

**ARTICLE IV****PARKING AND STORAGE ON OPEN PRIVATE LAND**

**25-4-1** Inoperable motor vehicles, whether on public or private property and in view of the general public, are hereby declared to be a nuisance.

**25-4-2** As used in this Article, "inoperable motor vehicle" means any motor vehicle from which, for a period of at least 7 days or any greater period fixed by ordinance, the engine, wheels or other parts have been removed, or on which the engine, is incapable of being driven under its own motor power. "Inoperable motor vehicle" shall also mean a motor vehicle which is not properly registered under the Illinois Vehicle Code for use on the highway; or if it is not covered by a liability insurance policy as required by the Illinois Vehicle Code. "Inoperable motor vehicle" shall not include a motor vehicle which has been rendered temporarily incapable of being driven under its own motor power in order to perform ordinary operations.

**25-4-3** **PARTS.** No person shall allow detached parts, apparatus, tools, material, fuel, containers or refuse to remain upon or be strewn upon private land.

**25-4-4** **SIDEYARD AND BACKYARD.** No person shall park or store any vehicle, boat or trailer on open private land in violation of the sideyard and backyard setback provisions of the City of Maroa Zoning Code.

**25-4-5** **CLEARANCE.** No person shall park or store any vehicle, boat, or trailer on open private land unless there is continuously kept not less than two (2) feet of clearance (from the bottom of the vehicle, boat or trailer, to the surface beneath) free of any vegetation so as to prevent an accumulation of wasting, rotting or noxious matter, and to prevent a nesting place for animals and insects.

**25-4-6** **CONDITION.** The owner or occupant of open private land upon which any vehicle, boat or trailer is parked or stored, shall keep such vehicle, boat or trailer clean in good repair and secure from casual entry.

**25-4-7** **NOTICE.** The police department or any other person so designated by the Mayor or City Council, may issue a written notice for abatement of the condition which is in violation of this Article IV, requiring the owner or occupant of the property to abate the condition within seven (7) days in such manner as the City of Maroa shall prescribe.

**25-4-8**        **ABATEMENT.** If the person so served does not abate the condition within seven (7) days, the City of Maroa Police Department may proceed to abate such condition, keeping an account of the expense of the abatement and such an expense shall be charged and paid by such owner or occupant

**25-4-9**        **PENALTY.** Whoever violates or fails to comply with any of the provisions of Article IV after seven (7) days of receiving the notice of abatement, shall be subject to a maximum fine of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) and shall be liable for the costs of abating the condition. A separate offense or violation shall be deemed committed each day during or on which a condition prohibited by such Article IV is allowed to continue.

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