located outside any enclosed building unless otherwise specified by this Ordinance. In situations where a person owns multiple tracts of land that are located within 500 feet of each other, the owner of such land shall be limited to three (3) junked motor vehicles located outside any enclosed building unless otherwise specified by this Ordinance for all lots located within the distance requirement.

Storage, Recreational Vehicle & Travel Trailer

Trailers or vehicles may be parked or stored in rear or side yard of any lot; provided that no living quarters shall be maintained, nor any business conducted therein while such recreational vehicle or travel trailer is so parked or stored (not subject to lot size requirements) unless otherwise specified within this Ordinance.

Nonresidential Building, Temporary

Temporary buildings used for nonresidential purposes may be located in any zoning district, but only if they are temporary uses such as construction field offices, construction supplies, and equipment storage or temporary offices. Temporary land use & zoning permits and building permits for such uses shall be obtained from the appropriate administrative officials and shall be renewed every 180 days for a period not to exceed one (1) year. Manufactured homes shall not be converted into storage buildings.