

HOWELL TOWNSHIP  
NOTICE OF AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE

Public notice is hereby given that the following Text Amendment was adopted by the Howell Township Board on August 23, 2010

**OUTDOOR FREESTANDING FURNACES AND BOILERS. Section 14.54**

A. An outdoor freestanding furnace or boiler is defined as a furnace, stove, boiler or any other similar type of solid or liquid material burning device which is constructed or installed outdoors on a lot or parcel for the purpose of transmitting dry heat or heated liquids produced by them over extended periods of time from it to buildings or other structures located on the same lot or parcel.

B. The Applicant shall submit a Site Plan showing the location of the proposed outdoor furnace or boiler structure on the site and all existing or planned buildings and structures located or to be located on the site and the required side and rear yard setbacks of the lot or parcel and those of all properties adjacent to the rear yard of the Applicants lot or parcel.

**C. Spacing and Setback Requirements**

The furnace, stove or boiler shall be located in the rear yard or a lot or parcel upon which it is located and be at least ten (10) feet from all onsite buildings.

Outdoor Furnaces, Stoves or Boilers shall be located at least one hundred fifty (150) feet from the side yard and rear yard setback requirements of the adjacent properties.

Furnaces, Stoves or Boilers shall be located at least the required setbacks from the side and rear property lines upon which they are located.

**D. Limitations on Types of Fuels to be Used in Outdoor Furnaces, Stoves or Boilers**

Outdoor furnaces, stoves or boilers shall only burn seasoned firewood, processed liquid fuels, dried corn cobs and stalks and other biomass burnable materials which have been specifically processed and designed to be burned in them.

In no case shall the burning of trash, burnable household and yard materials and other burnable materials not specifically designed to be burned in any outdoor furnace, stove or boiler be permitted to be used in them.

E. An area surrounding the furnace or boiler shall be kept clear of all types of burnable materials for a distance of at least five (5) feet in all directions.

F. The Applicant shall submit evidence that the proposed installation of the outdoor furnace or boiler will comply with the manufacturer's specifications with particular reference of the specific fuels to be burned in the model of outdoor furnace, stove or boiler to be constructed or installed in accordance with the Site Plan as presented for consideration and approval.

G. The plans for each installation of an outdoor furnace or boiler on a lot or parcel shall be reviewed by the County Construction Code Administrator and the Township Fire Marshall for compliance with their respective regulations with the reports of the County Construction Code Administrator and the Township Fire Marshall submitted to the Township.

H. When the use of fuel produces discernable smoke, odor or fly ash, as determined by a reasonable person, that impact adjoining properties the Township may impose any additional requirements, such as extending the height of a chimney to mitigate any objectionable effects.

All information regarding the text amendments may be requested or purchased at the Howell Township Hall, 3525 Byron Road, Howell, MI 48855–(517) 546-2817, Monday through Thursday between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. The aforementioned text amendments shall become effective 7 days after publication.

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Howell Township Clerk

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