

**20.200**      **PARKS, BEACHES AND PUBLIC AREAS HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE ORDINANCE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH HAVEN, MICHIGAN**  
 ord. no. 16 eff. Apr. 20, 1984 as amend. by ord. no. 21 eff. June 18, 1990

An ordinance to establish prohibited conduct for the use of Township parks and beaches and other public access areas to the beach within the South Haven Township, Van Buren County, Michigan: to provide for the enforcement of the ordinance and to provide penalties for the violation hereof, enacted in accordance with Act 246 of the Public Acts of 1945, amending Section 3 and including and adding to Section 4 (penalties).

**THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH HAVEN ORDAINS:**

**20.201**      **Sec. 1. TITLE.**

This Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the South Haven Township Parks, Beaches and Public Areas Health, Safety and Welfare Ordinance, being South Haven Township Ordinance No. 16 as amended.  
 (ord. no. 16 eff. Apr. 20, 1984 as amend. by ord. no. 21 eff. June 18, 1990)

**20.202**      **Sec. 2. PURPOSE.**

The purpose of this Ordinance shall be to prescribe a code of conduct for all persons using South Haven Township parks, beaches and access areas.  
 (ord. no. 16 eff. Apr. 20, 1984 as amend. by ord. no. 21 eff. June 18, 1990)

**20.203**      **Sec. 3. DEFINITIONS OF PROHIBITED CONDUCT.**

The following rules shall apply to all Township parks, beaches and public access areas of South Haven Township:

- (a) No unauthorized person, persons, vehicles, or combination thereof shall be allowed within South Haven Township parks, beaches, or public access areas between sunset and sunrise.
  - (i) Except anyone authorized by the Township of South Haven in performance of their official duties.
  - (ii) Except for fishermen engaged in the legal sport of fishing during the months of February to June, Sunset to Sunrise.

(b) Leaving or causing to leave any motor vehicle (including all terrain vehicles), motorcycles, snowmobiles, camper trailers, or mobile homes in a Township beach area, public access or park area during the time the areas are closed; overnight camping is prohibited under any circumstance.

(i) The exception to this provision is contained in Ordinance No. 16, 3 (a) (i) and 3 (a) (ii), but only insofar as legally parked motor vehicles engaged in those acts as enumerated in Ordinance No. 16, 3 (a) (i) and 3 (a) (ii).

(c) Using any radio, television, loud speaker, public address system or sound amplifying equipment which is audible more than fifty (50) feet from such equipment.

(d) Use, possess, or deliver any alcoholic beverage in the aforementioned public areas.

(e) Depositing or disposing of garbage, refuse, or other waste materials in places other than receptacles designated for such materials.

(f) Bringing garbage, refuse and other waste material into the area simply for disposal in the designated receptacles; the designated receptacles are for garbage, refuse and waste, generated at the site of the Park or Beach, not for garbage, refuse and waste generated on private property.

(g) Possessing or using a glass container in any beach or water area.

(h) Operating or parking any motor vehicle or other self-propelled vehicle except on designated roadways or parking areas.

(i) Permitting any domestic animal to run at large within the areas, except guide dogs or dogs lead by a leash.

(j) If in possession and/or control of domestic animals, failing to remove animal waste dropped by domestic animals.

(k) Possessing or firing or discharging any rocket, firecracker, torpedo squib, or other fireworks or any substance of any explosive nature within the areas designated.

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**Sec. 4. PENALTIES.**

Any motor vehicle (including all terrain vehicles), motorcycles, camper trailers, or mobile homes, that shall be in violation of this Ordinance shall be subject to having the vehicle in violation of this Ordinance towed by a private towing company at the vehicle owner's expense.  
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**Sec. 5. SEVERABILITY.**

The separate provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable and if any provision or section of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions and sections of said Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.  
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**Sec. 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This Amendment to Ordinance No. 16 shall become effective thirty (30) days after publication pursuant to law.  
(ord. no. 16 eff. Apr. 20, 1984 as amend. by ord. no. 21 eff. June 18, 1990)

Publication Date: May 18, 1990

Effective Date: June 18, 1990