

RILEY TOWNSHIP - ST. CLAIR COUNTY

ARTICLE II
CONSTRUCTION OF LANGUAGE AND DEFINITIONS

SECTION 201. CONSTRUCTION OF LANGUAGE:

The following rules of construction apply to the text of this Ordinance:

- A. The particular shall control the general.
- B. In the case of any difference of meaning or implication between the text of this Ordinance and any caption or illustration, the text shall control.
- C. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not discretionary. The word "may" is permissive.
- D. Words used in the present tense shall include the future; and words used in the singular number shall include the plural, and the plural the singular, unless the context clearly indicates the contrary.
- E. A "building" or "structure" includes any part thereof.
- F. The phrase "used for" includes "arranged for", "designed for", "intended for", "maintained for", or "occupied for".
- G. The word "person" includes: an individual, a corporation, a partnership, an incorporated association, or any other similar entity.
- H. Unless the context clearly indicates the contrary, where a regulation involves two or more terms, conditions, provisions, or events connected by the conjunction "and", "or", "either...or", the conjunction shall be interpreted as follows:
 - 1. "And" items, conditions, provisions, or events may apply singly or in any combination.
 - 2. "Or" indicates that the connected items, conditions, provisions or events may apply singly or in any combination.
 - 3. "Either...or" indicates that the connected items, conditions, provisions or events shall apply singly but not in combination.
- I. Terms not herein defined shall have the meaning customarily assigned to them.