

TOWN OF KNOWLTON
ORDINANCE RELATING TO ISSUANCE OF CITATIONS
FOR VIOLATIONS OF TOWN ORDINANCE NO. 26

The Town Board of Supervisors of the Town of Knowlton, Marathon County, does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1 - STATUTORY AUTHORITY

Pursuant to Section 66.119 of Wisconsin Statutes, the Town Board hereby elects to use the citation method of enforcement of town ordinances described herein, or in a separate ordinance, including those for which a statutory counterpart exists.

SECTION 2 – FORM OF CITATION

The citation shall contain the following:

- a) The name and address of the alleged violator;
- b) The factual allegations describing the alleged violation;
- c) The time and place of the offense;
- d) The section of the ordinance violated;
- e) A designation of the offense in such manner as can readily be understood by a person making a reasonable effort to do so;
- f) The time at which the alleged violator may appear in court;
- g) A statement which in essence informs the alleged violator:
 1. That a cash deposit based on the schedule established by this or other town ordinance may be made which shall be delivered or mailed to the Clerk of Knowlton prior to the time of the scheduled court appearance.
 2. That if a deposit is made, no appearance in court is necessary unless the defendant is subsequently summoned.
 3. That if a cash deposit is made and the alleged violator does not appear in court, he will be deemed to have entered a plea of no contest, and submitted to a forfeiture with applicable penalty assessment, or if the court does not accept the plea of no contest, a summons will be issued commanding him to appear in court to answer the complaint.
 4. That if no cash deposit is made and the alleged violator does not appear in court at the time specified, the court may issue a summons or warrant for the defendant's arrest or consider the non-appearance to be a plea of no contest and enter judgment, or an action may be commenced to collect the forfeiture.
- h) A direction that if the alleged violator elects to make a cash deposit, the statement which accompanies the citation shall be signed to indicate that the statement required under "g" above has been read. Such statement shall be sent or brought with the cash deposit;
- i) A statement that if the court finds that the violation involves an offense that prohibits conduct prohibited by state statute punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, and that the violation resulted in property damage or physical injury to a

person other than the alleged violator, the court may summon the defendant into court to determine if restitution shall be ordered under Section 800.093 (municipal court).

j) Such other information as the town deems necessary.

SECTION 3 – SCHEDULE OF DEPOSITS

The following schedule of cash deposits is established for use with citations issued under this ordinance.

<u>ORDINANCE TITLE</u>	<u>OFFENSE</u>	<u>DEPOSITS & COSTS</u>
Zoning Ordinance No. 8	Failure to obtain building permit as required	Various + current court costs
	All other zoning ordinance violations	Various + current court costs
Mobile Home Ordinance No. 10	Violation	\$25 + current court costs
Ordinance Prohibiting Dumping Rubbish No. 24	Violation	\$20 + current court costs
Dwelling Code Ordinance No. 16	Violation	\$25 + current court costs
Junk Vehicle Ordinance No. 23	Violation	\$20 + current court costs
Park Curfew Ordinance No. 17	Violation	\$10 + current court costs
Dog Control Ordinance No. 11	Violation	\$10 + current court costs
Recycling Ordinance No. 25	Violation	\$25 + current court costs

Deposits shall be made in cash, money order or certified check to the Clerk of Knowlton who shall provide a receipt therefore.

SECTION 4 – ISSUANCE OF CITATION

The following officials may issue citations with respect to those specified ordinances which are directly related to their official responsibilities.

<u>ORDINANCE TITLE</u>	<u>ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL</u>
Zoning Ordinance	Building Inspector
Mobile Home Ordinance	Town Board
Rubbish Ordinance	Town Board
Junk Vehicle Ordinance	Town Board
Dwelling Code Ordinance	Building Inspector
Recycling Ordinance	Town Board
Park Curfew Ordinance	Town Board
Dog Control Ordinance	Constable

SECTION 5 – PROCEDURE

Section 66.119(3) Wisconsin Statutes relating to violator’s options and procedures on default is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference.

SECTION 6 – NONEXCLUSIVITY

A. OTHER ORDINANCE

Adoption of this ordinance does not preclude the Town Board from adopting any other ordinance or providing for the enforcement of any other law or ordinance relating to the same or other matter.

B. OTHER REMEDIES

The issuance of a citation hereunder shall not preclude the Town Board or any authorized office from proceedings under any other ordinance or law or by any other enforcement method to enforce any ordinance, regulation or order.

SECTION 7 – SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this ordinance is invalid or unconstitutional, or if the application of this ordinance to any person or circumstances is invalid or unconstitutional, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the provisions or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid or unconstitutional provision or application.

SECTION 8 – EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication on posting as provided by law.

The foregoing ordinance was adopted at a regular meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Knowlton on January 24, 1994.