# VILLAGE OF DORCHESTER

#### **CLARK & MARATHON COUNTIES**

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ORDINANCE 206: REGULATING THE DISPLAY OF HOME AND BUSINESS

**ADDRESS NUMBERS** 

The Village Board of the Village of Dorchester, Clark & Marathon Counties, Wisconsin, do ordain as follows:

For the health, safety, convenience and general welfare of the residents of the Village of Dorchester, and in compliance with County ordinance and laws of the State of Wisconsin, this Ordinance will establish a method for locating properties, which is vital to providing emergency and other services.

#### Section 1: Numbering

- A. Numerical addresses shall be assigned according to the County address grid, with the 100 blocks, north/south and east/west, beginning at the intersection of Business County Road A and Front Street.
- B. There shall be 100 numbers allocated per Village block. The even numbers shall be on the south and east sides of the road, with odd numbers on the north and west sides.
- C. The address assigned shall become the official address of the property and will replace any prior address.

## **Section 2: Display of Address Numbers**

Owners and occupants of every house, mobile home, business, and building in the Village of Dorchester shall display address numbers according to this Ordinance.

- 1. For all buildings situated less than seventy-five (75) feet from the center of the roadway, such numbers shall be conspicuously placed near the front or main entrance door of each building so that the number can be plainly seen from the street. The height of each number shall not be less than 2-1/2 inches.
- 2. When any building is more than seventy-five (75) feet from the center of the roadway, a reflectorized number shall be installed and conspicuously displayed near the driveway, common entrance, gate, post, or other appropriate place so that the number can be plainly seen from the street.

3. Additionally, all mailboxes shall have building numbers affixed by owners and occupants in a size large enough to be seen from the road.

### **Section 3: Noncompliance and Penalties**

The following violations are subject to a forfeiture of not less than Five Dollars (\$5.00) and not more than Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00), plus court costs, for each violation. Each day of non-compliance shall constitute a separate violation.

- 1. Failure to comply within fifteen (15) days of written notice to install, repair, or replace missing or inadequate address numbers.
- 2. Utilizing any address number not assigned by the Village of Dorchester.
- 3. Failure to comply within fifteen (15) days to remove any address sign or number affixed to any structure, utility pole, fence, or other illegal location, which may be confused with the assigned address number.
- 4. Failure to comply with Section 2.

Passed at a regular session of the Village Board this 4th day of January, 2017.

This ordinance shall be effective upon publication.

Wayne Rau, President

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Brooke Ruge, Village Clerk

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