

TITLE III COMMUNITY PROTECTION

CHAPTER 15 SEX OFFENDERS

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3-15-1 PURPOSE. This Chapter is a regulatory measure aimed at protecting the health and safety of children in Coggon from the risk that convicted sex offenders may reoffend in locations close to their residences. As recognized by the Eight Circuit United States Court of Appeals in its April 29, 2005, decision of *Doe v. Miller*, and as recognized by the Iowa Supreme Court in *State v. Seering*, decided on July 29, 2005, the city finds and declares that sex offenders are a serious threat to public safety. When convicted sex offenders reenter society, they are much more likely than any other type of offender to be re-arrested for a new rape or sexual assault. Given the high rate of recidivism for sex offenders and that reducing opportunity and temptation is important to minimizing the risk of reoffense, there is a need to protect children where they congregate or play in public places in addition to the protections afforded by state law near schools and day-care centers. The city finds and declares that in addition to schools and day-care centers, children congregate or play at public parks, swimming pools, multi-use recreational trails, libraries, school bus stops, non-licensed child care and many other places.

3-15-2 DEFINITIONS. As used in this Chapter and unless the context otherwise requires:

1. “Aggravated Offense” means a conviction for any of the following offenses:
 - a. Sexual abuse in the first degree in violation of Iowa Code section 709.2.
 - b. Sexual abuse in the second degree in violation of Iowa Code section 709.3.
 - c. Sexual abuse in the third degree in violation of Iowa Code section 709.4, subsection 1.
 - d. Lascivious acts with a child in violation of Iowa Code section 709.8, subsection 1.
 - e. Assault with intent to commit sexual abuse in violation of Iowa Code section 709.11.
 - f. Burglary in the first degree in violation of Iowa Code section 713.3, subsection 1, paragraph “d”.
 - g. Kidnapping, if sexual abuse as defined in Iowa Code section 709.1 is committed during the offense.
 - h. Murder, if sexual abuse as defined in Iowa Code section 709.1 is committed during the offense.

i. Criminal transmission of human immunodeficiency virus in violation of Iowa Code section 709C.1, subsection 1, paragraph “a”.

2. “Corporate City Limits” means that area comprised within the City of Coggon now and in the future.

3. “Criminal offense against a minor” means any of the following criminal offenses or conduct:

a. Kidnapping of a minor, except for the kidnapping of a minor in the third degree committed by a parent.

b. False imprisonment of a minor, except if committed by a parent.

c. Any indictable offense involving sexual conduct directed toward a minor.

d. Solicitation of a minor to engage in an illegal sex act.

e. Use of a minor in a sexual performance.

f. Solicitation of a minor to practice prostitution.

g. Any indictable offense against a minor involving sexual contact with the minor.

h. An attempt to commit an offense enumerated in its subsection.

i. Incest committed against a minor.

j. Dissemination and exhibition of obscene material to minors in violation of Iowa Code section 728.2.

k. Admitting minors to premises where obscene material is exhibited in violation of Iowa Code section 728.3.

l. Stalking in violation of Iowa Code section 708.11, subsection 3, paragraph “b”, subparagraph (3), if the fact-finder determines by clear and convincing evidence that the offense was sexually motivated.

m. Sexual exploitation of a minor in violation of Iowa Code section 728.12.

n. Enticing away a minor in violation of Iowa Code section 710.10, subsection 1.

o. An indictable offense committed in another jurisdiction which would constitute an indictable offense under paragraphs (a), through (n).

4. “Other relevant offense” means any of the following offenses:

a. Telephone dissemination of obscene materials in violation of Iowa Code section 728.15.

b. Rental or sale of hard-core pornography in violation of Iowa Code section 728.4.

- c. Indecent exposure in violation of Iowa Code section 709.9.
- d. Incest committed against a dependent adult as defined in Iowa Code section 235B.2 in violation of Iowa Code section 726.2.
- e. A criminal offense committed in another jurisdiction which would constitute an indictable offense under paragraphs (a) through (d) if committed in this state.

5. “Person or Sex Offender” means an individual who has been convicted of a criminal offense against a minor, or an aggravated offense, sexually violent offense , or other relevant offense that involved a minor.

6. “Residence” means the place where a person sleeps, which may include more than one location, and may be mobile or transitory.

7. “Sexually violent offense” means any of the following indictable offenses:

- a. Sexual abuse as defined under Iowa Code section 709.1.
- b. Assault with intent to commit sexual abuse in violation of Iowa Code section 709.11.
- c. Sexual misconduct with offenders in violation of Iowa Code section 709.16.
- d. Any of the following offenses, if the offense involves sexual abuse or attempted sexual abuse: murder, attempted murder, kidnapping, burglary, or manslaughter.
- e. A criminal offense committed in another jurisdiction which would constitute an indictable offense under paragraphs (a) through (d) if committed in this state.

3-15-3 RESIDENCY RESTRICTIONS. A person regulated by this Chapter or a sex offender shall not reside within the corporate city limits of Coggon, Iowa.

3-15-4 RESIDENCY EXCEPTION. A person regulated by this Chapter or a sex offender residing within the corporate city limits of Coggon, Iowa, does not commit a violation of this Chapter if any of the following apply:

- 1. The person is required to serve a sentence at a jail, prison, juvenile facility, or other correctional institution or facility.
- 2. The person is subject to an order of commitment under Chapter 229A of the Iowa Code.
- 3. The person has established a residence prior to the effective date of this ordinance. A residence established prior to the effective date of this Ordinance may not be changed to another residence in Coggon after the effective date of this Ordinance.
- 4. The person is a minor or ward under guardianship.

3-15-5 VIOLATIONS. Any person or sex offender who resides within the corporate city limits of Coggon, Iowa, in violation of this Chapter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by fine or

imprisonment as provided by law or shall be guilty of a municipal infraction punishable by a civil penalty as provided by law.