

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF TATTNALL

A TATTNALL COUNTY ORDINANCE 10-11-01
GOVERNING THE USE AND REGULATIONS OF ALL TATTNALL COUNTY LANDINGS.

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the residents of Tattnall County, Georgia that rules and regulations be established to define the use of the Tattnall County Landings and to prohibit using the Tattnall County Landing during non-designated hours except when authorized in writing by the Tattnall County Sheriff .

WHEREAS, The Tattnall County Board of Commissioners has determined it will promote safety and general welfare of the Citizens of Tattnall County to control such activities.

SECTION I: Definitions: When used in this Ordinance the following words and phrases shall have a commonly interpreted meaning including but not limited to said definitions given in this section.

1. Alcoholic Beverages - Means alcohol, spirits, liquor, wine, beer and every liquid or solid containing one-half of one percent or more of alcohol by volume and which is fit for beverage purposes either alone or combined with other substances
2. All Terrain Vehicles – Means a small, open motor vehicle having one seat and three or more wheels fitted with large tires. It is designed chiefly for recreational use over road less, rugged terrain, snow, and ice, and through shallow water
3. Farm Utility Vehicles – Means a vehicle that is designed for off-road use and is used as a farm, agricultural or horticultural service vehicle, generally having a gasoline or diesel engine, four or more wheels, bench seating for the operator and a passenger, a steering wheel for control, and a cargo bed.
4. Utility Vehicle – Means a motor vehicle that is designed for off-road use, powered by an engine of no more than 25 horsepower, and used for general maintenance, security, agricultural or horticultural purposes.
5. Off Road Motorcycle – Means any motorcycle designed exclusively for off-road use by an individual rider with not more than two wheels in contact with the ground.
6. Golf Cart – Means a small motorized vehicle that is normally used for transporting golfers and their equipment round a golf course
7. Dangerous Drugs/Narcotic – As described in Title 16, Article 2 & 3, of Chapter 13 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.
8. Garbage – Means food waste, including waste accumulation of animal or vegetable matter used or intended for use as food. Noncombustible wastes, such as paper, wrappings, cigarettes, cardboard, tin cans, and similar materials.
9. Litter – Means discarded wastepaper, cartons, boxes, wood, tree branches, yard trimmings, furniture, appliances, metals, cans, glass, crockery, fragments of concrete, brick, stone or asphalt and/or similar materials.

10. Bonfires – Means outdoor fire used for informal disposal of burnable waste material or as part of a celebration.

11. Small Open Fires – Means a small fire kept within an enclosed container such as a grill, or small fire within an enclosed fire pit with a safety perimeter and clearance for other flammables.

12. Picnics - Means a pleasure excursion at which a meal is eaten outdoors

13. Persons - Means individuals, groups, organizations, associations, partnerships, firms and corporations.

14. Vandalism – Means the willful or malicious destruction or defacement of public or private property.

15. County Landings – Land owned by Tattnall County bordering a river or a stream.

16. Camping – Spending the night in a tent, camper or motor home between the hours 11:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m., the official hours of operation.

SECTION II: General Regulations:

(1) The Tattnall County Landings are available for the use of persons and groups to use during the hours of 5:00 a.m. through 11:00 p.m unless otherwise expressly designated and permitted by the Tattnall County Sheriff on a case by case basis for camping, picnics or similar family gatherings.

(2) Picnics and cooking on small Open Fires are allowed between the hours of 5:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.

(3) All persons using the Tattnall County Landing agree to hold Tattnall County harmless from any and all liability for injury to persons or property occurring as the result of the activity at the Landings.

(4) The Tattnall County Sheriff or his designees at any time may inspect the premises for safety, compliance of use, hazards, or other reasons deemed necessary by the County any may immediately terminate any camping, picnic or gathering for cause.

(5) The Tattnall County Sheriff or his designees may close the Tattnall County Landings at any time there is an apparent danger to the persons using the property itself, or for any cause which would provide for the safety and protection of the public.

SECTION III: VIOLATIONS

(1) No Person shall be on any Tattnall County Landings between the hours 11:00 pm and 5:00 am, without the express permission of the Tattnall County Sheriff for camping, picnics or similar family gatherings.

(2) No Person shall consume, sell or be in possession of alcohol beverages

(3) No Person shall use, sell or be in possession of any narcotic or dangerous drug

- (4) No Person shall dump any type of garbage or litter
- (5) No Person shall have any type of bonfire
- (6) No Person shall ride any type of all terrain vehicles, farm utility vehicles, utility vehicles, Off-road motorcycles or golf carts.
- (7) No Person shall leave any type of Fire unattended
- (8) No Person shall commit any act of Vandalism

Any of the above violations shall constitute a criminal act and shall be punishable by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or imprisonment for not more than sixty (60) days, or both.

The State Court of Tattnall County shall have jurisdiction over violations and all procedures for enforcement. Complaints of violations of any provision of said article shall be brought before the State Court on a citation issued by the Tattnall County Sheriff's Department and shall be prosecuted through the Court. Citations shall meet all requirements as specified in the O.C.G.A. 15-10-62, as amended.

SECTION IV: BE IT ORDAINED, by the Tattnall County Board of Commissioners, and IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED by the authority of same, that the following is hereby adopted by Tattnall County, Georgia, to be effective November 1, 2010.

FRANK H. MURPHY, CHAIRMAN

G. W. THOMPSON, MEMBER

EDWARD KENNEDY, MEMBER

MOURICE COLLINS, MEMBER

J. DANIEL SHUMAN, MEMBER

HERBERT (BUBBA) BURKHALTER, MEMBER

ATTEST:

FRAN JARRIEL, CLERK
TATTNALL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FIRST READING October 4, 2010

SECOND READING November 1, 2010