

615. EXTERIOR STORAGE

615.010. POLICY. All materials and equipment shall be stored within buildings or in the rear yard in a screened area. Such screened area may consist of fencing of a suitable height, natural shrubbery, and/or topography so that the stored items are not visible from the frontage street or adjoining properties.

615.020. EXCEPTIONS TO POLICY.

1. Stacked firewood piles.
2. Clothesline poles and sires/lines.
3. Children's playground equipment.
4. Construction and landscaping equipment currently in use on the premises for use in the near future, pursuant to an existing and current building permit.
5. The normal tools used in lawn, garden and tree maintenance.
6. Off street parking of correctly licensed and operational automobiles and pickup trucks, parked on a designated driveway or on one (1) open paved or graveled space located adjacent to a driveway or garage. Provided, moreover, that any vehicle or boat parked on residential property for sale by the resident must be owned and licensed to the resident.
7. Boats, trailers, snowmobiles and recreational vehicles currently licensed and owned by the resident may be stored in the rear yard subject to the following:
 - a. Motorized boats, boat trailers, utility trailers, travel trailers, snowmobiles, and motorized recreational vehicles cannot exceed twenty-three (23) feet in length, per manufacturer's specifications.
 - b. Sailboats cannot exceed thirty-eight (38) feet in length, per manufacturer's specifications.

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8. Seasonal storage of boats is-are permitted in the rear yard of a resident's lot. If storage in the rear yard of the lot presents a verifiable hardship storage may be in the front yard by permit. Whether in the front or back yard, a boat must be stored six (6) feet from the right-of-way. Such storage is only authorized between October 1st through May 1st. Boats must be owned by the resident-property-owner where the boat is being stored and boats must be on their trailer.

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9. Visitors to Birchwood may park currently licensed and operational travel trailers and motorized recreational vehicles in a residents designated driveway for a period of up to seven (7) days. Parking beyond the seven (7) day period will require a non-fee permit from the City Clerk. The permit will provide for an additional parking period of up to fourteen (14) days. In no event will visitor parking by any one visitor exceed twenty-one (21) days during a six (6) month period.

615.030. EXCEPTIONS TO STORAGE LOCATIONS.

1. Normal storage items which are subject to the screening requirements of Section 615.010, and the items enumerated in Section 615.020 (7) (subject to the length limitations therein) may be stored at any place on the lot (but not closer to any street frontage lot line than the buildings existing on that lot) of forty (40) feet (whichever is less) for the following properties:
 - a. Lots abutting White Bear Lake;
 - b. Multiple frontage lots (where there is no defined rear yard); or
 - c. Lots on which a substantial portion of the dwelling is located within the rear one-third (1/3) of the lot.
2. Seasonal storage of boats, subject to length limitations found in 615.020 (7) a and b, boat lifts and docks are permitted on those lots abutting White Bear Lake in the area from the lake side of the residence to the ordinary high water level.

615.040. ****DELETED BY ORDINANCE 2012-11, December 13, 2012****

615.050. ****DELETED BY ORDINANCE 2012-11, December 13, 2012****

615.060 **TEMPORARY OUTDOOR STORAGE CONTAINERS.** Temporary outdoor storage containers include, but are not limited to, portable on-demand storage units and roll-off dumpsters. All temporary outdoor storage containers shall be regulated by this section. No person shall allow any temporary outdoor storage container to be placed or to remain in any street, roadway, parkway or alley.

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“AMENDED BY ORDINANCE 2008-1; FEBRUARY 12, 2008.”

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