

CITY OF SWARTZ CREEK  
ORDINANCE NO. 461 Special Event Curfew for Minors

The Swartz Creek City Council hereby authorizes the enforcement of a temporary Special Event Curfew to commence on Thursday, May 28, 2026 through Sunday, May 31, 2026, said curfew to be in effect between 9:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.

**Sec. 10-310 – Special Event Curfew for Minors.**

1. The presence of unsupervised minors 17 or under at special public events within the City creates a nuisance and health and safety hazard. Unsupervised minors create disorderly and potentially dangerous circumstances at these events. Due to incidents at special public events prior to the passing of this ordinance the City finds that there is a need to restrict the presence of unsupervised minors at such events as the City Council deems necessary from time to time to preserve the health, safety, and welfare of the public. The provisions of this section shall extend the curfew hours for minors 17 or under during special public events as deemed necessary by the City Council to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public.
2. During special public events, from the hours of 7:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m. it shall be unlawful for an unsupervised minor 17 or under to be on designated public places specifically identified in a public notice issued by the City.
3. Any individual found in violation of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment in jail for up to 93 days, a fine of \$500, or both.
4. A minor 17 or under found in violation of Section 10-310 will be prima facie evidence that the minor's parent or guardian is in violation of Section 10-308 by aiding and abetting the minor in violating the ordinance.
5. The following activities shall be exempt from the curfew requirements of this Section where the minor is:
  - a. Accompanied by his parent, guardian, or any other person 21 years of age or older authorized by a parent as the caretaker for the minor;
  - b. In attendance at an official school, religious or other recreational activity sponsored by the city, a civic organization or another similar entity that takes responsibility for the minor, or going to or from such an activity, without any detour or stop, and supervised by adults;
  - c. Engaged in a certain employment activity, or going to or from employment, without any detour or stop.
6. For purposes of this section, a "special event" means a sports event, pageant, celebration, historical reenactment, entertainment, exhibition, parade, fair, festival, or similar activity that the City sanctions or approves according to its Special Event Policies and Regulations.

The area designated for the Special Event Curfew shall match that of the outer boundaries of the Swartz Creek Downtown Development Authority, as indicated in the 2022 Downtown Development Plan.

