

TOWN OF CAROLINE

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TOWN OF CAROLINE JUNK POLICY

The town board on June 8, 1995 endorsed the following policy for dealing with "junk" within the Town of Caroline.

The town board recognizes that the County and State already have regulations for junk. The town board will support those regulations by not passing competing regulations and providing the necessary licensing procedures for operating junk yards within the frame work of those regulations and provide education of this policy and those regulations to its residents.

The Tompkins County Health Department enforces the Tompkins County Sanitary Code which governs the storage, accumulation and disposal of garbage (i.e. animal and vegetable wastes from the preparation and processing of food) and refuse(including but not limited to the wastes of: paper and paper products, rags, tree and lawn and gardening debris, furniture, cans, crockery, chemicals, paint, petroleum products, wood, demolition materials, tires, automobiles and other vehicles).

To report a violation of this regulation or further clarification of its scope and intent, contact the Environmental Health Department at 274-6688.

The Tompkins County Sheriff in conjunction with the Tompkins County Solid Waste Division enforces the Regulation of the Disposal of Solid Waste. This law governs the disposal (i.e. abandonment, discharge, deposit, dumping, or placing) of any solid waste into or on any land or water (including private property) that may enter the environment. Solid waste is defined as any putrescible or non-putrescible materials that are discarded or rejected as being spent, worthless, useless or in excess to the owners at the time of discard, including but not limited to garbage, refuse, commercial and industrial waste, rubbish, tires, ashes, construction and demolition debris, discarded automobiles and offal.

To report a violation of this regulation or further clarification of its scope and intent, contact the Solid Waste Division at 273-6632.

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NYS Municipal Law section 136 regulates automobile junk yards. This law states that any property having two or more "vehicles no longer intended for or in condition for legal use on the highway" are required to be a licensed junk yard. The Town of Caroline has established a license application and procedure for obtaining such a license. One may contact the Caroline Town Clerk for the application form and licensing procedure for licensing your junk yard or a copy of this section of the NYS Municipal Law. Any property, that is not a licensed junk yard, having two or more vehicles fitting this description are in violation of this state law.

To report a violation of this regulation contact the Tompkins County Sheriff at 272-2444.