

## PHILLIPSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## **Press Release**

Due to recent Law Enforcement incidents involving children under the age of 18, the Phillipsburg Police Department will be taking a zero tolerance approach to Curfew.

Chapter 242-1 of the Phillipsburg Town Code states:

"No child under the age of 18 years shall be upon any of the public streets, highways, alleys, parks or other public places of the Town, between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., either on foot or in or upon any type of conveyance, unless such child is accompanied by his or her parent, guardian or other person having legal care or custody of such child or is accompanied by a responsible person of good repute over 18 years of age. School, civic, church, employment, legitimate social functions supervised by adults or errands involving medical emergencies shall be exempted from this section."

## Chapter 242-2 of the Phillipsburg Town Code States:

"No parent, guardian or other person having the legal care or custody of a child under the age of 18 years shall allow or permit any such child to go or be in or upon any of the public streets, highways, alleys, parks or other public places of the Town of Phillipsburg between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., except as specified in § 242-1 of this chapter or unless reasonable necessity can be shown therefore"

## Penalties as outlined in Chapter 242-6 are:

"Any person violating or failing to comply with any of the provisions of this chapter shall, upon conviction thereof, be required to perform community service and may in addition be subject to a fine not to exceed \$1,000. The continuation of such violation for each successive day shall constitute a separate offense, and the person or persons allowing or permitting the continuation of the violation may be punished as provided above for each separate offense. If both a person under 18 years of age and his or her parent or guardian violates this chapter, they shall be required to perform community service together."