

MILLS TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE NO. 3
MILLS TOWNSHIP DUMPING GROUND ORDINANCE

Adopted, December 13, 1967
Effective, January 21, 1968

An ordinance to secure the public peace, health, safety, welfare, and convenience of the residents and property owners of the Township of Mills, Midland County, Michigan, a municipal corporation, by the regulation of dumping grounds for waste, rubbish, junk and debris, and the operation thereof within said township; to provide penalties for the violation thereof; to provide a schedule for the operation of private dumps; and to repeal all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict therewith.

THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF MILLS TOWNSHIP,
MIDLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, ORDAINS:

1. This ordinance shall be known and cited as the Mills Township Dumping Ground Ordinance.
2. REGULATIONS:
 - a. No person, firm, or corporation shall dump any waste, rubbish, junk or debris in any area of the Township of Mills, Midland County, until they have first secured permission by resolution of the Mills Township Board and secondly, by securing a permit good only for one year from the Township Clerk, or unless the same is municipally maintained and operated for such dumping ground purposes and where such dumping would not be a nuisance or annoyance to adjoining property owners.
 - b. No such dumping of waste, rubbish, junk or debris shall hereafter be allowed between sunset and sunup of each day.
 - c. No dead animals, explosives, nor odoriferous material shall be dumped in any municipally or private operated dumping ground.
 - d. No human excretion from a privy or septic system shall be dumped on the ground surface anywhere in Mills Township.

- e. The burning of any dumping ground area, or the waste material therein, shall be prohibited and forbidden, without the prior written approval of the Township Board of Mills Township, and the securing of a burning permit from the Michigan Department of Conservation, and in no case shall be allowed within fifty (50) feet of the utility poles or towers of any public utility company, its agents, successors, or assigns.
- f. No municipally operated dump shall be used by any person, firm, or corporation which is not a resident, property owner, or tenant within said Mills Township unless the municipality in which they reside have a contractual agreement with the Mills Township Board.
- g. The material dumped in any such dumping grounds shall be substantially covered over with fill dirt periodically, as the degree of dumping requires, to maintain the area in as neat a condition as possible and free of odors, and in accordance with the orders of the Mills Township Board or its duly authorized agent.
- h. Any dumping in municipally operated dumps shall be accomplished by depositing the waste material over the bank of the dump, and no such waste material shall be allowed by the dumper to remain on the approachway to such bank.
- i. No dumping of waste, rubbish, junk or debris shall be allowed in any area within twenty-five (25) feet of the nearest point of the base of the towers, poles, supports or other structures of any public utility company, its agents, successors, or assigns.
- j. Any person, firm or corporation dumping in any municipally-operated dump shall do so at his, its, or their own risk and the Township of Mills shall not be held liable for any injuries or damages occurring therein.
- k. No municipally operated dump shall be used for any purpose other than for dumping operations

permitted under this ordinance. No picking or scavenging of any municipally operated dump shall be permitted by any person, firm, or corporation other than those registered with, and approved by, the Mills Township Board. No loitering shall be allowed within a municipally operated dump and no person, firm or corporation using such dumping facilities shall interfere with the rights, duties and privileges of any other person, firm, or corporation using said dumping facilities in accordance with the provision of this ordinance.

1. It shall be unlawful to discharge any firearm at anytime any closer than 100 yards of any municipally or privately operated dumping grounds.
- m. The Township of Mills shall not be liable for any damage to property adjoining a municipally operated dump caused by fires within said dump not approved in writing by the Mills Township Board and the Michigan Department of Conservation.

3. PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS

Any person, firm, or corporation which violates any of provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100, or by imprisonment in the county jail, not to exceed 90 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment. Each day that a violation occurs shall constitute a separate offense.

4. EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect on the 21st day of January, 1968. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with any of the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.