

AN ORDINANCE PROSCRIBING REGULATIONS FOR THE USE OF PUBLIC PLAYGROUNDS AND RECREATION AREAS WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF NEWPORT AND SETTING FINES AND PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF REGULATIONS

WHEREAS, The Newport Township Board of Commissioners are desirous of proscribing regulations to protect the health, safety, welfare and morals of individuals using Newport Township and recreation areas and individuals living near said park and recreation areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it enacted and ordained by the Township of Newport, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the authority of the same as follows:

I. Definitions

A. "Township" shall refer to Newport Township.

B. Public Playgrounds/Recreation Areas shall refer to any public area within the boundaries of Newport Township used primarily for recreation and sporting events and open to the public for said uses.

II. Rules and Regulations

The following rules and regulations shall apply to all public playgrounds and recreation areas within the Township of

Newport.

A. The hours of operation for said public playgrounds and recreations areas within the Township of Newport shall be as follows:

1) June 1 through September 30 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

2) October 1 through May 31 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

No one shall be permitted within said areas at any other times.

B. The speed limit for motor vehicles shall be 5 mph within said public playground/recreation areas unless otherwise posted.

C. Possession and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages shall be prohibited regardless of the age of the possessor or consumer.

D. Littering shall be prohibited.

E. Animals are prohibited within park/recreation areas.

F. The climbing of fences shall be prohibited.

G. Motor vehicles and bicycles shall be permitted to be operated on paved areas only.

H. Mini-bikes, motor scooters, dirt-bikes and ATV vehicles are prohibited within park/recreation areas.

I. Individuals using grills must extinguish all fires and clean the grills after use.

J. Any township equipment used must be returned to the storage building after use.

III. Liability

A. In no way shall the promulgation of these rules and regulations subject the Newport Township Board of Commissioners or the Newport Township Recreation Board to liability for damage to private property of individuals utilizing said recreation areas or parks within the Township.

IV. Enforcement

The Newport Township Police Department or other designees of Newport Township shall be authorized to enforce the regulations and rules contained herein.

V. Penalties

Anyone found guilty of violating any of the rules and regulations contained herein shall be subject to a fine not to exceed three hundred (\$300.00) dollars and/or ninety (90) days in jail.

IV. Other Laws, Enactments and Ordinances

A. Nothing contained herein shall supersede any other laws, of the State and Federal government and the enactment of these rules and regulations shall not be construed to supersede any other state or federal law.

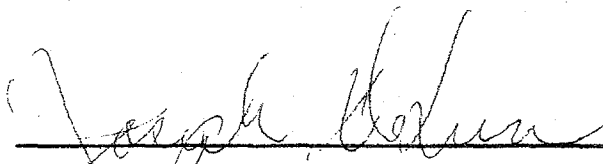
B. All township ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

VII. Severability

In the event that any section of this Ordinance shall be deemed unconstitutional or unenforceable the remaining sections shall

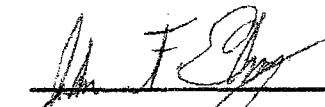
remain in full force and effect.

Duly enacted and ordained into law at a regular meeting of
the Newport Township Board of Commissioners held on this 1st day of
October , 1990.



JOSEPH DELUCA, PRESIDENT

ATTEST BY:



JOHN ELMY, SECRETARY