

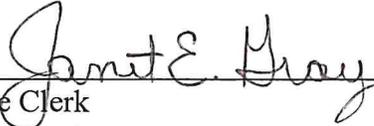
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**VILLAGE OF RANTOUL
CHAMPAIGN COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

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Village Clerk

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WHEREAS, Article XI of the Village Code was “reserved” for future provisions; and,

WHEREAS, the campground within the corporate limits of the Village has come under private ownership; and,

WHEREAS, the Village Board has determined that it is prudent and necessary to provide for regulations governing the operations of campgrounds within the village; and

WHEREAS, Article XI of Chapter 10 of the Village Code shall be amended to provide regulations governing the operation of campgrounds within the corporate limits of the Village.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF RANTOUL, CHAMPAIGN COUNTY, ILLINOIS, as follows:

Section 1. Amendment. That ARTICLE XI, entitled “Reserved”, of CHAPTER 10, entitled “Buildings and Building Regulation”, be and the same is hereby amended to provide as follows:

ARTICLE XI. – CAMPGROUNDS AND CAMPGROUND LICENSING

Section 10-354 Purpose

The purpose of this article is to protect, promote, and preserve the public health, safety, and general welfare by providing for the establishment and enforcement of minimum standards for safety, cleanliness, and general sanitation for all campgrounds now in existence, or hereafter constructed or developed, and to provide for inspection of all such facilities and the licensing of campgrounds.

Section 10-355 Definitions

The following words and phrases when used in this article shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them as follows:

Applicant means any person making application for a license under this article.

Auxiliary Structure means a structure or structures on a campsite, including, but not limited to, a shed, deck, garage, or picnic shelter.

Campground means a recreational area where three or more tents, cabins, recreational vehicles, or other permanent or non-permanent type shelters are erected and maintained for camping, or where space is provided for camping, temporary parking of recreational vehicles, or placing of such tents, cabins, recreational vehicles, or other permanent or non-permanent type shelters of any kind for ten or more persons for six or more camping days during a calendar year. It shall include any structure, tent, vehicle, enclosure, appurtenances, or recreational equipment related to or used, or intended for use, as a part of such campground.

Camping means the act of resting, or establishing temporary shelter using a tent, cabin, recreational vehicle, or other permanent or non-permanent type shelter erected or placed on an area of land.

Camping site means an area of a campground that is designated by the operator as capable of accommodating an independent or dependent camping unit.

Camping Unit means a structure, such as and including a tent, camping cabin, recreational vehicle, or similar item, used for camping.

Department means the Village Building & Environmental Safety department, unless otherwise indicated.

License means a license issued by the department in accordance with this article, which allows the owner of a campground to operate and maintain a campground in accordance with the provisions of this article.

Street, private means a service way with an all-weather surface within a campground which provides access to one or more campsites, and which has not been publicly dedicated.

Section 10-356 License required; Fee

- A. It shall be unlawful, and a violation of this article, for any person to operate or maintain a campground without first obtaining a license therefore from the Village. An application for a license shall be made in writing to the Village Clerk, and shall be signed by the owner of the campground, and verified under oath.
- B. Any such application shall include a campground plat, shall be in such form and contain such information as may be required by the department, and shall be accompanied by the annual fee for such license.
- C. The fee for a license issued pursuant to this article shall be in the amount determined from time to time by the Village Board.
- D. A license issued pursuant to this article shall be effective or renewed for a one-year period, which commences on May and expires on April 30 of the following year regardless of when issued.
- E. No license issued hereunder shall be assigned or transferred.
- F. Not more than one (1) license under this article shall be issued and outstanding at any one time.

Section 10-357 Issuance of license; Inspection

Upon the receipt of an application, the department shall cause an inspection to be made of all common and exterior areas of the campground to determine whether such campground is in compliance with the standards for a campground, as established by this article. The department shall issue a license to the owner of any such campground which is found upon inspection to be in compliance with this article.

Section 10-358 Standards for Campgrounds

A. Roadways and access.

- (1) All streets and driveways in every campground shall be maintained in a passable and dust-proof condition at all times, and all private streets shall have a minimum width of 24 feet if it is a two-way street, and all one-way streets and driveways shall have a minimum width of 20 feet.
- (2) When in the opinion of the department adequate emergency access is not provided for emergency vehicles, the department may require the owner of a campground to provide adequate access where possible.
- (3) Each camping site designed for vehicular camping units shall have frontage upon an access drive, or a private road maintained by the campground for the purpose of vehicular and pedestrian access.
- (4) Whether attached to individual camping sites or otherwise, each campground shall provide adequate space for parking of at least two (2) motor vehicles per camping site, in addition to the site provided for the camping unit which occupies such site.

B. Campground sites, spacing and density.

- (1) No camping site shall contain more than one camping unit.
- (2) Camping sites shall be a minimum of 2200 square feet. Driveways and vehicle parking areas adjacent to a camping site may be included in the minimum average computation.
- (3) A hard-surfaced pad shall be provided for each camping site.
- (4) No camping site shall have any principal use other than that for camping.
- (5) No permanent structure, other than a camping cabin, shall be erected, and no camping unit shall be placed on a permanent foundation on any camping site.

C. Potable water supply.

- (1) Each campground shall be connected to a public water main.
- (2) Any private water distribution system of a campground shall supply water at a minimum pressure of 20 pounds per square inch (PSI) during periods of peak demand and usage.
- (3) Any approved fire hydrant within a campground shall be accessible within 500 feet of all campground sites.

D. Public sewer system. Each campground shall be connected to a public sewer.

E. Electrical system. Each campground shall provide appropriate poles which meet all applicable requirements of the electrical code of the Village as adopted by article VII, chapter 10 of this Code for any public electric distribution system within such campground, including that any such poles shall be capable of supporting any overhead distribution lines at least 18 feet above all private streets, and shall provide at least three feet of clearance from any structure.

F. Exterior lighting. Each campground shall provide adequate lighting for all streets, walkways, any campground service building, and any other campground facilities subject to nighttime use. There shall be a minimum illumination level of 0.1 foot-candles maintained on all private streets.

G. Other structures.

(1) No auxiliary or non-permanent structure shall be fixed, mounted or attached to a camper vehicle in any manner which would prevent the ready removal and transport of the camper vehicle.

(2) No auxiliary or non-permanent structures larger than a combined two-hundred (200) square feet shall be allowed at any camping site.

Section 10-359 Campground maintenance and operation regulations.

It shall be unlawful and a violation of this section for the owner of any campground within the Village to fail to do or accomplish any of the following:

- (A) Supervision and maintenance. The owner of any campground shall provide adequate supervision to maintain all common and exterior areas of the campground in compliance with this article, all applicable provisions of the property maintenance code as established by Article XII, Chapter 10 of this Code, and any other applicable Village codes or state law. The owner shall keep all facilities and equipment of a campground in good repair, and in a clean and sanitary condition.
- (B) Inspection and responsibilities. The owner of any campground shall inspect such campground weekly to determine that the potable water line and public sewer connections are functioning in a safe and sanitary manner, that the collection of garbage and refuse, cutting of grass and weeds, the removal of municipal waste, landscape waste, or any construction and demolition debris is being performed in accordance with all applicable provisions of this Code. The owner of any campground shall be responsible for the removal of any municipal waste, landscape waste, or any construction and demolition debris, or any abandoned vehicle in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Code.
- (C) Notices of violations. Upon determining that the owner of any campground is in violation of this section, the department shall serve, or cause to be served, a notice of such violation upon the owner of the campground. Such notice shall specifically describe the nature of the violation, and shall direct the owner of the campground to take corrective action to come into compliance with the applicable provision or provisions of this section within ten days of the date of such notice. Such notice shall further contain a description of the appeal process as provided in this article, and shall provide that unless the owner of the campground takes such corrective action within the period of time specified in such notice, the department will proceed with either one or both of the following actions:
 - 1. Cause the applicable corrective action to be taken by the Village with the costs and expenses thereof, including administrative costs, to be charged to the owner of the campground; or
 - 2. Cause the owner of the campground to be charged with a violation of this section and subject to a fine as provided in this article.

Such notice under this section shall be deemed to be properly served by depositing the notice in the U.S. Mail, first-class postage prepaid, or by personal service.

Section 10-360 Appeals.

Any owner of a campground, or other person affected by a decision of the department in connection with failing to meet any applicable standard for the issuance of any campground license, or for any violation of this article, may appeal such decision to the Board of Code Appeals within the time, and in the manner specified in the Property Maintenance Code, as adopted in Article XII, Chapter 10 of this Code.

Section 10-361 Violations; Penalties

- A. Any person found to be violating any of the provisions of this article shall be subject to penalties as set forth in section 1-23 of this Code. A separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day during or on which a violation of this article continues.
- B. The Village retains the right to revoke, suspend, or place limitations on a campground license if there is evidence that the campground is in habitual violation of this article or if there is habitual law enforcement issues at the campground. No license issued pursuant to this article shall be suspended, revoked or limitations placed on such license until a notice and opportunity to be heard are provided to the licensee.

Section 2. Effective Date. The provisions of this Ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after its passage, approval, and publication as required by law.

Section 3. Conflict. All Ordinances, or parts of Ordinances, which are in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict, hereby superseded.

Section 4. Publication. The Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause this Ordinance to be published in pamphlet form.

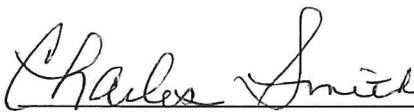
This Ordinance is hereby passed, the “ayes” and “nays” being called, by the concurrence of a majority of the members of the Corporate Authorities then holding office on the date set forth below.

PASSED this 9th day of July, 2024.



Village Clerk

APPROVED this 9th day of July, 2024.



Village President