

**TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE**

**COUNTY OF MACOMB**

**ORDINANCE NO. 175**

**SALE OF VEHICLES ORDINANCE**

**Title**

An Ordinance securing the public health, safety and general welfare of the residents and property owners of Bruce Township, by regulating the sale of new and used vehicles on public and private property, prescribing a penalty for the violation thereof, and repealing all Ordinances and/or Resolutions in conflict therewith.

**THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BRUCE, MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN ORDAINS:**

**Section 1. Short Title.**

This Ordinance shall be known and cited as the Bruce Township Sale of Vehicles Ordinance.

**Section 2. Purpose.**

The purpose of this Ordinance is to regulate the sale of new and used vehicles on public and private property, except for areas which are licensed for that purpose or for the sale of a personal vehicle on the personal property of the owner; to prohibit the illegal mixture of land uses, such as advertising for sale and/or selling of vehicles in parking lots approved for other uses; to eliminate hazards and nuisances related to sale of motor vehicles along public thoroughfares; all so as to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the township.

**Section 3. Definition.**

For the purpose of this article, a "vehicle" shall mean any vehicle required to be licensed by this state or any other state for the purpose of operation upon the highways or streets of the state.

**Section 4. Regulation.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, display or offer for sale any vehicle on any property within the township which property is not owned by such person unless they are licensed in accordance with under Section 5 of this Ordinance.

**Section 5. Exceptions.**

The provisions of this Ordinance shall not apply to those properties for which a license has been issued by the state and for which site plan approval has been granted and/or a special land use permit has been granted by the township for operation of a new or used vehicle sales establishment, nor shall it prohibit any person from displaying a "for sale" sign on a vehicle owned by such person and parked on the personal property of the owner.

**Section 6. Enforcement.**

The township zoning enforcement officer or any of the enforcement officers of the township building department or the county sheriff's department shall be the appropriate persons to enforce this Ordinance.

**Section 7. Penalty.**

Any person who violates the provisions of this Ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof, be guilty of a misdemeanor, and be subject to a penalty not to exceed \$500.00 or imprisonment in the Macomb County Jail for a period not to exceed 90 days, or both such fines and imprisonment at the discretion of the Judge.

**Section 8. Repeal of Conflicting Provisions.**

All Resolutions, Ordinances or parts thereof conflicting with the provisions of this Ordinance are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed.

**Section 9. Severability.**

If any section, paragraph, clause, or provision of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the invalidity of unconstitutionality of said section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not effect any of the remaining provisions of this Ordinance.

**Section 10. Publication.**

A true copy of this Ordinance or summary thereof shall be published in the Romeo Observer, a newspaper of general circulation in the Township of Bruce.

**Section 11. Effective Date.**

This Ordinance shall take effect 30 days from and after the publication of a true copy or summary thereof as provided in Section 10.