

Gunma Prefecture Automobile



JYOSHU KUN

Yard Ordinance



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Official Name

An ordinance on ensuring the appropriate handling of automobiles or similar items inside the yards in Gunma Prefecture.

Date of enforcement

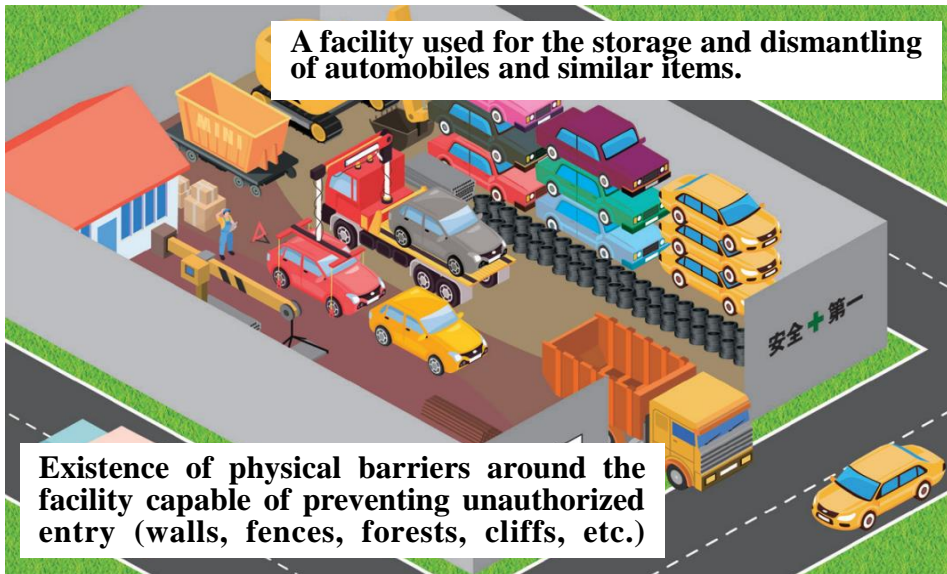
October 1, 2025

【Advance Notification Period】

From July 1, 2025 to September 30, 2025

Definition of yard in the ordinance

A facility used for the storage and dismantling of automobiles and similar items.



Existence of physical barriers around the facility capable of preventing unauthorized entry (walls, fences, forests, cliffs, etc.)

Yards in the ordinance refer to the facilities used for storing or dismantling automobiles and similar items, which are enclosed by structures such as walls, hedges, fences, containers or natural features like forests, cliffs etc., capable of preventing unauthorized entry.

Purpose of the ordinance

Considering the situation involving the storage and dismantling of stolen automobiles and related items, this ordinance aims to prevent the thefts and help ensure the peaceful lives of the residents of the Prefecture by implementing necessary regulations to ensure the proper handling of automobiles and related items in yards inside the prefecture.

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Partial enforcement of the ordinance and advance notification requirement

Starting July 1, 2025, the provision regarding notification of commencement will be partially enforced. If you are subject to this requirement, please submit the notification in advance.

【Advance Notification Period】

From July 1, 2025 to September 30, 2025

【Person Subject to Advance Notification】

- ① Persons conducting business related to automobiles inside the yards at the time of partial enforcement.
- ② Persons intending to conduct business related to automobiles inside the yards after the partial enforcement.

To those who run the Yard

The key points of the regulation are as follows.

Violators might be subject to penalties.

Contents of the regulation	Penalties
Notification of Commencement	Imprisonment for up to 3 months A fine of up to 300,000 yen
Identity verification of the counterparty	Imprisonment for up to 3 months A fine of up to 300,000 yen
Reporting stolen automobiles or related items	No penalty
Creating and storing transaction records	Imprisonment for up to 3 months A fine of up to 300,000 yen
Maintenance of employee roster	A fine of up to 200,000 yen
Ensuring the visibility of the yard	No penalty
Posting of signs	A fine of up to 100,000 yen
Refusal, obstruction, or other interference with on-site inspection	A fine of up to 300,000 yen

To those who own land or buildings

The regulations regarding the obligations of land or building owners in Gunma Prefecture are outlined as follows.

Obligations for those planning to transfer land or property, or to undertake similar activities.

Before entering into any contract related to the transfer of land or other property, or engaging in similar activities, the owners of the land or other property must make efforts to ensure that the person intending to store or dismantle automobiles or related items within the yard – whether for transfer, export or other purposes – does not deal in stolen automobiles or similar items.

Any person who is aware that the land or other property they intend to transfer will be used for operating an automobile-related business involving stolen vehicles shall refrain from transferring such land or other property.

Any person intending to transfer land, or other property should make efforts to specify in the contract that stolen automobiles and similar items cannot be involved in automobile-related business within the yard.

Description of the contents of the regulation

Notification of Commencement	Any person intending to engage in automobile-related business within a yard must submit a notification to the Public Safety Commission in advance.
Identity verification of the counterparty	When accepting automobiles or related items, the counterparty's name, address, and other relevant information must be verified.
Reporting stolen automobiles or related items	When accepting automobiles or related items, if there is reason to suspect that they might be stolen items, the matter must be reported to the police immediately.
Creating and storing transaction records	Each time automobiles or related items are accepted or delivered, the transaction date, type and quantity of items, and other relevant details must be recorded and stored.
Maintenance of employee roster	An employee roster must be maintained for each yard.
Ensuring the visibility of the yard	Efforts must be made to design the yards in such a way that the interior can be seen from the outside.
Posting of signs	A person who has submitted a notification pursuant to the ordinance must display a sign in a publicly visible location indicating that the notification has been submitted.
On-site inspection or similar procedure	Police officers are authorized to conduct on-site inspections of yards as necessary.

Place to submit the notification

The place to submit the notification related to this ordinance is the police station that has jurisdiction over the location of the yard.

If the location of the yard falls under the jurisdiction of two police stations, the notification should be submitted to either one of them.

Details related to the ordinance Contact details for inquiries regarding the ordinance

Please refer to the Gunma Prefectural Police website for detailed information regarding this ordinance.
You can access the Gunma Prefectural Police website from the QR code below.



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Community Safety Planning Division
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