

SECTION 304. ENFORCEMENT

304.1 RESPONSIBILITY.

The Zoning Administrator shall enforce the provisions of this Ordinance.

304.2 VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES.

Violations of any provision of this Ordinance are declared to be a nuisance per se. Any and all building or land use activities which are considered to be possible violations of the provisions of this Ordinance, and which are observed by or communicated to a Township Official or employee, shall be reported to the Zoning Administrator. A complaint of violation shall be made in writing stating the causes and basis of the complaint. The complaint is to be filed with the Zoning Administrator for investigation.

- A. **Inspection of Violation.** The Zoning Administrator shall inspect each alleged violation he or she observes or is made aware of and shall order correction, in writing, of all conditions found to be in violation of this Ordinance.
- B. **Correction Period.** All violations shall be corrected within a reasonable time period determined by the Zoning Administrator, but not to exceed thirty (30) days.
- C. ~~**Action by Township Attorney.** A violation not corrected within this period shall be reported to the Township Attorney, who shall initiate procedures to eliminate such violation. Once a violation has been referred to the Township Attorney, any legal action which the Attorney deems necessary to restore compliance with all terms and conditions of this Ordinance is hereby authorized.~~
Action by Township Attorney. The Township may seek injunctive relief through Circuit Court to abate any violations not corrected within the thirty day correction period. Any violation of this Ordinance shall constitute a nuisance per se. *Amended 5.20.2013*
- D. ~~**Penalties.** For each day that a violation continues beyond the correction period, a separate offense shall be declared. Any violator of the provisions of this ordinance shall be considered guilty of maintaining a nuisance per se. The penalties for such violations per day will be established by the Lake Township Board, in a Standard Fee and Penalty Schedule.~~

Penalty. Any person, firm or corporation who violates any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be responsible for a municipal civil infraction, subject to a payment of a civil fine of not less than Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars nor more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars, plus costs and other sanctions, for each infraction. Repeat offenses under this Ordinance shall be subject to increased fines as provided for in the Lake

Township Civil Infraction Ordinance. Each day that a violation continues beyond the correction period shall constitute a new and separate offense. The imposition of any penalty shall not exempt the offender from compliance with the requirements of this Ordinance. *Amended 5.20.2013*

- E. **Cumulative Rights and Remedies.** The rights and remedies provided herein are cumulative and in addition to any other remedies provided by law.

304.3 CONFLICTING REGULATIONS.

In the interpretation, application, and enforcement of the provisions of this Ordinance, whenever any of the provisions or limitations imposed or required by this Ordinance are more stringent than any other law or Ordinance, then the provisions of this Ordinance shall govern, PROVIDED also that whenever the provisions of any other law or Ordinance impose more stringent requirements than are imposed or required by this Ordinance, the provisions of such other law or Ordinance shall govern.