

## MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Montgomery County Code 1972 is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Section 31-34. Impounding vehicles after enumerated violations, generally.

(1) Members of the department of police or any authorized designee of the county executive are hereby authorized to remove a parked or unattended vehicle or trailer from a street, highway, public way, county property or privately owned public parking lot to the nearest police substation, garage or other place of safety designated by the department of police or county executive if said vehicle or trailer has been involved in or the subject of three or more outstanding, past due violations of this Chapter, or is so parked illegally as to constitute a definite hazard or obstruction to the normal movement of traffic.

(2) Whenever a vehicle or trailer is removed from a street, highway, public way, county property or privately owned public parking lot as authorized in this Chapter and the officer or agent knows or is able to ascertain from the registration records in the vehicle or trailer or the records of the State Motor Vehicle Administration the name and address of the owner thereof, such officer or agent shall immediately give or cause to be given notice in writing to such owner of the fact of such removal and the reasons therefor, the place to which such vehicle or trailer has been removed and the method by which release can be secured. A copy of said notice shall be sent to the department of finance and to the officer or proprietor in charge of the place where said vehicle is being held.

(3) All outstanding penalties and/or fines assessed pursuant to violations of this Chapter shall be charged to the owner of the vehicle or trailer in addition to towing, storage, and impounding charges, and shall be paid to the county before the owner may reclaim the vehicle or trailer.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on the 76th day following the date on which it becomes law.

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