

**HEATH TOWNSHIP  
ALLEGAN COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
ORDINANCE NO. 82**

The Heath Township Board has adopted Ord. #82, An Ordinance to Amend the Heath Township Zoning Ordinance.

The effect of the ordinance is to allow the permitting of campgrounds and similar uses in the AG, R-1 and C-1 Districts to clarify rules for the same as pertains to the SGA State Game Area District, to include definitions relating thereto, and to make miscellaneous amendments addressing prior text errors and omissions:

**Ordinance summary:**

**SECTION I. Definitions.** Section 3.02 General Definitions is amended to include the following terms and their meanings: "Campground", "Modern campground" "Primitive campground", "Recreational unit" "Camping cabin", and "Seasonally sited recreational unit".

**SECTION II. "Permitted Uses" In the Ag District.** Section 5.02 (f) is amended by adding: "(f) Athletic grounds, parks and cemeteries"

**SECTION III. "Authorized Special Land Uses" in the AG District.** Section 5.03 is amended by adding "outdoor events" and "Campgrounds, recreation vehicles parks and educational or religious camps and retreats" as authorized Special Land Uses.

**SECTION IV. "Authorized Special Land Uses" in the R-1 District.** Section 6.03 is amended by adding "golf courses" and various other outdoor recreation facilities, "agricultural tourism activities", "events and attractions" and "campgrounds, recreation vehicles parks and educational or religious camps and retreats." as an authorized Special Land Uses.

**SECTION V. "Authorized Special Land Uses" in the C-1 District.** Section 11.03 is amended by adding campgrounds, recreation vehicles parks and educational or religious camps and retreats." as an authorized Special Land Use.

**SECTION VI. "Authorized Special Land Uses" in the SGA "State Game Area District.** Section 15.03 is amended by amending existing Sub-Section 15.03 (d) and adding sub-Section 15.03(i) to include "campgrounds, recreation vehicles parks and educational or religious camps and retreats." as an authorized Special Land Use. Section 15.03(d) shall be amended to read: (d) Trails for hiking, horseback riding, bicycling, cross country skiing. New Section 15.03 (i) reads as follows: "(i) Campgrounds, recreation vehicles parks and educational or religious camps and retreats."

**SECTION VII. Section 16.30 "Golf Courses, Archery and Firearm Shooting Ranges, Motorized Sports and Other Outdoor Recreational Facilities".** The Title of this section is amended to include "Outdoor Recreational and Event Facilities" and to exclude "Campgrounds, Recreation Vehicle Parks and Educational and Religious Camps and Retreats" which will be regulated by alternate provisions.

**SECTION VIII. Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances and Effective Date.** The foregoing amendments to the zoning ordinance were approved and adopted by the Township Board on December 10, 2012. This ordinance takes effect 8 days following publication of this notice and summary pursuant to the Michigan Zoning Enabling Act, Michigan Public Act 110 of 2006 as amended. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed.

The complete text of the amendments may be inspected or purchased at the Heath Township Hall located at 3440 M-40, Hamilton, Michigan during normal business hours.

Comment [SM1]: