

VILLAGE OF CAMDEN

ORDINANCE TO ENFORCE CURFEW RESTRICTIONS AND HOURS

ORDINANCE NO. 07-07

Definition: As used in this section, "public place" means any street, highway, alley, park, public building or place of business or assembly open to or frequented by the public, or any other place to which the public has access.

Restrictions: A minor under 12 years of age shall not loiter, idle, congregate or otherwise be in a public place between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.; a minor under 15 years of age shall not loiter, idle, congregate or otherwise be in a public place between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.; a minor under 17 years of age shall not loiter, idle, congregate or otherwise be in a public place between the hours of 12:00 midnight and 6:00 a.m.

Parental Responsibility: No parent, guardian or adult person at least 21 years of age having custody of or being designated to accompany any minor child under the age of 17 years shall allow or permit such minor child, while in his or her custody or company, to go, or be, in or upon any of the streets, alleys, public places or places open to the public of or within the city at any prohibited time, unless such minor child is under the direct supervision and in the company of said parent, guardian or an adult person at least 21 years of age who is designated to accompany him or her, or is otherwise acting under and pursuant to the express direction of said parent, guardian or adult person.

Exemptions: This article does not apply to a minor child on any of the streets, alleys, public places or places open to the public of or within the city where the minor is:

1. Accompanied by the minor's parent or guardian or any other person 21 years or older authorized by a parent to be the caretaker for the minor;
2. On an errand at the direction of the minor's parent, guardian or caretaker without any detour or stop;
3. In a vehicle involved in interstate travel;
4. Engaged in certain employment activity, or going to or from employment, without any detour or stop;
5. Involved in an emergency;
6. On the sidewalk that abuts the minor's or the next-door neighbor's residence, if the neighbor has not complained to the police;
7. In attendance at an official school, religious, or other recreational activity sponsored by the city, a civic organization, or another similar entity that takes responsibility for the minor; or going to or from, without any detour or stop, such as activity supervised by adults;
8. Exercising First Amendment rights, including free exercise of religion, freedom of speech, and the right of assembly.

Enforcement: A Loitering Ticket will be issued through the courts.

Penalty: First offense would be a verbal warning. Any further occurrence would be a \$100.00 fine.

Marilyn Koebbe

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Village Clerk

Dated: 11-19-2007

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