

**AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE SECTION 102-64 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES  
FOR THE VILLAGE OF UNION GROVE PERTAINING  
TO TOWING VEHICLES DURING WINTER STORM EMERGENCIES**

The Village Board of the Village of Union Grove, Racine County, Wisconsin, ordains as follows:

1. That Section 102-64 of the Code of Ordinances for the Village of Union Grove be, and hereby is, created to read as follows:

**“Sec. 102-64. Towing of Vehicles During Winter Storm Emergencies.**

- (a) Whenever snow falls during any 24 hour period to a depth of three (3) inches or more, or freezing rain or snow conditions result in an accumulation of 1/8 inch of ice or more on Village rights-of-way, such winter storm is deemed to constitute a serious public hazard impairing public transportation and public safety and a winter storm emergency declaration may be issued by the Village President, Village Administrator, or the Village’s Director of Public Works.
- (b) A winter storm emergency will remain in effect for forty-eight (48) hours from the time it is declared, or until such time as snowplowing or salting operations have been declared completed by the Village President, Village Administrator, or the Village’s Director of Public Works.
- (c) Whenever a winter storm emergency is declared, the Village shall issue an announcement of such fact to not less than two (2) radio or television broadcast stations whose normal operating range includes the Village. The Village may also cause the winter storm emergency to be announced and described on the Village’s website.
- (d) When a winter storm emergency has been declared, no person may park, stop, or leave standing any vehicle upon any public street, highway, or alley within the Village for the duration of the snow emergency, except for vehicles loading or unloading passengers or property for a period not to exceed 15 minutes and provided that no other parking restriction is violated thereby. This paragraph shall not apply to physicians on emergency calls.
- (e) Any vehicle parked on any public right-of-way during a winter storm emergency may be towed by or at the direction of any law enforcement officer, or by or at the direction of any snow plow operator who has been directed by a law enforcement officer to tow any vehicles that impede plowing or deicing. A towed vehicle’s owner shall be responsible for the costs of towing and storing such vehicle. Additionally or in lieu of towing, the vehicle’s owner may be cited under this section, with all towing and storage costs, if any, added to the forfeiture otherwise applicable under 102-2. Nothing herein shall be construed as limiting any authority a law enforcement officer otherwise has to tow illegally parked vehicles during times other than winter snow emergencies.”

2. That, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 349.13(1e)(c)(2), the Village Board further resolves, by a majority vote of not less than 2/3rds of its membership, that official signs meeting the statutory requirements applicable to Uniform Traffic Control Devices shall be erected at or reasonably near the corporate limits of the Village on all state and county trunk highway and connecting highways informing motorists of the existence of the above snow emergency parking regulations.
3. That this ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and publication as provided by law.

Adopted this 24<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2008.

VILLAGE OF UNION GROVE

By: \_\_\_\_\_ /s/  
Michael Aimone  
Village President

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_ /s/  
Janice Winget,  
Village Clerk/Treasurer

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