

MANITOWOC COUNTY CODE

6.15 Airport Safety and Security.

(1) Definitions. In this section, the following words have the meaning given in this subsection:

(a) “Pedestrian.” Any person afoot.

(b) “Vehicle.” Every device in, upon, or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn excepting aircraft.

(c) “Emergency Equipment.” Crash, fire, and rescue, or police motor vehicles, and such other equipment as the airport manager may designate as necessary to safeguard airport runways, taxiways, ramps, buildings, and other property.

(d) “Service, Maintenance, and Construction Equipment.” Approved equipment normally operated by the fixed base operator and/or the Federal Aviation Administration on landing areas, runways, taxiways, and peripheral roads for the servicing, maintenance, and construction of airport facilities and services or for the servicing of aircraft. This definition shall include equipment owned and operated by a contractor performing work on the airport under a contractual agreement with Manitowoc County.

(e) “Airport Manager” means the airport manager or a person designated by the airport manager to act on his or her behalf.

(f) “Parking” means stopping or leaving a vehicle standing in any place except temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading or in receiving or discharging passengers and while the vehicle is attended by a licensed operator so that it may promptly be moved in case of an emergency or to avoid obstruction of traffic.

(g) Long term parking is defined as parking a vehicle for a period of more than three days.

(2) Operation of Vehicles on Runways, Taxiways, and Ramps.

(a) No vehicle shall enter, be driven upon, or operated upon any airport runway, taxiway, ramp, tie-down area, or any area posted by signs prohibiting the entrance thereon. No operator of a vehicle shall disobey the instructions of any sign posted to regulate parking or vehicular traffic on or about the Manitowoc County Airport unless otherwise directed by the airport manager or a law enforcement officer.

(b) The provisions of this section shall not apply to emergency equipment or service, maintenance, and construction equipment when engaged in performing

normal duties.

(c) The Airport Manager may authorize aircraft and hangar owners to operate a vehicle within the fenced boundary of the airport to reach their aircraft or hangars. Aircraft owners desiring to operate a vehicle for this purpose shall secure authorization in advance and may operate a vehicle only in accordance with the authorization provided. Aircraft and hangar owners shall access the airport from Freedom Way and shall proceed from Freedom Way to their aircraft or hangars following the route authorized by the Airport Manager. All such vehicles shall be operated at a speed of ten (10) miles per hour or less and no vehicle may pass over any runway, taxiway, or ramp except as authorized by the Airport Manager.

(d) The Airport Manager may authorize appropriate county, FAA, FBO, law enforcement, and fire department personnel to operate vehicles within the fenced boundary of the airport. All such vehicles shall be operated in accordance with the authorization provided by the Airport Manager.

(e) No person may operate any vehicle or travel on the on ramp between north and south hangar areas unless expressly authorized to do so by the Airport Manager.

(3) Speed of Vehicles. No vehicle shall be driven on any road within the perimeter of the airport or upon any other airport area in excess of any specified or posted speed limit or, in the absence of a specified or posted speed limit, at an imprudent, unreasonable, or unsafe speed.

(4) Pedestrian Traffic on Airport. No pedestrian shall be allowed beyond the administration area or upon the apron or aircraft tie-down area unless for the purpose of embarking in or disembarking from an aircraft, or unless authorized by the Airport Manager. Pedestrian traffic is prohibited on taxiway, runways, and outlying areas of the airport except for those employees of the City, County, State, Federal Government, or contractors engaged in airport construction or maintenance or service work.

(5) [Parking].

(a) Vehicle Parking. All vehicles parked on the airport shall be parked in areas designated by the Airport Manager and in accordance with posted signs or other markings. No vehicle may be parked at any time in any area used for the movement of aircraft unless expressly authorized by the Airport Manager. Such authorization shall not be granted contrary to the provisions of Federal Aviation Regulations Part 107 or Part 139.

(b) North and South Parking Zones. The airport shall be divided into a North Parking Zone, which includes the green T hangar and all hangars located north of the green T hangar, and a South Parking Zone, which includes all hangars located south of the green T hangar and excludes the green T hangar. No one other than a hangar owner may park in the North and South Parking Zones unless authorized to

do so by the Airport Manager.

(c) North Parking Zone. Hangar owners in the North Parking Zone may park their vehicles behind or inside their hangars. Hangar owners in the North Parking Zone may park between hangars only with the consent of the adjoining hangar owner. No one may park on the black top or grass in front of any hangar in the North Parking Zone.

(d) South Parking Zone. Hangar owners in the South Parking Zone may park their vehicles in back of and inside their hangars. Hangar owners may also park within ten (10) feet of the front of their hangar, except that all parking is prohibited on the ramp in front of hangars in the South Parking Zone during any period when snow removal is needed or is taking place.

(e) Long Term Parking. Long term parking at the terminal building or fixed base operator parking lots shall be reported in advance to the Airport Manager or the fixed base operator. Long term parking of vehicles outside of any hangar must be reported in advance to the Airport Manager.

(f) Removal of Parked Vehicles. The Airport Manager may move, remove, or cause any improperly parked vehicle to be moved or removed and the cost of moving or removing any such vehicle shall be paid by the owner, operator, or person who claims the vehicle.

(5m) Outside Storage Prohibited. No person may store any vehicle, equipment, or other property outside a hangar without advance authorization from the Airport Manager.

(6) Fueling Standards at the Manitowoc County Airport. In order to promote development and use of the Manitowoc County Airport in a manner which is consistent with public safety and environmental protection, the Manitowoc County Board has adopted the following standards of fuel tanks at the Manitowoc County Airport.

(a) Fuel Farm Area. The Highway Committee shall designate an area on the Manitowoc County Airport master plan which shall be developed as the fuel farm. The fuel farm may be located near or next to the tanks used by the fixed base operator.

(b) Fuel tanks allowed.

1. Any person or corporation meeting the standards of this ordinance shall be allowed to establish a fuel tank upon issuance of a permit by the Highway Department.

2. Any fuel tank which is in use prior to the effective date of this ordinance may continue to be used until the earlier of:

a. The date it is removed from service by its owner due to failure or age, or

b. Ten years from the effective date [February 28, 2000] of this ordinance.

3. Minimum standards. No person or corporation shall be issued a permit for installation and maintenance of a fuel tank unless they meet the following standards:

a. Financial responsibility. The tank owner shall meet the financial responsibility standards imposed by Wis. Admin. Code Ch. Comm. 10 and other applicable regulations.

b. Written agreement. The tank owner shall enter into a written agreement with Manitowoc County in which the owner promises to strictly comply with all of the conditions of this ordinance.

c. Tanks.

i. The minimum tank size allowed shall be 10,000 gallons.

ii. Tanks must meet the requirements of the United States Department of Transportation, Environmental Protection Agency, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and Department of Industry, Labor, and Human Relations, including but not limited to Wis. Admin. Code Ch. Comm. 10 for construction and leak control.

iii. Above-ground tanks shall not be permitted in the fuel farm.

iv. Placement and operation of tanks shall meet all federal, state, and local standards, including AC 150/5230/4, the Aircraft Fuel Storage, Handling, and Dispensing on Airports advisory circular.

v. Prior to approval of an application for a fuel tank permit, the proposed fuel tank owner shall submit a written plan showing the tank's proposed location, fuel grades to be stored, estimated annual volume, experience and training of fueling personnel, provisions for security, and safety and the method of transporting fuel from the tank to the aircraft.

d. Use of tanks. Tanks shall be used exclusively for fueling aircraft owned by the tank owner or leased for the exclusive use of the tank owner. No tank owner may sell, share, or in any manner provide fuel to any aircraft not owned by the tank owner.

e. Fueling. Tank owners shall fuel their aircraft in an area designated as the “fueling area” by the Highway Department.

f. Flowage Fee and Taxes. The highway committee may establish a per gallon fuel flowage fee, subject to approval by county board resolution, that must be paid on or before the 10th day following the last day of any month in which fuel is dispensed. A tank owner is responsible for the timely payment of the fuel flowage fee and any taxes due on fuel dispensed from the tank. The tank and its contents are security for any flowage fees and taxes due.

4. After the effective date of this ordinance, no person may install, establish, or bring onto the airport grounds any fuel tank (including gas cans or jerry cans of any size whatsoever) unless the tank is permitted under subsection (a) of this subsection. No person may fuel an aircraft except from a fuel tank which is approved under this Section.

5. Any person who violates the prohibitions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a class C forfeiture under the provisions of this Code. Violations of the standards of this ordinance shall constitute a threat to the public health and safety and may be enjoined by the Manitowoc County Circuit Court.

(7) Enforcement. It shall be the duty of the Sheriff of the County of Manitowoc to enforce the provisions of this Ordinance.

(8) Penalty. Any person who violates any provision of this ordinance shall upon conviction thereof forfeit not less than \$10.00 nor more than \$200.00 for each offense, together with the costs of prosecution. A separate violation shall be deemed committed on each day during which a violation occurs or continues. Any person who is in default in the payment of forfeitures or costs imposed hereunder, unless found indigent by the court, shall be imprisoned in the Manitowoc County Jail for up to 30 days for each offense or until payment has been made.