

Ordinance 11.14 Displaying House Numbers

THE VILLAGE BOARD OF THE VILLAGE OF PARK RIDGE DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section I. PURPOSE

For the purpose of improving the coordination of emergency medical services, fire protection, law enforcement, rescue, and other emergency services.

Section II. HOUSE NUMBERS REQUIRED

1. All buildings shall have contrasting numbers, not less than 3 inches high, placed on the exterior wall of the principal building that faces the street.
2. All commercial or industrial structures, which have a rear service door, shall identify the occupant and street address conspicuously on the rear door in contrasting and reflective letters and numbers not less than 3 inches in height, and shall continually maintain same.
3. The figures which are used to indicate the address of the structure shall be clearly distinguishable from and of contrasting color to the color and surface of the underlying structure and shall be clearly readable from the front property line. Any vegetation or other obstruction which covers the number and renders it unreadable from the street view shall be promptly trimmed or removed. Penalties for obscured numbers, after notice by the Fire Chief, shall be the same as having no number posted.

Section III. VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES

1. If the owner, occupant, or agent of any house or building fails to attach and maintain the proper number assigned to said house or building, the Fire Chief shall serve notice to the property owner requiring him to properly display his assigned number on the house or building within ten (10) days after the serving of said notice. If the property owner neglects to do so, he shall be deemed to have violated this ordinance.
2. Any person or corporation who fails to comply with any provision of this ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof, forfeit not less than one dollar (\$1.00) and not more than ten dollars (\$10.00) together with the costs of prosecution for each violation and in default of payment shall be imprisoned in the County Jail until payment of such forfeiture and costs, but not exceeding 30 days. Each day a violation exists or continues shall constitute a separate offense.

Section IV. SEVERABILITY

If any provision, clause, sentence or paragraph of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstances shall be held invalid, that invalidity shall not affect the other provisions of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are declared to be severable.

Section V. ENFORCEMENT

Enforcement of this ordinance may be by the Portage County Sheriff's Department or the Village of Park Ridge Fire Chief.

Passed and adopted by the Village Board of the Village of Park Ridge on this twentieth day of November, 2006.