

**VILLAGE OF LAKEWOOD CLUB  
COUNTY OF MUSKEGON  
STATE OF MICHIGAN**

Village Ordinance No. 43

**SHORT TITLE: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 403 OF THE VILLAGE OF LAKEWOOD CLUBS ZONING ORDINANCE BY ADDING NEW SUBSECTION (23) TO PROHIBIT TENTS, TRAVEL TRAILERS AND MOTORCOACHES FROM BEING USED AND OCCUPIED AS DWELLINGS**

THE VILLAGE OF LAKEWOOD CLUB ORDAINS:

**A. PURPOSE:**

The Village of Lakewood Club enacts this ordinance to secure the public peace, health, safety and welfare of the residents and property owners of the Village of Lakewood Club, Muskegon County, Michigan. The purpose of the ordinance is designed to regulate and limit the use and occupancy of tents, travel trailers and motor coaches as places of dwelling or residency within the Village limits to protect the property values of the village, the aesthetic value of the Village and the overall health and welfare of the Village residents.

**B. DEFINITIONS:**

As used in this subsection:

1. Dwelling:  
A building or place used as the residence or sleeping place for one or more persons for a period exceeding seven days in a month.
2. Tent:  
Any fabric, tarp or temporary structure that is used for sleeping purposes or as a shelter utilized as a temporary form of housing.
3. Trailer:  
A structure, standing on wheels, towed or hauled by another vehicle and used for short term occupation, carrying materials, goods or objects or for use as a temporary office.
4. Motor Coaches:  
Any structure with a single or double axle that can be moved or driven from one site to another.
5. Inhabited:  
Having inhabitants, such as a permanent resident in a place, as distinguished from a transient lodger or visitor.
6. Adjoining:  
In actual contact; touching, bordering. Amended July 27, 2015
7. Domicile:  
A place of residence; a permanent dwelling place. Amended July 27, 2015

**C. REGULATIONS:**

THEREFORE, the Village restricts occupying Tents, Trailers or Motor Coaches within the village limits as follows:

1. A. Occupying Tents, Trailers or Motor Coaches is only allowed for 14 days within a twelve month period on residential property that has a domicile equipped with running water, toilet, bathing facilities, and trash removal service.
- B. Occupying Tents, Trailers or Motor Coaches may be permitted on vacant residential property, provided:
  - i. The vacant property is adjoining to residential property having a domicile equipped with running water, toilet, bathing facilities, and trash removal service , and
  - ii. The owner of the vacant property is the same owner as the adjoining domiciled property. Amended July 27, 2015
2. Tent, Trailer or Motor Coaches may be allowed on residential private property as stated in C1. Amended July 27, 2015
3. No person shall park or cause to be parked, any trailer, tent or motor coach overnight on any street, alley, highway or other public right of way or public area of the Village of Lakewood Club.

**D. PENALTIES:**

Any person, owner, resident, occupant, firm or corporation who violates any provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof be subject to a fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) and not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) and/or up to ninety-three (93) days in jail. The continued violated of any provision of this ordinance shall be deemed to constitute a separate offense each and every day such violation shall continue.

**E. SEVERABILITY:**

The various parts, sentences, paragraphs, sections, and clauses of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section, or clause of this ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court or administrative agency of competent jurisdiction, the unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect the constitutionality or validity of any remaining provisions of this ordinance.

**F. EFFECTIVE DATE:**

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon publication.

Wendy Bloem Clerk  
Village of Lakewood Club

Amended: July 27, 2015  
 Amended: October 25, 2010  
 Published: October 31, 2010  
 Effective Date: October 31, 2010