

**FRENCHTOWN CHARTER TOWNSHIP MICHIGAN VEHICLE
CODE AND UNIFORM TRAFFIC CODE ADOPTION ORDINANCE
Ord. No. 204; Date of Adoption: January 14, 2003**

An Ordinance adopting the Michigan Vehicle Code and the Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships, and Villages by reference, providing sanctions for violations thereof, and repealing contrary Ordinances.

Section 1. Adoption Of The Michigan Vehicle Code By Reference; Identification System.

A. Frenchtown Charter Township hereby adopts by reference the Michigan Vehicle Code, 1949 PA 300, Michigan Compiled Laws §§ 257.1 to 257.923, including such amendments made thereto from time to time, excepting those provisions of the Michigan Vehicle Code as may be specifically amended or deleted in the Ordinances of Frenchtown Charter Township.

B. All sections of the Michigan Vehicle Code adopted herein shall be identified and designated on a uniform law citation, with a prefix corresponding to the number assigned to this Ordinance.

C. References in the Michigan Vehicle Code to “local authorities” shall mean Frenchtown Charter Township.

Section 2. Adoption Of The Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships, and Villages By Reference.

A. The Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships, and Villages as promulgated by the director of the Michigan Department of State Police pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328 and made effective October 30, 2002, and all future amendments and revisions to the Uniform Traffic Code when they are promulgated and effective in this state, are incorporated by reference.

B. References in the Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships, and Villages to a “Governmental Unit” shall mean Frenchtown Charter Township.

Section 3. Penalties; Disposition of Fines.

A. The penalties provided by the Michigan Vehicle Code and Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships, and Villages, are adopted by reference herein; provided, however, that Frenchtown Charter Township may not enforce any provision of the Michigan Vehicle Code, as adopted herein by reference, for which the maximum period of imprisonment is greater than 93 days.

B. Frenchtown Charter Township does not, by adoption of the Michigan Vehicle Code by reference, incorporate any of the provisions of the Michigan Vehicle Code calling for the disposition of criminal and civil fines for the benefit of any other entity or agency, and directs that any and all fines and costs be collected and paid to the general fund of Frenchtown Charter Township.

Section 4. Publication.

A. This Ordinance shall become effective thirty (30) days after publication of a notice in the Monroe Evening News, a newspaper of general circulation in Frenchtown Charter Township. The notice shall state the purpose of the Michigan Motor Vehicle Code and the Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships, and Villages.

B. The Township Clerk shall maintain a complete copy of the Michigan Vehicle Code and the Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships, and Villages; and keep complete copies of each available for public inspection at the Office of the Clerk during normal business hours.

Section 5. Savings and Severability Clause.

A. All proceedings pending and all rights and liabilities existing, acquired or incurred under the Codified Ordinances Frenchtown Charter Township, or the Uniform Traffic Code, as adopted by Frenchtown Charter Township, at the time this chapter takes effect are saved and may be consummated according to the law in force when they are/were commenced.

B. The various parts, sections and clauses of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If a court of competent jurisdiction adjudges any part, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section unconstitutional or invalid, the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

Section 6. Repeal

A. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith previously adopted by the Township including specifically Ordinance No. 130 are hereby repealed and shall be of no further force or effect as of the effective date of this Ordinance.

B. This Ordinance shall not be construed as repealing Ordinance No. 112, regarding vessel speeds in waterways.