

APPENDIX L (To Title 8 W.V.O.)

**1. Meter Violation Validation Program Enacted**

On March 8, 2011 The Board of Village Trustees enacted the Woodstock Village Meter Ticket Validation Program.

The entire Woodstock Village Parking Ordinance remains in effect. The parking validation program only applies to parking tickets issued for meter violations for parking at an expired meter.

The parking validation voucher program authorizes downtown business owners and their employees whose business is located in the parking meter zone, to validate parking tickets that were issued for reason of parking at a parking meter that has expired.

A motor vehicle license plate assigned to one person, may receive up to two meter ticket validations in any calendar year, after that, any parking tickets issued to that motor vehicle shall be paid in full by the owner, or the owner shall be subject to penalties as provided by the W.V.O.

**2. Parking Ticket Validation in Lieu of Fine Validation Procedure**

Participating downtown business owners and their employees are authorized by the Board of Village Trustees to validate parking tickets that were issued for a violation of meter regulations by parking at an expired parking meter.

The police officer / meter attendant will affix a special sticker to parking tickets issued to a vehicle that is parked at an expired meter.

Participating downtown business owners and their employees can validate a parking ticket that has such a sticker affixed to it.

Downtown business owners and their employees who validate the ticket must identify his/her business with a stamp or business card. Authorized downtown business owners or any employee thereof is asked to initial the stamp or business card and place the business card inside the envelope.

It is the responsibility of either the participating downtown business owners, their employees or the owner of the ticketed vehicle, to place the validated ticket in the red parking ticket collection boxes located in the downtown business district, or deliver them to the office of the Woodstock Village Police Department.

Validations entered by downtown business owners and their employees for violations other than meter violations are void; (see section 3, "Vehicles Ineligible to Have Tickets Validated").

**3. Vehicles Ineligible to Have Tickets Validated**

Only motor vehicles that do not have any unpaid meter violation tickets outstanding on the day the ticket is issued are eligible for participation in the meter violation validation program.

Parking tickets issued for the violation of all parking regulations other than a meter violation are not eligible for validation by a downtown business owner and their employees.

The third and subsequent parking tickets issued to a motor vehicle license plate, in the same year, are not eligible for participation in the meter violation validation program.

#### **4. Limitations**

It is not the responsibility of the participating downtown business owners and their employees to verify if the owner of a motor vehicle receiving a ticket for an expired meter has received more than two tickets in the same calendar year, or has any outstanding tickets.

When downtown business owners and their employees validate a parking ticket, he/she is submitting the ticket with a voucher in lieu of payment of a fine for a parking meter violation. The ticket remains a violation and each violation is applied to the annual total of ten prior tickets, that become subject to an escalated fine of \$25.00 per ticket.

Parking tickets validated for non-meter violations, which are validated by error of downtown business owners and their employees, are still violations and a follow up ticket will be mailed to the owner of the vehicle receiving the initial ticket at the address of record.

When the owner/driver of a motor vehicle has received two tickets that have been validated by downtown business owners and their employees as herein provided, that license plate is no longer eligible to participate in the meter violation validation program.

If the owner/driver of a motor vehicle submits a validated parking ticket for its third or more parking ticket in a single calendar year, or if the vehicle has any unpaid outstanding parking tickets that validation becomes void and the Woodstock Village Police Department will mail to the owner of said vehicle a replacement ticket which will be paid in accordance with this ordinance, or be subject to the penalties for nonpayment of a parking ticket.

If the owner/driver of a motor vehicle submits a validated parking ticket for any parking violation other than a meter violation, that validated ticket becomes void and the Woodstock Village Police Department shall mail to the owner of said vehicle a replacement ticket which shall be paid in accordance with this ordinance, or be subject to the penalties for nonpayment of a parking ticket.

When Woodstock Village Police does mail a parking ticket to the owner of a motor vehicle, said ticket must be paid within seven (7) days of the postmark on the mailed ticket or be subject to an increased penalty as provided in this chapter of W.V.O.

#### History:

Revision # 7 – A to the 2009 compilation of the Woodstock Village Ordinances, added Appendix L to create a meter violation validation program was adopted on March 8, 2011, and became effective 60 days thereafter.