

ORDINANCE NO. 7-19

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER, IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS AND STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING SECTION 117-10.F. AND SECTION 198-2.C.1 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER AS ADOPTED UNDER ORDINANCE NO. 34-18 BY THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE ON DECEMBER 13, 2018 IN CLARIFYING MUNICIPAL PROPERTY ACCESS FOR SERVICE DOGS

WHEREAS, on December 13, 2018, the Township Committee of the Township of Hanover adopted Ordinance 34-18, which addressed the cleanliness and proper maintenance of the Township's athletic fields, parks and recreation facilities; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 34-18, among other things, amended Chapter 117 and Chapter 198 of the Township Code to access by leashed and un-leashed animals, including those designated as service animals; and

WHEREAS, the Township wishes to amend Ordinance 34-18, which has not yet been codified, to clarify the requirements for such access by leashed service dogs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Committee of the Township of Hanover in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey as follows:

Section 1. As set forth in Ordinance 34-18, Chapter 117, Dogs and Other Animals, § 117-10 (now § 117-12), "Additional Regulations, Paragraph F., Leashed Dogs, of the Township Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

"F. Leashed Dogs. No person owning, keeping or harboring any dog or domestic animal shall permit such animals upon the Township's public streets or in any other public place unless the dog or domestic animal is accompanied by a responsible person and is securely confined and controlled by an adequate leash not exceeding six (6') feet in length.

However, no leashed dog or other domestic animal shall be permitted to enter upon any Township athletic field, recreation facility, (e.g., tennis courts, hockey rinks, or any other athletic playing court) or public building. Individuals accompanied by a leashed service animal are permitted to enter upon any Township building, recreation facility, park or athletic field, in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and the New Jersey Law Against Discrimination."

Section 2. As set forth in Ordinance 34-18, Chapter 198, Parks and Recreation Areas, Article 1, Conduct, Section 198-2, Proper and Orderly Conduct, paragraph C.1., is hereby amended to read as follows:

“C.1. No leashed or unleashed dog or other domestic animal shall be permitted to enter upon any Township athletic field, or recreation facility such as tennis courts, hockey rinks, or any other athletic playing court, except as permitted pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act and the New Jersey Law Against Discrimination.”

Section 3. In case, for any reason, any section or provision of this Ordinance shall be held to be unconstitutional or invalid, the same shall not affect any other section or provision of this Ordinance, except so far as the section or provision so declared unconstitutional or invalid shall be severed from the remainder or any portion thereof.

Section 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are, to the extent of such inconsistency, hereby repealed.

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect in accordance with the law.

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE
TOWNSHIP OF HANOVER
COUNTY OF MORRIS
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

ATTEST:


Joseph A. Giorgio, Township Clerk



Ronald F. Francioli, Mayor

DATE OF INTRODUCTION: January 31, 2019

DATE OF ADOPTION: February 14, 2019

CERTIFICATION

I, Joseph A. Giorgio, Township Clerk of the Township of Hanover, County of Morris and State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of an Ordinance adopted by the Township Committee of said Township on the 14th day of February, 2019 at a meeting duly convened, of said Body.


Joseph A. Giorgio, Township Clerk