

**MAPLE GROVE TOWNSHIP  
SAGINAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
ORDINANCE NO. 8-1-2009  
ORDINANCE TO CHANGE FROM CRIMINAL TO CIVIL INFRACTIONS**

ADOPTED: 8-17-2009  
EFFECTIVE: 8-24-2009

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An Ordinance to provide for the use of "Municipal Civil Infractions" as penalties for the violation of those ordinances of the Township of Maple Grove which heretofore contained provisions for criminal penalties.

**THE TOWNSHIP ORDAINS:**

**Section 1:**

That the ordinances set forth in Section 3 hereof of Maple Grove Township are hereby amended to provide for Municipal Civil Penalties as authorized by 1994 Public Act 12 so that each of the sections of the ordinance enumerated below shall be amended to read as provided in Section 2.

**SANCTIONS FOR VIOLATION**

**Section 2:**

Any person or other entity who violates any of the provisions of this Ordinance is responsible for a municipal civil infraction as defined by Michigan law and subject to a civil fine determined in accordance with the following schedule:

	Minimum Fine	Maximum Fine
1 <sup>st</sup> violation within 3-year period*	\$50.00	\$500.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> violation within 3-year period*	\$125.00	\$500.00
3 <sup>rd</sup> violation within 3-year period*	\$250.00	\$500.00

\* determined on the basis of the date of violation(s)

Additionally, the violator shall pay costs, which may include all direct or indirect expenses, plus court costs and legal fees, to which the Township has been put in connection with the violation. In no case, however, shall costs of less than \$9.00 or more than \$500.00 be ordered. A violator of this Ordinance shall also be subject to such additional sanctions, remedies, and judicial orders as are authorized under Michigan law. Each day a violation of this Ordinance continues to exist constitutes a separate violation.

**ORDINANCES AFFECTED**

**Section 3:**

That the sections of the Ordinances affected are as follows:

Zoning Ordinance	Sec. 704(D)
Dog Control Ordinance	Sec. 42.110(4)
Garage Sale Ordinance	Sec. 151.6
Anti Noise Ordinance	Sec. 4
Land Division Ordinance	Section 9
Blight Control Ordinance	
Building, Electrical, Plumbing And Mechanical Ordinance	

**EFFECTIVE DATE**

**8-24-2009** This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon publication as required by law following adoption by the Township Board.

**CERTIFICATE**

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of and Ordinance adopted by the Township Board of Maple Grove Township at a regular meeting held on August 17, 2009.

RICHARD J. MAXA - CLERK