

number of spaces required.

(iii.) *Industrial.* One parking space required for each 600 square feet, or fraction thereof of gross floor space, or for each employee on a maximum working shift, whichever produces the greater number of spaces required.

(iv.) *Places of public assembly.* One parking space for each five seats.

(b.) *Required loading and unloading spaces.* There shall be provided and maintained on all property, the use of which requires the receipt or distribution by vehicle of materials and/or merchandise, adequate offstreet loading and unloading space. Any use of public streets or other public ways for loading or unloading purposes shall be deemed to be a violation of this ordinance.

Sec. 24. Plat violations.

No building permits, special land use permits, variances or other actions allowing any use or structure in any zoning district shall be issued where there reasonably appears to be a violation of the Subdivision Control Act of 1967 now Land Division Act (P.A. 288 of 1967, as amended).

Sec. 25. Interpretation as minimum requirements.

The general regulations set forth in this article and other provisions of this ordinance are determined to be the minimum requirements for the promotion of the purposes set forth in this ordinance and for the maintenance of the safety, health and welfare of the residents and citizens of Egelston Township.

Sec. 26. Animal density.

No animals may be kept in Egelston Township except in accordance with this section:

(A.) *Wild and normally wild animals.* Wild and normally wild animals may only be kept in the township if licensed by the department of natural resources and in no event shall such animal species be kept in numbers or locations which exceed the density or location requirements of this ordinance for comparable domestic animals.

(B.) *Domestic animals-density.*

(1.) [*Horses, ponies, mules and other equine species.*] Horses, ponies, mules, and other equine species shall require at least two acres and with a width of 150 feet measured, between the side property lines on a property where two or less animals are kept. For each additional animal maintained on the property there shall be one additional one-half acre of area. In addition, such animals shall be confined so that they never are located closer than 300 feet from an active school property line or a residential subdivision property line.

(2.) *Livestock, including cattle, dairy stock, sheep, goats, hogs, and pigs.* Livestock, including but not limited to cattle, dairy stock, sheep, goats, hogs, and pigs may not be kept in any

zone except agricultural, R-5. Except for hogs and pigs, livestock shall be kept and maintained in a land area of not less than five acres per animal. Hogs and pigs shall be kept in pens with sufficient land area to meet industry, agricultural and health standards.

- (3.) *Dogs and cats.* No more than three dogs and three cats may be kept on any premises in the township, unless the occupant has a special use permit to operate a kennel.
- (4.) *Poultry, ducks, geese, fowl, except ornamental birds, fur bearers, rabbits, except dogs or cats.* Except in the R-5 zone, no more than ten animals or fowl may be kept on any premises. They shall be housed in enclosures adequately maintained in accordance with commercial or governmental health standards.
- (5.) *Snakes, amphibians, exotic species.* Snakes, amphibians, lizards and other exotic species are wild animals and are not permitted to be kept in the township without licensing from the department of natural resources of the State of Michigan. No snakes or amphibians of the size and type dangerous to humans, whether or not kept as household pets or domestic animals, shall be kept in the township regardless of the enclosure used.
- (6.) *Miniature animals.* All miniature animals such as miniature pigs, goats, horses, cows and any other miniature animal shall not be maintained on any property in numbers not more than one per household. All such miniature animals shall be required to be maintained on a leash whenever they are taken off the premises or when they are not confined on the premises. All state health requirements for maintenance of any animal shall pertain to the maintenance of miniature animals. No animal shall be considered a miniature animal unless the person who is in possession or ownership of the animal produces certification by a veterinarian that the animal is a dwarf of miniature nature of a species.

(C.) *Setbacks and enclosures.*

- (1.) *General.* All domestic animals shall be in enclosures with fencing designed to restrain and prevent the species involved from escaping, which fencing or enclosures shall be kept in good repair. Pigs and hogs shall be restrained in pens which are at least 100 feet from any property line.
- (2.) *Setbacks from water supplies and dwellings.*
 - (a.) Horses, ponies, mules, equine species, livestock of any description, pigs or hogs, shall be kept in field or areas where the enclosure limit fences are at least 150 feet from any human water supply or dwellings.
 - (b.) Poultry, ducks, geese and other fowl shall be kept in enclosures, the limits of which are at least 100 feet from any human water supply or dwelling.
 - (c.) Fur bearing animals, rabbits and similar species shall be kept in enclosures or pens which are at least 25 feet from any human water supply or dwelling.

(D.) *Other provisions.*

- (1.) *[Proper zoning.]* This section does not authorize the commercial raising or maintaining or displaying of animals unless the zoning therefor is proper.
- (2.) *[Special land use.]* In the event raising of animals is allowed as a special land use, then the density requirements for the same shall be determined by the planning commission in connection with the permit to be issued or allowance granted, and the density requirements in this section shall not apply.
- (3.) *Nuisance.* Any noise, animal litter and waste products, dead or sick animals or vicious animals are declared nuisances and shall not be kept in the township. Failure to dispose of same shall constitute a violation of this ordinance and shall subject the owner or occupant of the premises to prosecution and the nuisance shall be abated.

Sec. 27. Fences.

Fences are permitted in all zoning districts subject to the following conditions:

A. *Nonindustrial zoning districts.*

1. *Front yards.*
 - a. Fences within front yards shall not exceed four feet in height.
2. *Side and rear yards.*
 - a. Fences within side and rear yards shall not exceed six feet in height.

B. *Industrial zoning districts.*

1. Fences shall not exceed ten feet in height.
2. Fences erected to screen a junk or salvage yard, or as may be required elsewhere in this ordinance, or as may be a condition of site plan, special use or PUD approval, shall be completely solid or opaque.

C. *Materials and appearance.*

1. It shall be unlawful to erect a fence consisting or constructed of tires, vehicle or motor vehicle component parts, tree stumps, rotting lumber or any materials capable of providing habitat or harborage for pests or vermin. It shall also be unlawful to erect a fence constructed or consisting of rubbish or trash as defined by article II, sections 1(B) and 1(C), of the Egelston Township garbage, rubbish and trash ordinance.
2. Barbed and electric wire fences are permitted in the R-5 zoning district only.