

Township of Lawrence  
County of Mercer

ORDINANCE NO. 2009-09

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 10 OF THE  
ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LAWRENCE  
COUNTY OF MERCER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
ENTITLED "ACTS OF LITTER PROHIBITED"

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Lawrence, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey that Chapter 10, Section 10-31 entitled "Acts of Litter Prohibited" is hereby amended as follows:

Section 1 Add the following new sub-section.

**10-31f Refuse Containers/Dumpsters**

**Dumpsters and other refuse containers that are outdoors or exposed to stormwater shall be covered at all times. Spilling, dumping, leaking or otherwise discharge of liquids, semi-liquids or solids from the containers to the municipal separate storm sewer system operated by the Township and/or waters of the State is hereby prohibited.**

- 1. Any person who controls, whether owned, leased, or operated, a refuse container or dumpster must ensure that such contact or dumpster is covered at all times and shall prevent refuse from spilling out or overflowing.**
- 2. Any person who owns, leases or otherwise uses a refuse container or dumpster must ensure that such container or dumpster does not leak or otherwise discharge liquids, semi-liquids or solids to the Municipal separate storm sewer system(s) operated by the Township of Lawrence.**
- 3. The following are exceptions:**
  - a. Permitted temporary demolition containers**
  - b. Litter receptacles (other than dumpsters or other bulk containers)**
  - c. Individual homeowner trash and recycling containers**
  - d. Refuse containers at facilities authorized to discharge stormwater associated with industrial activity under a valid NJPDES permit**
  - e. Large bulky items (e.g., furniture, bound carpet and padding, white goods placed curbside for pickup)**

**4. This ordinance shall be enforced by the Police Department, Health Department and/or Engineering Department of Lawrence Township.**

**5. Any person(s) who is found to be in violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to a fine not to exceed \$500.00.**

**Section 2 Repealer**

All other ordinances or parts of ordinances adopted prior to the date of this ordinance that are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed insofar as they relate or concern the provisions contained herein.

**Section 3 Severability**

If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase in this ordinance shall be declared invalid for any reason, the remaining portions of said ordinance shall not be affected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 4 Effective Date**

This ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after final adoption thereof.

New Material Underlined \_\_\_\_\_

Adopted: May 5, 2009

**RECORD OF VOTE**

<b>COUNCIL</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>NAY</b>	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>	<b>ABSTAIN</b>	<b>MOVE</b>	<b>SECOND</b>
Mr. Bostock	X						X
Mr. Miller	X						
Mr. Powers	X						
Mr. Puliti	X					X	
Mayor Mount	X						