

Town of Poygan Driveway and Street Address Sign Ordinance
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10.0 **Authority:** These regulations are adopted under the general police powers authority granted by the Wisconsin Statutes.

10.1 **Purpose:** The purpose of this ordinance is to promote the general health, welfare and emergency access and to provide for the safe and proper placement and installation of individual driveway access points and signage on Town and Private Roads.

10.2 **Scope:** The scope of this ordinance includes requirements for the visibility, construction, width and turning radius of driveways for all new or altered access points and driveways entering on to the Town of Poygan Town Roads. In addition, this ordinance includes requirements for visibility, placement and maintenance of Town provided street address signs located on County, Town or private roads in the Town of Poygan.

10.3 **Severability:** The provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed severable. It is expressly declared that the Town Board would have passed the other provisions of this Ordinance irrespective of whether one or more provisions may be declared invalid. If any section, provision or portion of this Ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

10.4 **Jurisdiction and Applicability:** Jurisdiction of these regulations shall include all parcels of land located within the Town of Poygan. New driveways and those existing driveways that undergo repairs involving changes of the existing slope and/or routing, change of access points or change in use of the property are subject to the provisions of this ordinance.

10.5 **Definitions:**

Driveway – A private path, road or other avenue of travel that runs through any part of a private parcel of land that connects or will connect with ant public highway, and will provide service to a residence, business, recreational site or other similarly appropriate uses.

Driveway Access Point– the point along the length of the driveway where the driveway enters the Town road right-of-way.

Driveway curves – Driveway curves shall have a minimum radius of 45 feet.

Driveway base – Crushed aggregate, gravel, breaker run, screenings or any approved combination of these intended for the support of traffic and with a minimum thickness of six inches. Additional stone may be required based on actual soil conditions.

Driveway length - The distance measured along the centerline of the driveway extending from the road right of way to the closest point of the primary structure.

Driveway width – The distance measured from one side of the traveling surface to the opposite side and perpendicular to the length.

Primary Structure – The residence or structure providing living areas for the resident and conforming with local, County and State residence zoning requirements.

Street Address Sign – A sign provided by the Town of Poygan indicating the Township and street address number which coincides with the property for which the sign is located.

Traveling surface - That portion of the driveway intended for use by vehicular traffic and either made of gravel or paved with concrete or asphalt over a gravel base.

Unobstructed – Free of opaque materials, soil, trees, shrubs, hedges, brush, landscaping materials or any other structure which impedes or impairs visibility.

Vision Triangle – A triangle formed from the point of access to the Town right-of-way and extending unobstructed for one hundred (100) feet in both directions along the closest edge of the Town Road traveling surface.

10.6 **Driveway Width Required:**

Driveway width for primary structures, located with a driveway length not exceeding 200 feet, shall be a minimum of twelve (12) feet in width and be provided with a minimum 6 inches of base material.

Driveway width for primary structures, located with a driveway length which exceeds 200 feet, shall be a minimum of sixteen (16) feet in width and be provided with a minimum 6 inches of base material. Said driveway shall also provide a continuous turn around or cul-de-sac with a minimum radial dimension of 45 feet.

10.7 **Driveway Location:**

Each parcel shall be allowed one (1) driveway access point unless an additional access point is authorized by the Town Board.

Driveway access points shall be located a minimum of ten (10) feet from a side lot line unless a shared access point has been authorized by the Town Board.

Unless an alternate location is approved by the Town Board, driveway access points shall only be located within a parcel road frontage that complies with the road frontage requirements as presented in the Town Zoning or Town Subdivision Ordinances.

10.8 Driveway Visibility:

Driveways shall be located such that an unobstructed vision triangle is provided for the safe access of vehicular traffic onto and off of Town roads.

10.9 Street Address Sign Required:

Each residence within the Town of Poygan shall be provided with a street address sign. Signs will be uniform in shape, color, size and style of lettering. For the safety and welfare of the community and emergency response personnel, these signs shall be required for all residences.


10.10 Street Address Sign Location:

Signs shall be placed in a consistent and uniform location on each property by a representative of the Town of Poygan or appointed Contractor. Signs will be placed within the road right of way at a point within 10 feet of the driveway access point for residences located on all County, Town and Private roads. Once placed, no person shall remove, relocate, damage, vandalize, paint, block, or in any manner visually impair said sign.

10.11 Penalties - The enforcement of this section and all other laws and ordinances relating to driveway access and construction shall be by the means of the withholding of building permits, imposition of forfeitures, removal of covered areas and injunctive action. Forfeitures shall not be less than \$50.00 nor more than \$500.00. Each day of noncompliance may be considered a separate violation of this Ordinance.

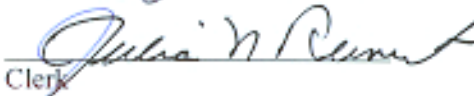
10.12 Effective Date - This ordinance shall be effective upon passage and publication as provided by law.

Revised and adopted this 8th, day of December, 2020


Chairman


Supervisor


Supervisor


Clerk