

ORDINANCE NO. 2025- 02

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL AND RECREATE SECTIONS 25.32 AND 25.325
OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE VILLAGE OF PADDOCK LAKE
RELATING TO HABITUAL TRUANCY PROHIBITED
AND TRUANCY (NON-HABITUAL) PROHIBITED

The Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Paddock Lake, Kenosha County,
Wisconsin, hereby repeals and recreates Sections 25.32 and 25.325 of the Code of Ordinances of
the Village of Paddock Lake to read as follows:

25.32 HABITUAL TRUANCY PROHIBITED.

(A) "Habitual truant" means a pupil who is absent from school without an acceptable excuse under §118.16(4) and §118.15, Wis. Stats., for part or all of five (5) or more days on which school is held during a school semester.

(B) Any person under the age of eighteen (18) years who is a habitual truant may upon conviction be subject to the following penalties:

(1) Suspension of the person's operating privilege for not less than thirty (30) days nor more than one (1) year. The Court may take possession of any suspended license. If the Court takes possession of a license, it shall destroy the license. The Court shall forward to the Department of Transportation a notice stating the reason for and the duration of the suspension.

(2) An order for the person to participate in counseling or a supervised work program or other community service work as described in §938.34(5g), Wis. Stats. The costs of any such counseling, supervised work program or other community service work may be assessed against the person, the parents or guardian of the person, or both.

(3) An order for the person to remain at home except during hours in which the person is attending religious worship or a school program,

including travel time required to get to and from the school program or place of worship. The order may permit a person to leave his or her home if the person is accompanied by a parent or guardian.

(4) An order for the person to attend an educational program as described in §938.34(7d), Wis. Stats.

(5) An order for the Department of Workforce Development to revoke, under §103.72, Wis. Stats., a permit under §103.70, Wis. Stats., authorizing the employment of the person.

(6) An order for the person to attend school.

(7) A forfeiture of not more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars plus costs, subject to §938.37, Wis. Stats. All or part of the forfeiture plus costs may be assessed against the person, the parents or guardian of the person, or both.

(8) Any other reasonable conditions consistent with this subsection, including a curfew, restrictions as to going to or remaining on specified premises and restrictions on associating with other children or adults.

(9) An order placing the person under formal or informal supervision, as described in §938.34(2), Wis. Stats., for up to one (1) year.

(10) An order for the person's parent, guardian or legal custodian to participate in counseling at their own expense or to attend school with the person, or both.

(11) An order for the person to report to a youth report center after school, in the evening, on weekends, on other non-school days, or at any other time that the person is not under immediate adult supervision, for participation in the social, behavioral, academic, community service, and other programming of the center as described in §938.342(1g)(k), Wis. Stats.

23.325 TRUANCY (NON-HABITUAL) PROHIBITED.

(A) "Truant" means a pupil who is absent from school without an acceptable excuse under §118.15 and §118.16(4), Wis. Stats., for part or all of any day on which school is held during a school semester. "Truant" does not refer to a pupil who is a "habitual truant."

(B) "Habitual truant" means a pupil who is absent from school without an acceptable excuse under §118.16(4) and §118.15, Wis. Stats., for part or all of five (5) or more days on which school is held during a school semester.

(C) Any person under the age of eighteen (18) years who is truant from school, but not a habitual truant, shall forfeit:

(1) For the first offense, not more than Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars plus applicable costs.

(2) For a second offense or subsequent offense within twelve (12) months of the previous offense, One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars plus applicable costs for each such violation subject to a maximum cumulative forfeiture of Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars exclusive of costs during that school semester.

(D) All or part of any forfeiture plus costs may be assessed against the person, the parents or guardian of the person, or both.

(E) In addition to imposing a forfeiture for a violation of this section the Municipal Court may also:

(1) Order the person to attend school.

(2) Order the person to report to a youth report center after school, in the evening, on weekends, on other non-school days, or at any other time that the person is not under immediate adult supervision, for participation in the social, behavioral, academic, community service, and other programming of the center as described in §938.342(1d)(c), Wis. Stats.

Dated at Paddock Lake, Wisconsin, this 20 day of August, 2025.

VILLAGE OF PADDOCK LAKE

By: 
Alex Attiah, President

Attest: 
Michelle Shramek, Clerk/Treasurer