



CITY OF BASTROP, TX  
ORDINANCE NO. 2024-20

**SEX OFFENDER ORDINANCE**

**Sec. 8.06.002 - Programs Involving Minors**

- A sex offender shall not participate in any program or event that includes minors as participants and regularly provides athletic, civic, or cultural activities
- *Halloween.* A sex offender shall not on each October 31<sup>st</sup> leave an exterior porch light on or otherwise invite trick-or-treaters who are minors to the premises.

**Sec. 8.06.003 - Offender Registration, Reporting, and Residency Prohibition**

- It is unlawful for a sex offender to establish a permanent or temporary residence within one thousand (1,000) feet of any premises where children commonly gather.
- A sex offender shall register with the City of Bastrop Police Department when establishing either a permanent or temporary residence in the City, consistent with the requirements of Chapter 62 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedure.

**Sec. 8.06.004 - Property Owners Prohibited from Renting Real Property to Sexual Offenders**

- It is unlawful for a property owner to let or rent any place, structure or part thereof, manufactured home or trailer, with the knowledge that it will be used as a permanent residence or temporary residence by any sex offender prohibited from establishing such permanent residence or temporary residence pursuant to the terms of this article, if such place, structure or part thereof, manufactured home, trailer, or other conveyance, is located within one thousand (1,000) feet of any premises where children commonly gather.

**Sec. 8.06.005 - Enforcement: Penalty; Affirmative Defenses; Evidentiary Matters**

- *Penalty.* Any firm, corporation or person who violates any provision contained in the provisions of this article is guilty of a

misdemeanor, and upon conviction, shall be fined in an amount not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense.

**Sec. 8.06.006 - Exemptions**

- Special conditions and factors that may be considered listed in the ordinance
- A sex offender shall have the right to make an appeal for an exemption from a provision of this article by making a request to the chief of police, in writing.

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