

Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_

VILLAGE OF RIDGEWAY

The Village Board of the Village of Ridgeway, Iowa County, Wisconsin, do ordain that section 10.08 of the Village of Ridgeway Code of Ordinances be amended to read as follows:

**10.08 BURNING RESTRICTED.**

(1) Fires Regulated. No person shall kindle any fire within the Village without first securing a written burn permit from the Village Clerk or Deputy Clerk. The Village Clerk or Deputy Clerk may issue such permit subject to any conditions he/she deems necessary for the protection of life and property.

- a. A permit is not required under this section for barbecue, gas and charcoal grills, or campfires. A campfire means a small outdoor fire where the burning materials are completely located within a maximum 30-inch circumference fire pit, and is intended for recreation or cooking. A campfire does not include a fire intended for disposal of waste wood or refuse.

(2) Trash Burning Restricted. No person shall kindle or cause to be kindled any fire in or upon any street, alley, public way, park or any public or private property within the Village within 15 feet of any building or within 10 feet of any property line or within any fire lane unless confined within a refuse burner, basket or metal enclosure with a metal cover attached to prevent the escape of sparks and burning material and unless so authorized by the Village Clerk or Deputy Clerk. No such permit shall be valid after December 31<sup>st</sup> of the year it is issued.

(3) In addition to any conditions imposed by the Village, anyone issued a burn permit under subsections (1) or (2) must comply with all of the following requirements.

- a. Fires shall be conducted in a safe nuisance free manner, when wind and weather conditions are such as to minimize adverse effects and not create a health hazard or a visibility hazard on roadways, railroads or airfields.
- b. Fires shall be burned in conformance with all local and state fire protection regulations.
- c. No fires shall be allowed during periods when the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources has issued a burning ban applicable to the area.

- d. Fires shall be located only on the property on which the materials were generated or at a facility approved by the Department of Natural Resources and the Village.
- e. Fires set for forest or wildlife habitat management must receive approval from the Department of Natural Resources.
- f. Fires shall only be allowed from the hours of noon and 6:00 PM.
- g. Fires shall be constantly attended and supervised by a competent person of at least eighteen (18) years of age until the fire is extinguished and is cold. The person shall have readily available for use such fire extinguishing equipment as may be necessary for the total control of the fire.
- h. No fires are allowed within 25 feet from any combustible material, combustible wall or partition, exterior window opening, exit access or exit unless authorized by the Village.

Adopted the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

APPROVED:

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Village President

ATTEST:

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Village Clerk