

ORDINANCE NO. 2010 - 01

COVINGTON TOWNSHIP

LACKAWANNA COUNTY

**PARKING ORDINANCE**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF COVINGTON, LACKAWANNA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, PROVIDING FOR THE REGULATION OF STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING VEHICLES ON HIGHWAYS, ROADS AND STREETS IN THE TOWNSHIP OF COVINGTON, PROVIDING THE PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF, TO BE KNOWN AS THE PARKING ORDINANCE OF COVINGTON TOWNSHIP.

NOW THEREFORE, under the authority of §2328 (53 P.S. §67328) of the Second Class Township Code, the Board of Supervisors hereby make the following rules and regulations on parking in the Township and impose the described penalties for the violation of these rules and regulations.

I. GENERAL PARKING REGULATIONS

1. These rules and regulations are in addition to, and complement, the statutes on parking in the Vehicle Code of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

2. The following rules are established to help with snow removal.

a. No person shall stop, stand or park a vehicle on any road, street or public right-of-way in the Township between the dates of November 15<sup>th</sup> to March 15<sup>th</sup>.

b. No person shall throw, shovel or otherwise move, pile or dump snow or ice removed from sidewalks, driveways or other areas into roads, streets or rights-of-way of the Township.

3. No person shall stop, stand or park any vehicle on any road, street or public right-of-way of the Township which creates a safety hazard or obstructs the free flow of traffic.

4. No person shall stop, stand or park any vehicle on public or private property which is marked or posted as a fire lane.

5. No person shall stop, stand or park any vehicle within 30 feet upon the approach to a sign warning of the possible presence of a person with a hearing or sight disability in the vicinity of the roadway.

6. No person shall park or leave unattended a vehicle on the private property of the North Pocono School District in the Township provided that the private parking lots of the School District are posted to notify the public of any parking restrictions and the operator of the vehicle violates such parking restrictions.

7. Construction vehicles being used for the purpose of road construction are permitted to park, stand or stop on any road, street or public right-of-way in the Township when construction is in progress provided appropriate safety measures are used.

8. No vehicle may be parked at any time where signs or notices are posted prohibiting or limiting parking. This includes areas posted temporarily as no parking zones.

9. Any vehicle in violation of any part of this ordinance may be towed or removed. The owner or driver of the vehicle shall be responsible for paying for the towing or removal and for any storage costs.

10. Any individual or the owner of any vehicle who parks in violation of these general parking regulations shall pay the fine listed in Exhibit A to this ordinance.

## II. HANDICAP PARKING REGULATIONS

1. The Covington Township Planning Commission has the authority to require the placement of handicapped parking areas under the provisions of the Covington Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance.

2. Any person may petition the Board of Supervisors to designate areas for handicapped parking or for severely disabled veteran parking. The petition will be in writing and will be submitted to the Township Zoning Officer for review and presentation to the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall act on the petition by motion.

3. The person or persons required by the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance to designate handicapped or severely disabled veteran parking areas for handicapped parking or for severely disabled veteran parking spaces, or the person or persons petitioning the Board of Supervisors to designate such parking spaces, shall pay for the signs and the installation of the signs to so designate those areas.

4. Any individual or the owner of any vehicle that is parked in an area designated for handicapped persons or severely disabled veterans, which is not authorized to park in these areas, shall pay the fine listed in Exhibit A to this ordinance.



The provisions of this Ordinance are severable. If any paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance shall be held illegal, invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision of the court shall not affect or impair the remaining paragraphs, sentences, clauses, or phrases of this ordinance. It is hereby declared as the intent of the Board of Supervisors that this Ordinance would have been adopted had such invalid or unconstitutional paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase not been included herein.

Furthermore, it is the intent of this Ordinance to be supplementary to and not contrary to any laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or regulations of any of its executive agencies.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances that are inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after enactment.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED into law by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Covington this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
TOWNSHIP OF COVINGTON  
LACKAWANNA COUNTY

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THOMAS M. YERKE, Chairman

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ATTEST:

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CHARLES LINDNER, Supervisor

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KATE TIERNEY, Secretary

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JOHN BROSTOSKI, Supervisor

EXHIBIT A  
SCHEDULE OF FINES

	<u>FINE</u>
1. Stopping, standing or parking between November 15 <sup>th</sup> and March 15 <sup>th</sup>	\$20.00
2. Throwing or dumping snow on Township roads	\$15.00
3. Parking which creates a safety hazard or obstructs traffic flow	\$15.00
4. Parking in a fire lane	\$20.00
5. Parking within 30 feet of sign warning of persons with disabilities	\$15.00
6. Parking in violation of the North Pocono School District parking restrictions	\$15.00
7. Parking where signs prohibit or limit parking	\$20.00
8. Parking in a handicap zone when not authorized	\$50.00