

VILLAGE OF SWANSEA, ILLINOIS

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ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF THE TRUSTEES
OF THE
VILLAGE OF SWANSEA

THIS 16th DAY OF JUNE, 2025.

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WHEREAS, the Village of Swansea is committed to ensuring the health, safety, and welfare of its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Village desires to clarify and strengthen regulations concerning the parking and storage of various vehicles and trailers within residentially zoned areas to maintain neighborhood aesthetics, prevent safety hazards, and ensure compliance with zoning standards; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Swansea finds it necessary and in the public interest to define and regulate the parking and storage of vehicles, recreational vehicles, commercial vehicles, and utility trailers within the Village to maintain orderly development, ensure public safety, and protect neighborhood character; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that amending both section 154.018 and section 154.059 is necessary and appropriate to achieve these goals;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF SWANSEA, ILLINOIS:

SECTION 1: DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this Ordinance, section 154.018 of the Swansea Village Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by adding the following definitions:

Hazardous Material: Any substance or material that, due to its chemical, physical, biological, or radiological properties, is capable of posing an unreasonable risk to the health, safety, or welfare of the public or the environment. Hazardous materials include, but are not limited to, those substances classified as hazardous by federal, state, or local statutes, codes, or regulatory agencies.

Utility Trailer: A non-motorized vehicle designed primarily for the transport of goods, materials, or equipment, typically towed behind a motorized vehicle, and used for personal, commercial, or industrial purposes.

Commercial Vehicle: A motor vehicle used primarily for the transportation of goods, materials, or passengers for compensation, or in the furtherance of a business or commercial activity. This includes trucks, vans, buses, and vehicles equipped with business-related equipment or signage.

Proper Vehicle Cover: A cover manufactured and sold specifically for the protection of motor vehicles, made of weather-resistant, breathable material, contoured to the vehicle, and equipped with fastening mechanisms.

Tarp or Improvised Covering: Any plastic sheeting, canvas, or material not specifically designed for vehicle use, including loose or makeshift coverings.

Vehicle: Any self-propelled, motorized device designed for and capable of transporting persons or property and intended for use on public streets, highways, or roadways, including automobiles, trucks, vans, motorcycles, and buses.

SECTION 2: AMENDMENT TO SECTION 154.059 – VEHICLE, TRAILER, AND VEHICLE COVERING REQUIREMENTS

154.059 (C) – Recreational Vehicles

1. No more than two (2) recreational vehicles shall be parked on any lot in any zoning district, except for businesses permitted to sell such vehicles.
2. Recreational vehicles shall not be used as dwellings, offices, or for any commercial purposes.
3. Recreational vehicles must be parked on an improved surface as defined in §150.136(I)(2).
4. Recreational vehicles shall not be parked in the front yard as defined in §154.018.

154.059 (P) – Commercial Vehicles

1. No commercial vehicle used for hauling explosives, gasoline, liquefied petroleum, or hazardous materials as defined in § 154.018 shall be parked in a residential area for longer than one (1) hour except when actively providing service to a residence.
2. No commercial vehicle shall be parked on any lot zoned single-family, multi-family, or mobile home, or on the street abutting such lot, except:

A. One (1) commercial vehicle not exceeding 1-ton capacity used by the resident, parked in a garage, carport, or driveway.

B. Commercial vehicles temporarily parked to provide services at the premises.

154.059 (Q) – PARKING OR STORAGE OF VEHICLES

1. A maximum of three (3) vehicles, including commercial vehicles, may be parked in unenclosed areas on residentially zoned lots. If more than three licensed drivers permanently reside at the premises, one vehicle per licensed driver is permitted.
2. No vehicle may be parked or stored in any required yard area.
3. This provision does not restrict parking by visitors.

154.059 (R) – Utility Trailers

1. No more than one (1) utility trailer shall be parked on any residentially zoned lot at any one time.
2. No commercial equipment stored on a utility trailer shall be visible from any public street or right-of-way.
3. No utility trailer shall be parked in front of a residence, except during active loading or unloading. Trailers may be stored only in side or rear yards on an improved surface per § 150.136(I)(2).
4. No utility trailer shall be parked in a public street overnight or except for loading/unloading.

154.059 (S) – Vehicle Covering Requirements

1. Inoperable or dilapidated vehicles stored on private property in residential zones may only be covered using a Proper Vehicle Cover.
2. Covers must be maintained in good condition, free of tears, fading, or loose fit. Covers that flap in the wind or deteriorate shall be deemed in violation.
3. Use of tarps, plastic sheeting, or other improvised materials is prohibited in all zoning districts. Loose or nuisance-causing coverings are not permitted.

SECTION 3: SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions or applications of the Ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application.

SECTION 4: EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication in pamphlet form, as provided by law.

Passed this 16th day of JUNE, 2025 by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Swansea, St. Clair County, Illinois

Gloria Collier By: Stephanie Proffitt
Gloria Collier, VILLAGE CLERK Deputy Clerk

THOUVENOT all LEWIS V all LANTER all
JABLONSKI all MCGUIRE all POCHEK all

Approved by the President of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Swansea, St. Clair County, Illinois, this 16th day of June 2025.

Jeff Parker
JEFF PARKER, PRESIDENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Gloria Collier By: Stephanie Proffitt
GLORIA COLLIER, VILLAGE CLERK Deputy Clerk



STATE OF ILLINOIS}

COUNTY OF ST. CLAIR}

CERTIFICATION

I, Gloria Collier, do hereby certify that I am the duly appointed Clerk in and for the Village of Swansea, Illinois.

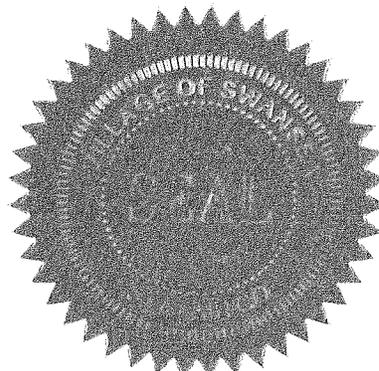
I further certify that on June 16th, 2025 the Corporate Authorities of the Village of Swansea passed and approved Ordinance No. 1990 entitled:

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The pamphlet form of Ordinance No. 1990, including the Ordinance and a cover sheet thereof was prepared and a copy of such Ordinance was posted in the municipal building, commencing on June 25th, 2025 and continuing for at least ten days thereafter. Copies of such Ordinance were also available for public inspection upon request in the office of the municipal clerk.

DATED at SWANSEA, Illinois, this 25th day of June, 2025.

Gloria Collier By: Stephanie R. Smith
GLORIA COLLIER, VILLAGE CLERK Deputy Clerk
Village of Swansea, Illinois



STATE OF ILLINOIS }
COUNTY OF ST. CLAIR }

AFFIDAVIT

I, Stefanie Proffitt, an employee of the Village of Swansea, St. Clair County, Illinois, do solemnly affirm that:

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was posted at the Swansea Government Center, 1444 Boul Avenue, Swansea, Illinois, commencing on

June 25th, 2025, at 3:00 o'clock PM.

Stefanie Proffitt
Written Signature

Subscribed and sworn before me on this 25th day of June 2025.

Amy Neutzling
Notary Public

(Notary Seal)

