

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
COUNTY OF WAYNE  
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

SUMMARY OF PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS AREA ORDINANCE

AMENDMENT 18 TO ORDINANCE NO. 1016

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH TO PROVIDE FOR TITLE; TO PROVIDE FOR UNLAWFUL DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY; TO PROVIDE FOR PROHIBITED USE OF PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS; TO PROVIDE FOR ANIMAL AND MOTOR VEHICLE RESTRICTIONS; TO PROVIDE FOR PARK RULES; TO PROVIDE FOR PENALTY; TO PROVIDE FOR REPEAL; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; AND TO PROVIDE FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ORDAINS:**

Amendment 18 to Ordinance No. 1016, the Parks and Playgrounds Area Ordinance, is hereby adopted to read as follows:

**SECTION I. TITLE.**

This Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the "Parks and Playgrounds Area Ordinance."

**SECTION II. ORDINANCE**

**A. Destruction of property.**

This subsection provides that it is unlawful to destroy, damage or remove any tree, shrub, wildflower or other vegetation or any publicly owned property in any public park or recreation area.

**B. Prohibited use of parks, playgrounds.**

This subsection provides that it is unlawful for any person to use, occupy, frequent, loiter or be in any public park in the township between dusk and dawn unless posted otherwise on the Township web site, unless otherwise provided by order of the Supervisor, or unless a special permit for the use or occupancy has been previously given by the Supervisor or unless the person is employed by the township.

**C. Animals and Motor Vehicles.**

This subsection provides that it is unlawful for persons to have dogs, cats, horses or mini bikes in any public park in the township, and that licensed motorcycles and other licensed motor driven vehicles are prohibited upon or across the land used for other recreational use and are only allowed upon the roadway to get to a given location or an intended recreation use within the public parks, and that such vehicles must comply with speed limits.

**D. Park Rules**

This subsection provides that the Township Board may adopt Park Rules, which shall be published on the Township web page at [www.plymouthtwp.org](http://www.plymouthtwp.org).

**SECTION III. PENALTY.**

This section provides that violation of Section II A, II B, or II C this Ordinance is a misdemeanor punishable by not more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars or imprisoned not more than Ninety (90) days, or both, in the discretion of the court, and that violation of any Park Rule (not otherwise punishable hereunder as a misdemeanor) is a municipal civil infraction punishable by payment of a fine not to exceed Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars in the discretion of the court.

**SECTION IV. REPEAL.**

This Section provides that all Ordinance or parts of Ordinance in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**SECTION V. SEVERABILITY.**

This Section provides that any unenforceable section can be severed from the rest of the Ordinance.

**SECTION VI. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

This Section provides that adoption of this Ordinance does not affect proceedings, prosecutions for violation of law, penalties and matured rights and duties in effect before the effective date of this Ordinance.

**SECTION VII. PUBLICATION.**

This section provides that the Clerk for the Charter Township of Plymouth shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

**SECTION VIII. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This section provides that this Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law.

Copies of the complete text of this Ordinance are available at the office of the Charter Township of Plymouth, 9955 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, Michigan 48170, during regular business hours.