

**BOROUGH OF PATTERSON HEIGHTS
ORDINANCE NO. 247**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF PATTERSON HEIGHTS,
BEAVER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA PROHIBITING THE PARKING ON
ANY STREET IN PATTERSON HEIGHTS BOROUGH OF CERTAIN LARGE
VEHICLES, CONTAINING DEFINITIONS, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR
VIOLATIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE, REPEALING INCONSISTENT
ORDINANCES OR PORTIONS THEREOF, PROVIDING FOR PARTIAL
INVALIDITY AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Borough Council of Patterson Heights, Beaver County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by authority of the same as follows:

1. LEGISLATIVE INTENT

A. The Borough Council of Patterson Heights has determined that hazardous and unsafe traffic conditions within the Municipal Limits of the Borough exist because large vehicles are often parked on streets in the Borough. These hazardous and unsafe traffic conditions are detrimental to the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Borough of Patterson Heights and others, impede emergency vehicles (including fire trucks, ambulances, etc.) and interfere with the peaceful and quiet enjoyment of the residents of Patterson Heights Borough in their homes and neighborhoods. The Borough Council had determined that the adoption of this Ordinance is necessary to remediate the foregoing.

2. DEFINITIONS

The following words and phrases used in this Ordinance shall have the meanings given to them in this Section, unless the context of the Ordinance clearly indicates otherwise:

A. LARGE VEHICLES:

1. The following, as defined by 75 Pa.C.S.A. §102: Articulated Bus, Combination, Construction Truck Driveaway-towaway Operation, Farm Equipment, Full Trailer, House Trailer, Limousine (capable of carrying ten or more passengers), Maxicube Vehicle, Mobile Home, Motor Home, Bus, Recreational Trailer, Semitrailer, Stinger-steered Automobile

or Boat Transporter, Tow Dolly, Trailer, Truck-camper, Truck Tractor.

2. Truck, van or other vehicle having a load capacity greater than 1,500 pounds.
3. Boats, Snowmobiles, All-terrain Vehicles and similar off-road vehicles, Pickup Campers, Boat Trailers, Tent Trailers and cases or boxes used for transporting recreational equipment (whether containing that equipment or not).

B. PARK OR PARKING:

The halting of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, except temporarily for the purpose of - and *while actually engaged in* - loading or unloading property or passengers.

C. STREET:

Any street, road, lane, court, cul-de-sac, alley, path, public way and public square within the Municipal Limits of Patterson Heights Borough.

3. PARKING OF LARGE VEHICLES PROHIBITED

A. No person shall park, cause to be parked or permit to be parked any large motor vehicle on any street within the Municipal Limits of Patterson Heights Borough.

4. EXCEPTIONS

A. This Ordinance shall not apply to Emergency Vehicles as defined by 75 Pa.C.S.A. §102.

5. PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION

A. Unless another penalty is expressly provided by the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code, any person or registered owner of any vehicle which violates this Ordinance shall, upon conviction, be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00), plus costs of prosecution.

6. **SEVERABILITY**

A. If any Section or provision of this Ordinance is declared by any Court of Competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of this Ordinance as a whole, nor the validity or constitutionality of any other Section or provision of this Ordinance other than the ones so declared to be invalid.

7. **REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES**

A. All existing Ordinances of Patterson Heights Borough, or parts thereof, inconsistent with this Ordinance, or any part hereof, are hereby repealed.

8. **EFFECTIVE DATE**

A. This Ordinance shall be effective upon passage and approval by the Patterson Heights Borough Council.

ORDAINED and ENACTED by the Council of Patterson Heights Borough at a Public Meeting held this 4th day of August, 2008.

ATTEST:


Borough Manager SECRETARY

By: Donna C. Ceriani
VICE President of Borough Council

EXAMINED AND APPROVED this 4th day of August, 2008.

By: 
Mayor