

**Golden Township Exhibition Driving Ordinance
Ordinance No. 35**

The Township of Golden, Oceana County, Michigan Ordains:

Section I

Title

This ordinance shall be known and cited as the Township Exhibition Driving ordinance.

Section II

Definitions

A.) “Exhibition Driving” is the driving of a motor vehicle so to cause the vehicle to start, stop, accelerate, decelerate, or turn at an unnecessary rate of speed, or to cause tires to skid, squeal, peel, burn or smoke, or to cause the vehicle to rapidly accelerate due to a start in which braking is applied and then suddenly released, or to cause the vehicle to fishtail (cause the rear portion of the vehicle to Sway or swing from side to side), or to emit any unreasonably loud or raucous or disturbing or unnecessary noise from the engine or exhaust system, or to cause gears to grind or soil to be thrown, or to cause the engine to backfire, or to cause the front wheel or wheels to leave the ground.

B.) “Motor Vehicle” is any and every vehicle that is self-propelled.

C.) “Racetrack” is any actual track upon which motorized vehicles legally compete in a race or timed contest for an audience, the members of which have directly or indirectly paid a consideration for admission. “Racetrack does not include any part of the premises or property not used for a race or timed competition in the normal course of business.

Section III

Exhibition Driving Regulation

It is unlawful for any person to do any exhibition driving on any street, parking lot, or any other public or private property.

Section IV

Exceptions

This Ordinance shall not apply to a vehicle driven in a manner such as is defined above as “exhibition driving” in the event an emergency creates necessity for such operation to prevent injury to persons or damage to property, and shall not apply to exhibition driving done on an licensed racetrack.

Section V

Validity.

The several provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be separate; if any competent Court of Law shall hold that any section or provision thereof is invalid, such holding shall not effect or impair the validity of any other section or provision of this Ordinance.

Section VI

Penalties

Any person, firm or corporation found violating the provisions of this Ordinance, shall upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not to exceed \$500.00 or by imprisonment not to exceed 90 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment, at the discretion of the Court. Each discrete act of exhibition driving is deemed to constitute a separate offense. Provisions of this Ordinance may be enforced by suit for injunction, damages, other appropriate legal action, or criminal prosecution, or vehicle may be impounded.

Effective Date

This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon the publication thereof.

Passed and approved by the Golden Township Board on Mar 8th, 2005

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