

**JACKSON COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 2017-02**

**AN ORDINANCE REGULATING  
TEMPORARY CAMPGROUNDS**

**WHEREAS**, the Jackson County Board desires to provide for the health and safety of its residents and visitors and deems it necessary and appropriate to regulate persons or entities that provide entertainment or recreation by accommodating persons in house trailers, recreational vehicles or tents; and

**WHEREAS**, the Jackson County Board's authority for imposing these measures is found at §5-1059 of the Illinois Counties Code.

**THEREFORE, BE IT DECLARED AND ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:**

1. Definitions

The following definitions shall apply:

“County” shall mean the unincorporated areas of Jackson County.

“House Trailer” shall mean and include a trailer coach, house car, or camper.

“Temporary Campground” shall mean and includes in its meaning an area of land set aside for the business of providing entertainment or recreation by accommodating persons in house trailers, recreational vehicles or tents. A tract of land or two or more contiguous tracts of land which provide for permanent habitation for two months or more as a facility for mobile homes shall not be included within such definition for the purposes of this ordinance.

“Tent” shall mean a temporary structure placed and erected for the purpose of accommodating persons for overnight sleeping.

2. It shall be unlawful for any person or business to allow a person or group of persons to occupy, use, rent or lease for monetary gain any area or portion of a Temporary Campground that is located in the County without first registering with the Jackson County Health Department.

3. It is hereby made a duty of the person or business owing or controlling any Temporary Campground to maintain the site in a safe, clean, orderly and sanitary condition at all times and in accordance with the State and local health codes and this ordinance.

4. Every Temporary Campground must meet and maintain the following standards:

a. Potable Water Supply

If potable water is provided at the park, then the provision of potable water in Temporary Campgrounds shall be governed by Sections 800.400, 800.410 and 800.420 of Title 77 of the Illinois Administrative Code.

b. Refuse Containers, Collection and Disposal

Refuse containers shall be made of plastic or metal and have tight fitting lids. They shall be placed within convenient distance to all users. The park shall have a sufficient quantity of sanitary refuse storage capacity on site.

c. Emergency Care

Each Temporary Campground shall have an accessible area designed for emergency medical care and provide at least one sufficiently stocked first aid kit. The nearest hospital location shall be conspicuously posted at the site. Local emergency and park manager telephone numbers shall be conspicuously posted as well.

d. Traffic Safety and Parking

No activity in a Temporary Campground may occur within five feet of any roadway. Off road parking shall be available for all vehicles. No vehicle shall be allowed to park on any public roadway or public easement/right of way.

e. Open Fires

No open fire may be within ten feet of any building, vehicle or tent. Functional and accessible class BC or class ABC fire extinguishers shall also be provided.

f. Toilet and Hand Washing Facilities

Sufficient and sanitary toilet and hand washing facilities shall be provided in accordance with any guidance from the Jackson County Health Department.

g. Sewage Disposal Facilities

Sewage disposal and related facilities shall conform to the Jackson County Private Sewage Disposal System Ordinance; and any guidance on portable sanitation facilities provided by the Jackson County Health Department.

h. Food Service

All food service performed or provided shall conform to the Jackson County Food Service Sanitation Ordinance.

5. Any Temporary Campground, under this ordinance, shall be subject to, at any time, with or without prior notice, inspection by the county health department officials and law enforcement officials.

6. The annual registration fee shall be \$20.00; and payable to the Jackson County Health Department at the time of registration. The registration year shall run from March 1 through February of the following year. The registration shall not be prorated.

7. Registration shall be waived in the case of all publicly-owned recreational park facilities.

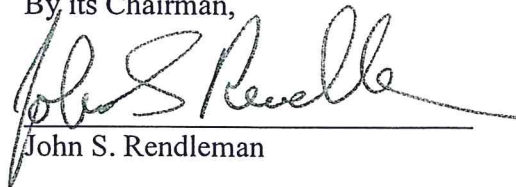
8. This ordinance shall not apply to anyone or any entity required to have a permit issued by the State of Illinois under the authority of the Illinois Campground Licensing and Recreational Area Act.

9. The State's Attorney's Office may by complaint filed in Jackson County Circuit Court pursue violations of the ordinance. Anyone or any entity determined to be in violation of any part of this ordinance shall be subject to a civil fine not to exceed \$1000. Each day shall be considered a separate offense. In lieu of the civil fines, or in combination with the fines, injunctive relief may be sought.

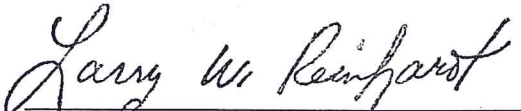
10. This ordinance shall become effective upon its adoption by the County Board.

ADOPTED THIS 21 DAY OF February, 2017.  
BY THE JACKSON COUNTY BOARD AT ITS REGULAR BOARD MEETING.

By its Chairman,

  
John S. Rendleman

ATTEST:

  
Larry W. Reinhardt, County Clerk

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