

ORDINANCE #2024-6

“AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH REQUIREMENTS TO CONTROL LITTERING IN THE TOWNSHIP OF UPPER PITTSBORO”

SECTION I. Purpose:

An ordinance to establish requirements to control littering in the Township of Upper Pittsgrove, so as to protect public health, safety and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for the failure to comply.

SECTION II. Definitions:

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words, and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this Chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include future, words used in the plural number include the singular number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word “shall” is always mandatory and not merely directory.

- a. Litter – any used or unconsumed substance or waste material which has been discarded, whether made of aluminum, glass, plastic, rubber, paper, or other natural or synthetic material, or any combination thereof, including, but not limited to, any bottle, jar or can, or any top, cap or detachable tab of any bottle, jar or can, any unlighted cigarette, cigar, match or any flaming or glowing material or any garbage, trash, refuse, debris, rubbish, grass clippings or other lawn or garden waste, newspapers, magazines, glass, metal, plastic or paper containers or other packaging or construction material, but does not include the waste of the primary processes of mining or other extraction processes, logging, sawmilling, farming or manufacturing.
- b. Litter Receptacle – a container suitable for the depositing of litter.
- c. Person – any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.

SECTION III. Prohibited acts and regulated activities:

1. It shall be unlawful for any person to throw, drop, discard or otherwise place any litter of any nature upon public or private property other than in a litter receptacle, or having done so, to allow such litter to remain.
2. Whenever any litter is thrown or discarded or allowed to fall from a vehicle or boat in violation of this ordinance, the operator or owner, or both, of the vehicle or boat shall also be deemed to have violated this ordinance.

SECTION IV. Enforcement:

This ordinance shall be enforced by the Public Works Department of the Township of Upper Pittsgrove.

SECTION V. Penalties:

Any person(s) who is found in violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to a fine not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100).

SECTION VI. Severability:

Each section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase of this Ordinance is declared to be an independent section, subsection, sentence, clause, and phrase, and the finding or holding of any such portion of this Ordinance to be unconstitutional, void, or ineffective for any cause, or reason, shall not affect any other portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION VII. Effective date:

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and any publication as may be required by law.

Dated: April 9, 2024

BY: Edward J. Meschi

**ATTEST: Linda R. Stephens, RMC
Township Clerk**

NOTICE is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Upper Pittsgrove in the County of Salem and State of New Jersey on the 9th day of April, 2024 and will be considered for final passage after a public hearing to be held by said Township Committee at Township Hall, Pole Tavern, New Jersey on the 14th day of May, 2024 at 7:00P.M.

**Linda R. Stephens, RMC
Township Clerk**