

Section 3 JURISDICTION, APPLICATION AND INTERPRETATION

Subdivision 1: JURISDICTION

The jurisdiction of this Ordinance shall apply to all of the area within the corporate limits of the City of Rice.

Subdivision 2: APPLICATION AND INTERPRETATION

1. In their application and interpretation, the provisions of this Ordinance shall be held to be the minimum requirements for the promotion of the public health, safety and welfare.
2. Where the conditions imposed by any provision of this Ordinance are either more or less restrictive than comparable conditions imposed by any law, Ordinance, statute, resolution, or regulation of any kind, the regulations which are more restrictive or which impose higher standards or requirements shall prevail.
3. No structure shall be erected, converted, enlarged, reconstructed or altered without first obtaining a building permit, and no structure or land shall be used for any purpose nor in any manner which is not in conformity with the provisions of this Ordinance.
4. Except as herein provided no building, structure or premises shall hereafter be used or occupied and no building permit shall be granted that does not conform to the requirements of this Ordinance.

Subdivision 3: SEPARABILITY

1. If any court of competent jurisdiction shall judge any provision of this Ordinance to be invalid, such judgement shall not affect any other provisions of this Ordinance not specifically included in said judgement.
2. If any court of competent jurisdiction shall judge invalid the application of any provision of this Ordinance to a particular property, building or other structure, such judgement shall not affect the application of said provision to any other property, building or structure not specifically included in said judgement.