

TOWN OF PLYMOUTH
ZONING ORDINANCE

SECTION 1.0 - INTRODUCTION

1.1 Authority.

The Town Board of the Town of Plymouth, Rock County, Wisconsin has proceeded under the provisions of Sections 60.10(3)(c), 60.22(3), 60.61, 60.62, 61.35, and 62.23 and Chapter 91 of the Wisconsin State Statutes and this Ordinance is adopted under the authority granted by Sections 60.62, 61.35, and 62.23 and Subchapter V of Chapter 91 of the Wisconsin State Statutes.

1.2 Purpose.

The purpose of this Ordinance is to promote the comfort, health, safety, morals, prosperity, aesthetics, and general welfare of this community. Furthermore, the purpose of this Ordinance is to implement the land use goals, objectives, policies, and map resulting from the Town's comprehensive planning process as set forth in the Town's Comprehensive Plan.

1.3 Intent.

It is the general intent of this Ordinance to regulate and restrict the use of all lands and waters; preserve productive and historic agricultural soils; regulate and restrict lot coverage, population distribution and density, and to stabilize and protect property values; further the appropriate use of land and conservation of natural resources; and preserve the community's comprehensive plan or plan components. It is further intended to provide for the administration and enforcement of this Ordinance and to provide penalties for its violation.

1.4 Abrogation and Greater Restrictions.

It is not intended by this Ordinance to repeal, abrogate, annul, impair, or interfere with any existing easements, covenants, deed restrictions, agreements, ordinances, rules, regulations, or permits previously adopted or issued pursuant to appropriate governing laws. However, wherever this Ordinance imposes greater restrictions, the provisions of this Ordinance shall govern.

1.5 Interpretation.

In their interpretation and application, the provisions of this Ordinance shall be held to be minimum requirements and shall be liberally construed in favor of the Town and shall not be deemed a limitation or repeal of any other power granted by the Wisconsin Statutes.

1.6 Severability.

If any section, clause, 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. If any application of this Ordinance to a particular structure, land, or water is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall not be applicable to any other structure, land, or water not specifically included in said judgment.

1.7 Repeal.

The Town Board herein repeals without limitation all other ordinances, maps, or parts of ordinances of the Town inconsistent or conflicting with this Ordinance, to the extent of the inconsistency only, including without limitation a certain zoning ordinance originally dated September 11, 1979, the Official Zoning (District) Map dated September 4, 1979, and any amendments to said zoning ordinance and zoning map, including without limitation, the amendments dated November 9, 1995.

1.8 Title.

This Ordinance shall be known as, referred to or cited as the TOWN OF PLYMOUTH ZONING ORDINANCE.

1.9 Effective Date.

This Ordinance became effective after a public hearing, adoption by the Town Board, and posting as provided by law. Changes or Amendments to the text of this Ordinance or the "Official Zoning Map" shall be effective after the provisions of Section 10 have been complied with and the Change or Amendment has been posted as provided by law.