

# Chapter 20 Door County Code

## DOOR COUNTY FAIR HOUSING ORDINANCE

### I. Title

Door County Fair Housing Ordinance  
(Fair and Open Housing)

### II. Wisconsin Statutes

- A. Section 106.50, Wisconsin Statutes, as it currently exists or is subsequently revised, is incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth.
- B. Section 66.1011, Wisconsin Statutes, as it currently exists or is subsequently revised, is incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth.
- C. For the purposes of construction of this ordinance, all references to the Wisconsin Statutes shall be as those statutes currently exist or as they may be hereafter revised.

### III. Intent and Declaration of Policy

- A. The intent and declaration of policy of this ordinance are as set forth in Sections 106.50(1) and 66.1011(1), Wisconsin Statutes respectively.
- B. *Door County hereby endorses the concepts of fair and open housing for all persons and prohibition of discrimination therein.*
- C. This ordinance provides a means for the implementation and enforcement of these concepts.

### IV. Definitions

- A. In this ordinance definitions are as set forth in Sections 66.1011(1m) and 106.50(1m), Wisconsin Statutes.

### V. Prohibitions

- A. This ordinance prohibits discrimination in housing as set forth in Sections 66.1011(2) and 106.50(2), (2m) & (2r), Wisconsin Statutes.
- B. Any act required to be performed or prohibited by Sections 66.1011(2) and 106.50(2), (2m) & (2r), Wisconsin Statutes is required or prohibited by this ordinance.

### VI. Exemptions and Exclusions

- A. The exemptions and exclusions from this ordinance are as set forth in Section 106.50(5m), Wisconsin Statutes.

### VII. Administration and Enforcement

- A. The officials and employees of Door County, Wisconsin shall assist in the orderly prevention and removal of all discrimination in housing within Door County, Wisconsin by implementing the authority and enforcement procedures set forth in Section 106.50, Wisconsin Statutes.
- B. The Door County Clerk shall maintain forms for complaints to be filed under Section 106.50, Wisconsin Statutes, and shall assist any person alleging a violation thereof in Door County, Wisconsin to file a complaint thereunder with the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development, Equal Rights Division, for enforcement of Section 106.50, Wisconsin Statutes.

C. Consistent with in Section 66.1011(2), Wisconsin Statutes:

1. A complainant, aggrieved person or respondent to elect to remove the action to circuit court after a finding has been made that there is reasonable cause to believe that a violation of the ordinance has occurred.
2. Door County, at any time after a complaint has been filed alleging an ordinance violation, may file a complaint in circuit court seeking a temporary injunction or restraining order pending final disposition of the complaint.
3. A forfeiture, as a penalty for violation of this subsection, is hereby established for an amount that is equal to the statutory forfeitures under Section 106.50(6)(h), Wisconsin Statutes.

**VIII. Non-Exclusivity**

- A. The enactment, administration or enforcement of this ordinance are not exclusive and shall not:
1. preclude the governing body from adopting any other ordinance or providing for the enforcement of any other law or ordinance relating to the same or any other matter.
  2. preclude the proceeding under any other ordinance or law relating to the same or any other matter.
  3. limit any rights or remedies which may be available to any person.

**IX. Effective Date**

This Amendatory Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its enactment and publication.

(Ord. 2004-20; 09/29/04) (Ord. 2021-04; 02/23/21)