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[HISTORY: Adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Helmetta 10-26-1994 by Ord. No. 15-1994.¹ Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES

Peace and good order — See Ch. 42.

§ 30-1. Definitions.

For purposes of this chapter, the following terms shall be defined to mean:

GUARDIAN — A person, other than a parent to whom legal custody of the juvenile has been given by court order or who is acting in the place of the parent or who is responsible for the care and welfare of the juvenile.

JUVENILE — An individual who is under the age of 18 years.

PUBLIC PLACE — Any place to which the public has access, including but not limited to a public street, road, thoroughfare, sidewalk, bridge, alley, plaza, park, recreation, athletic or shopping area, public

¹ Editor's Note: This ordinance also repealed former Ch. 30, Curfew, adopted 3-10-1965, as amended.

transportation facility, vehicle used for public transportation, parking lot or any other public building, structure or area.

§ 30-2. Prohibitions and exceptions.

- A. It shall be unlawful for juveniles to be in any public place between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. unless accompanied by a parent or guardian.
- B. The aforesaid prohibition shall not apply if said juvenile is:
 - (1) Engaged in, or traveling to or from, a business or occupation which the law of the State of New Jersey authorizes a juvenile to perform.
 - (2) Engaged in an errand involving a medical emergency.
 - (3) Attending religious services, extracurricular school activities, activities sponsored by a religious or community organization or other cultural, educational or social event or is in direct transit to or from such events.

§ 30-3. Parental responsibility.

It shall be unlawful for any parent or guardian to permit, suffer or allow any juvenile in his or her care to be in any public place between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.

§ 30-4. Violations and penalties.

Any person found guilty of having violated § 30-2 or 30-3 of this chapter shall perform community service and may be subject to a fine of no more than \$1,000 and if any parent or guardian as well as a juvenile is found guilty of violating this chapter, the parent or guardian shall perform community

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service together with the juvenile. The period of community service shall not exceed 90 days.