

**HAMPTON TOWNSHIP
ORDINANCE NO. 2023-24**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 35, ENTITLED “ANIMAL CONTROL, DOMESTIC” OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMPTON, COUNTY OF SUSSEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Hampton in the County of Sussex, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 35-11, entitled “General penalty.”, of Chapter 35, entitled “Animal Control, Domestic”, of the Code of the Township of Hampton, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2. Section 35-19, entitled “Dogs creating nuisance or injury to property.”, of Chapter 35, entitled “Animal Control, Domestic”, of the Code of the Township of Hampton, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, is amended to read as follows:

§ 35-19 Dogs creating nuisance or injury to property.

No person who owns, keeps, harbors or is in charge of any dog shall allow such dog to:

- a. habitually bark, howl or cry to such a degree as to constitute a public nuisance;
- b. chase any vehicle on a public street;
- c. damage any lawn, shrubbery, flowers or grounds or any property of a person other than its master's;
- d. behave so as to endanger property of a person other than its master's;
- e. commit or create any nuisance on any common thoroughfare, sidewalk, passageway, bypath, play area, park or any place where people congregate or walk, or upon any public property or upon any private property without that property owner's permission.

SECTION 3. Section 35-20.2, entitled “Nuisances, duty of owner or person in charge of dog.”, of Chapter 35, entitled “Animal Control, Domestic”, of the Code of the Township of Hampton, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, is hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. Section 35-33, entitled “Penalties for violations of certain sections.”, of Chapter 35, entitled “Animal Control, Domestic”, of the Code of the Township of Hampton, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey, is amended to read as follows:

§ 35-33 Penalties for violations of certain sections.

Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this chapter, for which there is no specific penalty provided for hereinabove or hereinbelow, shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine not to exceed \$2,000 or by imprisonment in the jail for a period not to exceed 90 days, or both such fine and imprisonment. Each days continuance of a violation shall constitute a separate and distinct violation.

SECTION 5. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are repealed as to such inconsistencies.

SECTION 6. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

SECTION 7. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication as provided by law.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the above Ordinance was adopted by the Hampton Township Committee at their regular meeting held on November 28, 2023 at the Hampton Township Municipal Building, Baleville, Sussex County, New Jersey.

Date: _____

Kathleen Armstrong, RMC
Township Clerk

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the attached Ordinance #2023-24 was introduced at a regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Hampton, Sussex County, New Jersey, held on the 31st day of October 2023 and passed on first reading, and that such Ordinance will be further considered for final passage and adoption at the regular meeting of the Township Committee to be held on the 28th day of November 2023 at the Municipal Building, One Rumsey Way, in the Township of Hampton, at 7:00 p.m., and remotely via Zoom if available, or remote only at the discretion of the Administrator or Mayor, at such time and place all persons interested be given an opportunity to be heard concerning said Ordinance. To attend the meeting remotely use the following link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4919500389>, or to attend the meeting by phone, dial 929-205-6099 (Meeting ID: 491 950 0389).

Kathleen Armstrong, RMC
Township Clerk

NOTICE ORDINANCE 2023-24

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the foregoing Ordinance #2023-24 was adopted at Final Reading at the regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Hampton, County of Sussex held on Tuesday, November 28, 2023, at the Hampton Township Municipal Building, Baleville, N.J.

Kathleen Armstrong, RMC
Township Clerk