

CHAPTER 1

CITATIONS AND GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1.01 AUTHORITY.** Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 66.0113(1), this ordinance is adopted and authorizes the use of a citation to be issued for violations of ordinances, including those for which a statutory counterpart exists.
- 1.02 DEFINITIONS.** The following words and phrases, whenever used in the St. Croix Code of Ordinances, shall be construed as defined in this section unless from the context a different meaning is intended or unless a different meaning is specifically defined and more particularly directed to the use of such words or phrases:
- (A) “County” means the county of St. Croix, Wisconsin.
 - (B) “Law” denotes applicable federal law, the constitution and statutes of the state of Wisconsin, the ordinances of the city, and when appropriate, any and all rules and regulations which may be promulgated thereunder.
 - (C) “Ordinance” means a law of the County; provided that a temporary or special law, administrative action, order or directive may be in the form of a resolution.
- 1.03 FORM OF CITATION.** A citation under this chapter will contain the information required by Wis. Stat. § 66.0113(2).
- 1.04 RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER LAWS.** The adoption and authorization of the St. Croix County Code of Ordinances shall not preclude the County from adopting any other ordinances or providing for the enforcement of any other law or ordinances relating to the same or any other matter. The issuance of a citation under this ordinance shall not preclude a proceeding under any other law or ordinances relating to the same or any other matter. A proceeding under any other ordinances or law relating to the same or any other proceeding shall not preclude the issuance of a citation under this section.
- 1.05 SEVERABILITY.** If any provision of the St. Croix County Code of Ordinances are held to be invalid or unconstitutional, or if the application of the ordinances to any person or circumstances is held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the provision or application of the St. Croix County Code of Ordinances which can be given effect without the invalid or unconstitutional provision or application.
- 1.06 CODIFICATION AUTHORITY.** This code consists of all the regulatory and penal ordinances and certain administration ordinances of the County of St. Croix, Wisconsin, codified pursuant to the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 66.0103.

1.07 ISSUANCE OF CITATIONS.

- (A) Any law enforcement officer in the County may issue citations for enforcement of any ordinance authorized under this chapter.
- (B) The following officials of St. Croix County are authorized to issue citations for enforcement of those ordinances which are directly related to their official responsibilities: Public Health Officer and Community Development Director.
- (C) Such officials listed above may delegate citation authority to their subordinates and/or other designees.

1.08 SCHEDULE OF DEPOSITS.

- (A) The following schedule of cash deposits are required for the following ordinance violations for which a citation may be issued.
 - (1) All applicable court costs that are prescribed or adopted by Wisconsin Statutes and the Wisconsin Circuit Court shall be added to the deposits set forth below.
 - (2) The deposit and the court costs shall be totaled together to establish the amount of the forfeiture placed on the citation. *See* Wisconsin Circuit Court Fee, Forfeiture, Fine and Surcharge Tables for applicable court costs.
 - (3) If not otherwise specified below, a violation of the St. Croix County Code of Ordinances shall consist of a forfeiture of \$100 plus applicable court costs.

Code Chapter	Ordinance Title or Subject	Deposit
Land Use		
Chapter 11	Manure Storage Facilities	See Community Development Department Forfeiture Schedule
Chapter 12	Sanitary	See Community Development Department Forfeiture Schedule
Chapter 13	Land Division	See Community Development Department Forfeiture Schedule
Chapter 14	Nonmetallic Mining	See Community Development Department Forfeiture Schedule
Chapter 15	Zoning	See Community Development Department Forfeiture Schedule
Chapter 16	Shoreland Zoning	See Community Development Department Forfeiture Schedule

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Chapter 17 (17.36)	Zoning – Subchapter III.V. – Lower St. Croix Riverway Overlay District	See Community Development Department Forfeiture Schedule
Chapter 18	Floodplain Zoning	See Community Development Department Forfeiture Schedule
Chapter 21	Municipal Solid Waste Reduction, Recovery and Recycling	See Community Development Department Forfeiture Schedule
Public Property		
Chapter 30	Parks	\$200
Chapter 32	Smoking and Tobacco Use on County Property	See Chapter 32 of the St. Croix County Code
Public Safety and Order		
Chapter 35	False Alarm	See Chapter 35 of the St. Croix County Code
Chapter 36	Fireworks	\$300
Health and Sanitation		
Chapter 40	Food, Lodging, and Recreation	See Wis. Admin. Code ATCP Chs. 74 – 79
Chapter 42	Human Health Hazards	\$300
Chapter 45	Tattooing and Body Piercing	\$500
Law Enforcement		
Chapter 50	Battery (Bodily Harm)	\$300
Chapter 51	Concealed Weapon	\$300
Chapter 52	Disorderly Conduct	\$125
Chapter 53	Dog (Licensing and Control)	\$100 – 1 st offense \$200 – Subsequent offenses

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Chapter 54	Misuse of Public Assistance Monies	\$125
Chapter 55	Obstructing (a Law Enforcement Officer)	\$300
Chapter 56	Petty Damage to Property	\$125
Chapter 57	Petty Theft	\$300
Chapter 58	Possession of Controlled Substance and Drug Paraphernalia	\$125
Chapter 60	Prostitution	\$125
Chapter 61	Trespass to Land and Dwelling	\$125
Chapter 62	Worthless Checks	\$125
Motorized Vehicles		
Chapter 70	Alcoholic Beverages in Vehicle	\$100
Chapter 71	Boat Mooring (City of Hudson)	\$100 – 1 st offense \$200 – Subsequent offenses
Chapter 72	Boating	\$125
Chapter 73	Vehicle Noise and Operation	\$125
Chapter 74	Snowmobile Trails	\$125
Chapter 75	Traffic Code (Non-criminal)	See Uniform Traffic Deposit Schedule
Chapter 78	Implements of Husbandry (IoH) – Permit to Exceed Weight and Length Limits	Forfeiture as provided under Wis. Stat. § 348.21
Chapter 79	All-Terrain and Utility Terrain Vehicle Route	See Chapter 79 of the St. Croix County Code
Minors and Underage Persons		
Chapter 80	Aiding or Harboring a Juvenile	\$125

Code Chapter	Ordinance Title or Subject	Deposit
Chapter 81	Alcohol Offense (Minors in Places Selling Alcoholic Beverages)	\$125
Chapter 82	Purchase or Possession of Tobacco Products by a Child	\$50
Chapter 83	Contributing to Truancy	\$125
Chapter 84	Habitual Truancy	\$50 – 1 st offense \$100 – Subsequent offenses
Chapter 85	School Attendance	\$125
Chapter 86	Restrictions on Sale or Gift of Cigarette and Tobacco Products to Minors	See Chapter 86 of the St. Croix County Code

- (B) The bond schedule for motor vehicle and parking violations is set forth in the uniform state traffic deposit schedule, by reference made a part hereof.
- (C) The deposits set forth above shall be made in cash, personal check, credit card, debit card, money order or certified check to the St. Croix County Clerk of Circuit Court.

1.09 VIOLATOR’S OPTION: PROCEDURES ON DEFAULT

The provisions of Wis. Stat. § 66.0113(3), relating to a violator’s options and procedures on default, are adopted and incorporated into this chapter by reference.

1.10 AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER. Any future amendments, revisions, or modifications of Wis. Stat. § 66.0113 or any other statutes referred to in the St. Croix County Code of Ordinances are intended to be made part of this ordinance as such amendments, revisions, or modifications are made to said statutes.

1.11 EFFECTIVE DATE. All ordinances shall become effective the day after passage on the day after their official publication unless expressly prescribed.

Ordinance No. 236(89) – October, 1989

Repealed and Recreated: Ordinance No. 839(2016) – January, 2016

Amended Ordinance No. 949(2025) – April, 2025

Amended Ordinance No. 951(2025) – June, 2025