

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MARQUETTE
COUNTY OF MARQUETTE
STATE OF MICHIGAN
ORDINANCE NO. 6-19-18-3**

AN ORDINANCE TO PROTECT THE HEALTH, SAFETY AND GENERAL WELFARE OF THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MARQUETTE, BY PROHIBITING OVERNIGHT CAMPING OR PRESENCE AFTER POSTED HOURS WITHIN PARKS, RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND PROPERTIES OWNED OR MAINTAINED BY MARQUETTE TOWNSHIP.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MARQUETTE, COUNTY OF MARQUETTE, STATE OF MICHIGAN, ORDAINS:

SECTION 1: DEFINITIONS

- A. As used in this Ordinance, the following terms shall have the meanings as ascribed to them:
 - 1. "To camp" means to set up, or to remain in or at a campsite, for the purpose of establishing or maintaining a temporary place to live.
 - 2. "Campsite" means any place where any bedding, sleeping bag, or other sleeping matter, or any stove or fire is placed, established, or maintained, whether or not such place incorporates the use of any tent, lean-to, hammock, or any other structure.

SECTION 2: UNLAWFUL CAMPING OR PRESENCE

- A. It shall be unlawful for any person to camp upon any park, recreational facility, or property owned or maintained by Marquette Township.
- B. It shall be unlawful for any person, excepting law enforcement officers or other persons on official Township business to be within the confines of any park, recreational facility, or property owned or maintained by Marquette Township after the posted closing time established by the Marquette Township Board, or in the absence of a posted closing time, between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.

SECTION 3: PENALTIES


Any person that violates any provision of this Ordinance shall be responsible for a civil infraction punishable by a fine not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00), plus court costs. Each day or fraction thereof that the violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION 4: SEVERABILITY

Each section or subpart of this Ordinance shall be deemed severable, and should any section, clause, or provision be declared unconstitutional or contrary to the laws of the State of Michigan, or voided by any court of competent jurisdiction, any such declaration shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof other than that section or provision declared to be unconstitutional or invalid.

SECTION 5: EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance is declared to be an emergency ordinance, and shall be effective immediately upon the date of publication, pursuant to the authority of MCL 42.20 and MCL 42.22.



Lyn J. Durant, Township Supervisor



Randy J. Ritari, Township Clerk

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