

**TOWN OF GIBRALTAR
ORDINANCE 2022-29
OBSTRUCTING STREETS AND SIDEWALKS PROHIBITED**

Ordinance 2022-29 Identified in the code of ordinances as 10.05 shall repeal and replace any previous ordinance(s) in whole or part, or any other ordinances contradicting to this new ordinance.

The Town Board of Gibraltar, in the County of Door, State of Wisconsin, does hereby ordain as follows:

Purpose

To allow safe and uninterrupted passage on sidewalks and streets.

State Statutes Adopted – Authority

The Board of Supervisors of the Town of Gibraltar is granted authority for adopting this ordinance under its general 60.10(2)(c) and 60.22(3), Wisconsin Statutes. The Town Board Adopts this Ordinance under its general village powers authority and 66.1014 of the Wisconsin Statutes, 2917 Act 59.

General Provisions

- (a) Prohibited. No person shall encroach upon or in any way obstruct or encumber any street, alley, sidewalk, public grounds or land dedicated to public use, or any part thereof, or permit such encroachment or encumbrance to be placed or remain on any public way adjoining the premises of which he is the owner or occupant, except as provided in subsection (b) of this section.
- (b) Exceptions. The prohibition of subsection (a) of this section shall not apply to the following:
 - (1) Signs or clocks attached to buildings which project not more than six feet from the face of such building and which do not extend below any point 12 feet above the sidewalk, street or alley.
 - (2) Awnings which do not extend below any point seven feet above the sidewalk, street or alley.
 - (3) Public utility encroachments duly authorized by state law or the Town board.
 - (4) Goods, wares, merchandise or fixtures being loaded or unloaded which do not extend more than three feet on the sidewalk, provided such goods, wares, etc., do not remain thereon for a period of more than two hours.
 - (5) Temporary encroachments or obstructions authorized by permit granted pursuant to Wis. Stats. § 66.0425.
 - (6) Excavations and openings with properly applied permits.

Penalty

- (a) Any person found guilty of violating this ordinance or any part of this ordinance, shall be subject to a forfeiture of not less than \$50.00 or more than \$500.00 Together with the costs of prosecution and in rueful default of payment of such forfeiture and cost of prosecution, shall be imprisoned in the county jail until said forfeiture is paid, but not exceeding 60 days.

(b) Any person, firm, or corporation, violating any of the sub-sections of this ordinance may stipulate to the guilt or no contest and may pay to the Clerk of Court a bond according to a schedule prescribed by the Circuit Court of Door County. Such stipulation will make it unnecessary for the subject charged to appear in court and will act as a basis for the court to enter judgment and order forfeiture of the bond. Forfeitures, penalty assessments, costs and fees shall be disbursed as provided in Wisconsin Statutes, Section 66.12.

Enforcement

(a) Enforcement shall be by citation

(b) Schedule of Deposits. Deposits shall be made in cash, money orders, or certified check to the Clerk of Door County Circuit Court, who shall provide a receipt to the other office and the amount of the forfeiture schedule shall be stated above or such amount that the Circuit Court of Door County hereafter affixes.

(c) Any person, firm, or corporation, violating any of the sub-sections of this ordinance may stipulate to the guilt or no contest and may pay to the Clerk of Court a bond according to a schedule prescribed by the Circuit Court of Door County. Such stipulation will make it unnecessary for the subject charged to appear in court and will act as a basis for the court to enter judgment and order forfeiture of the bond. Forfeitures, penalty assessments, costs and fees shall be disbursed as provided in Wisconsin Statutes, Section 66.12.

Reference to Statutes

Reference to specific statutory sections whenever used in this ordinance, shall mean Wisconsin Statutes as amended, modified, repealed or otherwise altered by the State Legislature.

Severability

If any of this Ordinance be declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such a decision shall not affect the validity of any other provisions of this ordinance.