

City of Battle Creek

# zero

## phos-for-us

ORDINANCE

A ban on the use of harmful  
phosphorus lawn fertilizers

EFFECTIVE MARCH 15, 2009

*to protect our water resources*



The City of Battle Creek's  
**ZERO Phosphorus Ordinance**,  
was enacted to reduce over-enrichment of  
rivers, lakes, and wetlands with the nutrient  
phosphorus. Excessive phosphorus in surface  
water leads to an overabundance of algae  
and other aquatic plants which eventually  
depletes the water of oxygen.

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**Look for** the middle number: The three numbers on  
a fertilizer container lists its percent nitrogen, phosphorus  
and potassium content, in that order. A zero in the middle  
means a phosphorus-free fertilizer.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
THE CITY OF BATTLE CREEK ORDINANCE  
**ZERO PHOSPHORUS FERTILIZER  
AVAILABLE HERE.**