

Junk Motor Vehicle Abatement Procedure

The Elizabeth Township Zoning Commission approved the language and intent of this Resolution on September 22, 2008 and recommended its approval to the Township Trustees. The Trustees approved Resolution 2008-012 on October 1, 2008.

When a Junk Motor Vehicle is discovered, the Elizabeth Township Zoning Inspector will initiate the following procedure:

1. The Zoning Inspector will visit the site and photograph the vehicle to Document for evidence.
2. A letter will be sent to the property owner stating the violation and requesting a meeting to discuss the vehicle(s) in question. The property owner is given 10 days to respond or the removal letter will be sent.
3. A letter will be sent to the property owner stating Elizabeth Township Zoning Resolution 519 is violated and the vehicle (s) must be removed within 14 days.
4. The Zoning Inspector will re-visit the property after the 14 days for compliance.
5. If the vehicle was not removed, then a Resolution will be drafted by the Zoning Inspector and presented to the Elizabeth Township Trustees at the next regular meeting.
6. When approved, the Resolution will be sent to the property owner by Certified Mail Return Receipt Requested stating the Elizabeth Township Resolution Violated (Section 519) and its intention to remove or cause the removal of the vehicle stating that the Junk Motor Vehicle must be removed within fourteen (14) days.
7. If the Junk Motor Vehicle is not removed, a Towing Service will be contacted by Elizabeth Township, to tow the vehicle(s). The Towing Service will have a Deputy present when the vehicle(s) is towed.
8. The owner will pay total expenses for the removal and storage. If not paid, then Elizabeth Township will abate the property and place the expenses upon the tax duplicate to be collected as other taxes.