

Curfew

The curfew ordinance was recently passed, and is now in effect. The old ordinance prohibited children under 18 from being on the street after 12:30 am on Saturday (Friday nights) and 12:30 am on Sunday (Saturday nights). All other nights the curfew was at 10:00 pm. There were exceptions to this of course.

This ordinance was not often enforced in the past. Many feel that 10 pm was too restrictive, especially to 16 and 17 year-olds. Also there was not any extra time allowed in "summer".

The new ordinance sets different times by age, with an extra hour being given on weekends and in the summer. Also 17 year-olds are exempt. Here are the new times:

Ages 14 and under: 10pm. 11pm weekends and summer.

Age 15: 10:30pm. 11:30pm weekends and summer.

Age 16: 11:00pm. Midnight weekends and summer.

Again these new hours are now in effect.

Be aware that parents can be criminally charged in cases of children who habitually violate curfew!