

# TOWN OF EGG HARBOR

## ORDINANCE NO. 190 Camping on Private Property

The Town Board of the Town of Egg Harbor, Door County, Wisconsin, does ordain as follows:

### **Section 1 - Authority**

This ordinance is adopted pursuant to the authority granted in Wis. Stats. §60.22.

### **Section 2 - Purpose**

The purpose of this ordinance is to assure that camping on private property in the Town of Egg Harbor is restricted to limited uses and requirements so that neighboring property owners and water resources are not adversely affected.

### **Section 3 – Regulations Imposed**

The Town of Egg Harbor, by its Board of Supervisors, hereby creates the following ordinance relating to camping on private property:

1. There shall be no camping on private property in the Town of Egg Harbor without a permit, nor shall there be any camping in the Town of Egg Harbor in violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance.
2. Permit. The landowner(s) is(are) responsible for applying for the private property camping permit. Fee payment must be received by the Town before a permit can be issued. A permit must be issued by the Town prior to placing camping unit(s) on the parcel. The permit shall be displayed on site at all times without entering a structure. A permit is valid for up to one (1) calendar year. A calendar year is from January 1 through December 31 of the approved year
3. Sanitary Requirements. Sanitary and gray water waste and garbage disposal shall be provided by any combination of the following:
  - A. Connection to a county sanitarian approved onsite waste disposal system;
  - B. Self-contained holding tank(s) with disposal at an approved sanitary dump station or service;
  - C. A portable toilet with disposal at an approved sanitary dump station or service;

- D. Garbage is to be removed after each stay or by the use of service.
4. Number of camping units permitted on a campsite:
- A. Single Camping Party. Not more than one (1) camping unit per property owner and occupied by that property owner shall be permitted on an individual campsite. In lieu of all property owners' units, one (1) non-property owner's camping unit is allowed with a property owner's written permission displayed with the permit and indicating camping unit's owner, intended day(s) of stay and vehicle(s) expected.
  - B. Group Camping Party. Group camping is allowed if noted on the application. For a calendar year, no more than two (2) camping stays of not more than ten (10) consecutive days for each camping stay.
5. Setback. All camping units shall meet all property setback requirements of the Town of Egg Harbor.
6. Removal of Camping Units. All camping units shall be removed from campsites after each camping stay, unless owned by a property owner.
7. Fire Number and Access Driveway Required. The individual campsite parcel shall have a county issued fire number displayed per county code and an access driveway.
8. Recreational Use Only. Camping unit(s) shall be for recreational use only. They shall not be used at any time as an alternate for a permanent dwelling unit. No accessory structures shall be used as additional living space.
9. Repeat Use. New applications for repeat use of an individual campsite shall include documentation acceptable to the town official of how the sanitary and gray water waste disposal was accomplished during the previous permitted use.
10. Definitions. The following definitions shall apply to this section.
- A. "Individual Campsite" means a tax parcel of land used for overnight camping by not more than 6 persons unless all are members of an individual family.
  - B. "Camping Unit" means any portable device, no more than 400 square feet in area, used as a temporary dwelling, including but not limited to a camping trailer, motor home, bus, van, pick-up truck or tent. Ref. HFS 178.03(4)

#### **Section 4 – Penalties**

Any person violating the above ordinance shall be subject to a forfeiture of not less than \$100 nor more than \$300 per violation. Each day a violation continues shall be considered a separate violation. In addition, the town may pursue injunction remedies and may impose a requirement that the violator reimburse the town for actual attorney fees incurred in enforcing this ordinance.

#### **Section 5 – Effective Date**

This ordinance shall be effective the day after its publication or posting.

Adopted at a meeting of the Town Board this 20<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2017.

Attest:  
Pam Krauel, Clerk-Treasurer