

BOROUGH OF SINKING SPRING
Berks County, Pennsylvania

ORDINANCE NO. 625-2016

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SINKING SPRING, BERKS
COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING AND RESTATING CHAPTER
196, SECTION 616, OF SINKING SPRING BOROUGH'S ZONING
ORDINANCE

BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Sinking Spring, Berks County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby ORDAINED AND ENACTED the Section 616 is hereby repealed and restated by the same as follows:

Section 616. Parking, Storage or Use of Major Recreational Equipment.

1. No major recreational equipment (including but not limited to boats, boat trailers, travel trailers, pickup campers, recreational vehicles, motor coaches, motorized dwellings, tent trailers or equipment substantially similar to the forgoing, as well as boxes or cases used for transporting such major recreational equipment) shall be parked or stored on any public street. The one exception to the forgoing rule to allow a 48 hour period for loading or unloading such major recreational equipment. Any such trailer must remain connected to the tow vehicle at all times that such trailer is parked or stored on a public street.

2. No major recreational equipment shall be parked on any lot except in accordance with the following requirements:

- a. For all properties in the Borough that have rear access, either via alley ways or driveways, all major recreational equipment must be parked in the rear of such lot.
- b. For all properties in the Borough with only front access to either the rear or side yard, all major recreational equipment must park within either the side yard or rear yard, but in no instance may any major recreational equipment be parked in the front yard.
- c. For all properties in the Borough with only front driveways, and no access to the side or rear yard, major recreational equipment may be parked in the driveway, so long as such equipment is parked completely outside the public right-of-way.
- d. For any corner lot, all major recreational equipment is permissible in the rear yard only.

3. All major recreational equipment must have current and up to date state inspection, registration, insurance coverage, (provide such inspection, registration and insurance coverage is required by state or federal law in order to operate such equipment). Such equipment must be operational and good clean working condition. Any units in disrepair, nonoperational or not properly inspected, registered and insured must be stored within an enclosed garage.

4. All major recreational equipment must be parked on a paved hard surface, either concrete or asphalt driveway, on residential properties.

5. Any storm water runoff from either the paved parking area or the equipment stored on it shall be contained on such property or otherwise controlled to ensure that any discharge is not more than the naturally occurring force and volume prior to the installation of such paved parking area.

6. Any major recreational equipment stored within any residential lot is intended to be occasionally used. Long time storage of any unused equipment will not be allowed. Storage of any such equipment for more than six months without use will be subject to a rebuttable presumption that such equipment is being stored long term in violation of this Section. Any equipment covered by this Section which is not used at least once per year must be stored at an authorized offsite storage facility.

7. Repeal of Ordinances. Any ordinance or part of ordinances conflicting with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed insofar as they are inconsistent with this Ordinance's provisions.


8. Severability. If any article, section, subsection, provision, regulation, limitation, restriction, sentence, clause, phrase or word in this Ordinance, is for any reason declared to be unconstitutional, illegal or invalid, by any court of competent jurisdiction, this decision shall not affect or impair the validity of the Ordinance as a whole, or any other article, section, subsection, provision, regulation, limitation, restriction, sentence, clause, phrase, word or remaining portion of the within Ordinance. The Borough Council of the Borough of Sinking Spring, Berks County, Pennsylvania, hereby declares that it would have adopted the within Ordinance and each article, section, subsection, provision, regulation, limitation, restriction, sentence, clause, phrase and word thereof, irrespective of the limitations, restrictions, sentences, clauses, phrases or words that may be declared illegal, invalid or unconstitutional.

9. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective on the earliest date permitted by law.

10. Zoning Ordinance. The Zoning Ordinance of the Borough of Sinking Spring, Berks County, Pennsylvania, as amended, shall be and remain unchanged in full force and effect except as amended, supplemented and modified by this Ordinance. This Ordinance shall become part of the Zoning Ordinance upon adoption.

DULY ENACTED AND ORDAINED at a public meeting of the Borough of Sinking
Spring Borough Council held on September, 1, 2016.

By: 
President

Attest: 
Secretary

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR:


Mayor