

DELAWARE TOWNSHIP
ORDINANCE #III
ORDINANCE REGULATING STREET SIGNS AND HOUSE NUMBER SIGNS

- A. The purpose of this Section is to enhance public safety and security and to protect health; safety and welfare by heighten the ability of emergency responders to locate dwellings and other structures in the Township. This Section:
- i. Provides authority to the Township Supervisors to assign road names to all public and private streets and roads in the Township to eliminate duplicates and confusion.
 - ii. Require conformance to the street addressing system by Pike County for the 911 Emergency Call System.
 - iii. Establish a uniform system for street names and house number signs.
- B. Street Names
- i. All public and private streets, driveways and access roads in the Township which serve two (2) or more principal structures shall be named and posted with the street sign name in accordance with this section.
 - ii. The Board of Supervisors shall have the sole authority to assign names to all public and private streets and driveways and access roads in the Township and to change such names if deemed necessary. In the case of new subdivisions and land developments, road names shall be included on the plans pursuant to the Delaware Township Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance.
 - iii. No sign shall be posted on any public or private street, driveway or access road unless previously approved by the Township in order to avoid duplication or substantially similar names.
- C. Street Addresses
- i. All street addresses shall conform to the street addressing system established by Pike County for the 911 Emergency Call System, and all occupied structures shall have a street number sign conforming to this Ordinance.
- D. Street Name Signs/House Number Signs. -The street name sign standards are intended to conform to the recommendations of the National Committee of Uniform Traffic Control Devices and exceed PennDot requirements.
- i. It shall be the responsibility of the owner or whoever is responsible for the maintenance of any street to install and maintain a street name sign, which conforms to the requirements herein.

- ii. It shall be the responsibility of the owner of any occupied structure to install and maintain a house number sign which conforms to the requirements herein.
- iii. All street name sign blades shall be a minimum of six (6) inches high and long enough to contain the street name.
- iv. All street name signs shall have a background (which may be any color but shall distinctly contrast with the lettering color) which shall be made of a reflective material a minimum of four (4) inches high in plain blocked uppercase font.
- v. Sign posts, post foundations and sign mounting shall be constructed to hold signs in a proper and prominent position and to resist wind and vandalism. Whenever a private road intersects a public road sign posts shall, at a minimum, meet the standards of the most current PennDot publication. Fused, concrete bases shall be flush with the ground. No trees shall be used as sign posts.
- vi. There shall be street name signs at all intersections. Obstructions shall be removed to permit the sign to be visible for a distance of not less than two hundred and fifty (250) feet from the intersection in all directions of travel where a public road is involved and one hundred and fifty (150) feet where only a private road is involved.
- vii. The bottom of the sign blade shall be no less than six (6) feet and no more than eight (8) feet above the edge of the street. The post shall generally be offset six (6) feet from the edge of the road.
- viii. All principal structures shall have a house number sign containing the address assigned by Pike County for the 911 Emergency Call System.
- ix. All house number sign blades shall be a minimum of four (4) inches and a maximum of twelve (12) inches in height or width and the lettering shall be a minimum of three (3) inches high in reflective material in contrast to the background color of the sign.
- x. Obstructions (including snow) shall be removed, whenever possible, to permit the sign to be visible for a distance of not less than fifty (50) feet from the sign in both directions.
- xi. House number signs may be mounted flat on the wall of the principal structure facing the addressed street or no more than fifty (50) feet from the edge of the street shoulder, whichever is closer to the street, and plainly visible from the addressed street.
- xii. The bottom of the house number sign shall be between two (2) and eight (8) feet from the ground elevation where the sign is mounted.

M. A violation of this Ordinance shall constitute a Summary Offense and any person who violates this Ordinance shall, upon conviction, before a District Justice be subject to a fine of up to one thousand (\$1000.00) dollars. Any person who fails to pay the fine will be subject to a jail sentence of up to thirty (30) days. Each day of violation shall constitute a separate violation. In addition to fines and penalties as set forth herein, the Township may enforce this Ordinance by equitable injunctive and other remedies at law, and shall recover from the violators reasonable attorneys' fees, court costs and other costs incurred by the Township in enforcing this Ordinance.

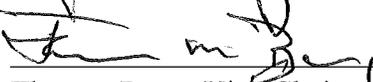
This Amendment to Ordinance 111 shall be effective immediately.

Adopted this 14 day of September, 2016.

DELAWARE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



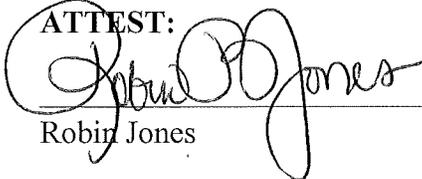
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