



Welcome to Our Community! New Residents Guide

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New Resident Guide

Welcome New Residents!

Thank you for choosing Perkins Township as your new home! Whether you own or rent, we would like to help you become familiar with all that Perkins Township has to offer and have collected the following information to help you settle in.

YOUR COMMUNITY AT A GLANCE

County & State:
Erie County, Ohio

Location and Size
North Central Erie County
Approximately 27 square miles of land.
Bordered on the north by the City of Sandusky, west by Margarett
Township, east by Huron Township, and south by Oxford Township.

Population, Demographics, & Home Values
More than 12,000 residents. 56.2% of residents are ages 20-64; 20.7% of residents are ages 65 and older; 19.5% of residents are ages 5-19. Of those residents within the 20-64 age group, 27.8% are men and 28.5% are women.
The majority of homes are owner-occupied and range in value from \$100,000 to \$149,999.

Form of Government
Township Government
Elected Township Board of Trustees and Fiscal Officer



Local Contact Information

Emergency 911

Police, Non-Emergency(419) 627-0824
Fire/EMS, Non-Emergency(419) 626-1334
or (419) 626-1289
Dog Warden(419) 627-7607

TOWNSHIP SERVICES

www.perkinstownship.com

Township Administrator(419) 609-1435
Gary Boyle
Administration Offices(419) 609-1400
Highway Department(419) 609-1433
Building & Zoning Department(419) 609-1435

BOARD OF TRUSTEES(419) 609-1432

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Timothy ColemanTColeman@perkinstownship.com
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FISCAL OFFICER(419) 609-1431

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PUBLIC SCHOOLS

www.perkinsschools.org

Perkins Administration Office(419) 625-0484
Perkins High School(419) 625-1252
Briar Middle School(419) 625-0132
Meadowlawn Intermediate School... (419) 625-0214
Furry Elementary(419) 625-4352

ERIE COUNTY SERVICES

eriecounty.oh.gov

Auditor(419) 627-7746
Board of Elections(419) 627-7601
Regional Planning Commission(419) 627-7792
Environmental Services(419) 433-7303
Health Department(419) 626-5623
Water & Sewer Department(419) 627-7638

TRANSPORTATION

www.ci.sandusky.oh.us/community-dev/sts-sparc.htm

Sandusky Transit System(419) 627-0740

UTILITIES

Water Billing(419) 627-7638
Ohio Edison(800) 633-4766
www.ohioedison.com
Report Electric Outage(888) 544-4877
Columbia Gas(800) 344-4077
www.columbiagas.com

CABLE, PHONE, INTERNET

Buckeye Broadband(419) 627-0800
www.buckeyebroadband.com
DirecTV(800) 531-5000
www.directv.com
Dish Network(800) 333-3474
www.dishnetwork.com
AT&T Home Internet(877) 954-7413
Verizon Home Internet(800) 775-8098

TRASH COLLECTION (private)

Cyclone Services(419) 684-9797
Republic Services(419) 626-2454
Ruffin Refuse(419) 625-2004

HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Firelands Hospital(419) 557-7400
www.firelands.com
Northern Ohio Medical Specialists (419) 626-6161
www.nomshealthcare.com
American Red Cross(419) 626-1641
Poison Control Center(800) 222-1222
Children & Youth Services(419) 626-6781

SENIOR SERVICES

Serving Our Seniors(419) 624-1856
Erie County Senior Center(419) 626-2560
www.eriesenior.org

MEDIA

www.sanduskyregister.com

Sandusky Register(419) 625-5500
News Tips(419) 502-2160

SUMMARY

Township Services & Regulations



Issue		Summary	For More Info
Home Improvements	Fences	Zoning permits are required for all fences. Residential fences may not be taller than 6' in rear and side yards and 3' in front yards.	Perkins Township Building & Zoning (419) 609-1435
	Decks & Porches	Zoning permits are required for all decks and porches. Building permits are required when they are larger than 200 sq. ft. See the residential building permit package to find out which permits are required for your project and what information must be included.	
	Sheds	Zoning permits are required for all sheds and accessory buildings. Building permits are required when they are larger than 200 sq. ft. See the residential building permit package to find out which permits are required for your project and what information must be included.	
	Pools & Spas	In-ground and above-ground pool construction requires a zoning permit. Electrical permits must also be applied for regarding the pump for the pool.	
	Construction	Permits are required whenever structural changes are made to the building.	
	Cosmetic Improvements	Maintenance activities such as replacements siding, painting, and landscaping do not require permits.	
	Electrical & Mechanical Work	Permits may be required for alterations or additions to current electrical and mechanical systems. Contact the Building Department with your project description to determine if they are needed.	
	Occupancy Permits	No new home can be occupied until it receives a Certificate of Completion documenting that it satisfies all safety and building requirements.	
	House Numbers	House numbers are assigned by the Township Zoning Department and must be clearly posted on the house in large, easy to read numerals.	
	Public Rights-of-Ways	The Township owns the right-of-way to property of local roads, but it is the homeowners responsibility to maintain the property between the edge of the road and the property line.	Perkins Township Highway Department (419) 609-1433
	Excavating & Trenching	You must contact Call Before You Dig 811 at least 3 working days before digging begins to locate underground utilities.	
Animal Control	Dog Licenses	Annual Erie County licenses are required for dogs older than 3 months.	Erie County Dog Warden (419) 627-7607
	Farm Animals	Farm animals are restricted from being located in residential subdivisions or on property of less than 5 acres, please see Zoning Resolution for more information	Perkins Township Building & Zoning (419) 609-1435
	Rodent Control	Contact any private animal removal service.	
	Mosquito Control	Erie County General Health Department has an interest in mosquito control, particularly concerning the spread of disease.	Erie County Health Department (419) 626-5623
Resolutions	Peddling/Soliciting	Door-to-door sales persons and other transient retail businesses must secure permits from the Perkins Township Zoning Department	Perkins Township Building & Zoning (419) 609-1435
	Explosives	Storage, use, or manufacture of materials which could detonate by decomposition is prohibited	
	Open Junk Storage	Outdoor storage of junk such as old appliances, vehicles, and materials which could pose a potential hazard is prohibited.	
	Abandoned Vehicles	Abandoned or junked vehicles on private property are prohibited	
	Boat, RV Storage	Boats and RVs must be stored behind the front line of a home during the off season months.	

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Fire Safety	Smoke/Carbon Monoxide Detectors	These are required in new construction and in some qualifying additions and/or alterations to existing structures. Contact the Building Department for more information	Perkins Township Fire Department (419) 626-1334
	Alarm Systems	No permits are required for home fire/burglar alarm systems monitored by commercial security services unless there is an upgrade to the electric system of the home.	
	Wood/Coal/Kerosene Burners	Freestanding units are not regulated	
	Open Burning	Supervised residential campfires do not require Township approval, although some restrictions apply. All other open burning is prohibited.	
	Fire Extinguishers	Fire extinguishers are not required in single-family homes.	
	Hazardous Materials	Explosive, corrosive, toxic, reactive, flammable, and other hazardous materials for household use must be stored in a safe and secure manner	
	Fireworks	Only small sparklers, snap-caps, and party poppers are permitted. Fireworks, rockets, cherry bombs, etc. are prohibited.	
Township Services	Public Parks	Perkins Township public parks feature a variety of amenities. Park hours generally follow daylight hours.	Perkins Township Highway Department (419) 609-1433
	Recreational Programs	Perkins Township currently hosts a youth baseball league every summer for kids ages 4-14	Perkins Township Administration (419) 609-1400
	Police, Fire Emergencies	In addition to the Police Department, emergency services dispatched from Erie County 911 are provided by the Perkins Township Fire Department.	Perkins Township Fire Department (419) 626-1334
	Non-emergency Services	Perkins Township public safety agencies provide such non-emergency services as crime prevention, fire safety education, and transportation of bedridden patients.	Perkins Township Police Department (419) 627-0824
	Road Maintenance	Perkins Township is responsible for over 45 miles of local roads. Private roads, state roads, and county roads are the responsibility of their respective owners.	Perkins Township Highway Department (419) 609-1433
	Salting, Snow Removal	Perkins Township highway department is responsible for the snow removal on Township owned roads only.	
	Public Records	Perkins Township maintains public records of official meetings, building permits, site plans, finances, and more. To see a particular document contact our administration department.	Perkins Township Administration (419) 609-1435
Other Services	Stormwater Drainage	Maintaining stormwater drainage facilities including pipes, culverts, swales and retention ponds is the responsibility of their owners. Perkins Township is responsible for those which cross Township roads and properties.	Erie Conservation District (419) 502-5211
	Sanitary Sewer & Water	Erie County owns and operates the local public water distribution and waste water treatment systems. Essentially all new homes, and most existing houses, are connected to these systems.	Erie County Environmental Services (419) 433-7303
	Public Transit	Limited fixed-route and on-demand transit services are available through the Sandusky Transit Services.	Sandusky Transit System (419) 627-0740

Highway Department

Services to Our Residents



Highway At A Glance

The Highway Department maintains the Township's 45-plus miles of roadways, including paving and patching potholes, crack sealing, sign installation, street sweeping, snow removal, vegetation control, building and grounds maintenance, vehicle and equipment maintenance, park improvements, roadside mowing, and yard waste collection for leaves.

Leaf Collection

Leaf collection is typically scheduled once a year in the fall. The leaf truck travels through the Township at random from the east side of the Township through to the west side multiple times. Weather permitting the leaf pick-up program will typically continue through December.

Winter Operations and Snow Removal

Our Highway Department crews are highly trained in snow removal operations, and work day and night to clear your roads of snow and keep them safe for driving. They have a policy that provides guidance to the crew members as they work to maintain the 45-plus miles of roadway in the Township.

Parks & Recreation

Perkins Township is home to some of the most beautiful and well-maintained parks in Erie County. Enjoy our trail system of over 1-mile at Strickfaden Park on Bell Ave., or have a pick up baseball game with friends at Sartor Park on Hull Rd.

Park	Location	Size
Abernathy Park	Doerzbach Avenue	0.37 acres
Columbus Park	Boston Road	2.64 acres
Fairview Lanes Park	Peterson Lane	1.95 acres
Birchwood Park	Birchwood Drive	0.96 acres
Leisure Park 2	Birchwood Drive	1.94 acres
Sartor Park	Hull Road & Milan Road	5.11 acres
Schiller Park	Schiller Avenue	2.64 acres
Stonyridge Park	Stonyridge Drive	2.20 acres
Stonewood Park	Stoneway East	0.43 acres
Pelton Park	Pelton Park Road	19.39 acres
Strickfaden Park	Bell Avenue	28.42 acres
Ohio Veterans Home	DeWitt Avenue	Baseball Fields
		Total: 66.05 acres