

LYON TOWNSHIP
ROSCOMMON COUNTY, MICHIGAN

ORDINANCE NUMBER 47

ADOPTED: November 28, 2000

HOUSE NUMBER DISPLAY

An ordinance to provide for the establishment, control, and regulation of street numbering display within Lyon Township, to provide for penalties for the violation of this Ordinance and to repeal any Township ordinance or parts of Township ordinances in direct conflict herein.

The Lyon Township Board has determined that the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Lyon Township would be served by the establishment of a uniform township-wide street house display system. Such system will enable police agencies, ambulance services, fire services, public utilities, postal service, township officials, and necessary services to more rapidly identify and locate properties within Lyon Township.

PURPOSE AND INTENT

The purpose of this Ordinance is to establish a system within Lyon Township whereby the addresses of all premises will be identified and to ordain rules and guidelines to facilitate enforcement thereof.

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SECTION 1

TITLE

This ordinance shall be known and cited as Lyon Township House Number Display.

SECTION 2

DEFINITIONS

The following terms used in this ordinance are as follows:

- a. The term "premises" shall mean any lot or parcel of land owned by any person, firm or corporation, public or private, improved with buildings, whether occupied or not.
- b. The term "house number" shall mean the official number assigned that premises by Consumers Energy Company and recognized by the Roscommon County 911 Central Dispatch governing board.

- c. The term “interested party” shall refer to the emergency services, owner, and occupant, building department, public utilities or any other governmental agency.
- d. The term “street or road name” shall refer to any official name as recognized by government authority. No such named street or road shall be changed without the approval of the Lyon Township Board, Roscommon County Road Commission. The Roscommon County 911 Central Dispatch governing board and Consumers Energy Company.

SECTION 3

REGULATIONS

- a. All premises shall bear the distinctive street number assigned to that premises by Consumers Energy Company and recognized by the Roscommon County 911 Central Dispatch governing board.
- b.
 - i. All houses shall display upon the front of each dwelling the distinctive street number assigned to that premise. The number shall be placed in such a position as to be plainly visible to that premise from both directions. These shall be no less than five (5) inches in height.
 - ii. If a dwelling is more than 50 feet from the street or is not clearly visible from the road, every owner of a premise shall place or display adjacent to the road on which the property fronts a sign attached to a fence or post those distinctive street numbers assigned to that premise. These numbers shall be not less than three (3) inches in heights and made of reflective material. The sign must be placed at a height to assure it does not become obscured by winter snows or snow plowing.
 - iii. All house numbers shall be in either block or script style letters and shall be in contrasting colors to their backgrounds whether on the dwelling or on a sign at the road.
- c. House numbers placed on a mailbox shall be of a contrasting color to their background, and shall not be less than one (1) inch in height. Block or script style numbers displayed on building fronts shall be of a contrasting color to their background, and shall be no less than five (5) inches in height. Numbers displayed on the street in front of a premise within 50 feet of the street shall be in either block or script style, and be not less than four (4) inches in height.

SECTION 4

VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES

Any person who violates any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed to be responsible for a Municipal Civil Infraction as defined by Michigan statute, punishable by a civil fine determined in accordance with the schedule:

	<u>Minimum Fine</u>
1 st offense within a 3-year period*	\$ 50.00
2 nd offense within a 3-year period*	\$125.00
3 rd offense within a 3-year period*	\$250.00
4 th or subsequent offense in a three-year period*	\$400.00

*Determined on the basis of the date of commission of the offense(s).

Additionally, the violator shall pay costs which may include all expenses, direct and indirect, to which Lyon Township has been put in connection with the Municipal Civic Infraction.

In addition, any violation of this ordinance is hereby declared to be a public nuisance per se which may be abated in Circuit Court in lieu of or in addition to other civil infractions.

Each day that a violation exists shall constitute a separate offense for enforcement purposes.

SECTION 5

SEVERABILITY

The provision of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable and if any clause, sentence, word, section or provision is declared void or unenforceable for any reason by a court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect any other portion of this ordinance.

SECTION 6

REPEAL

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 7

EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect 30-days after publication as required by law.