

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-04
TOWNSHIP OF NORTH HANOVER
COUNTY OF BURLINGTON

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NORTH HANOVER, COUNTY OF BURLINGTON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING THE TOWNSHIP’S MUNICIPAL CODE FOR PURPOSES OF REGULATING ILLICIT CONNECTIONS

SECTION 1. Purpose

To prohibit illicit connections to the municipal separate storm sewer system(s) operated by the Township of North Hanover so as to protect public health, safety and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for the failure to comply.

SECTION 2. 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 the 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. The definitions below are the same as or based on corresponding definitions in the New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NJPDES) rules at N.J.A.C. 7:14A-1.2.

- a. Domestic sewage - waste and wastewater from humans or household operations.
- b. Illicit connection – any physical or non-physical connection that discharges domestic sewage, non-contact cooling water, process wastewater, or other industrial waste (other than stormwater) to the municipal separate storm sewer system operated by the [insert name of municipality], unless that discharge is authorized under a NJPDES permit other than the Tier A Municipal Stormwater General Permit (NJPDES Permit Number NJ0141852). Non-physical connections may include, but are not limited to, leaks, flows, or overflows into the municipal separate storm sewer system.
- c. Industrial waste - non-domestic waste, including, but not limited to, those pollutants regulated under Section 307(a), (b), or (c) of the Federal Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. §1317(a), (b), or (c)).
- d. Municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4)– a conveyance or system of conveyances (including roads with drainage systems, municipal streets, catch basins, curbs, gutters, ditches, manmade channels, or storm drains) that is owned or operated by [insert name of municipality] or other public body, and is designed and used for collecting and conveying stormwater.

- e. NJPDES permit – a permit issued by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection to implement the New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NJPDES) rules at N.J.A.C. 7:14A
- f. Non-contact cooling water - water used to reduce temperature for the purpose of cooling. Such waters do not come into direct contact with any raw material, intermediate product (other than heat) or finished product. Non-contact cooling water may however contain algaecides, or biocides to control fouling of equipment such as heat exchangers, and/or corrosion inhibitors.
- g. Person – any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.
- h. Process wastewater - any water which, during manufacturing or processing, comes into direct contact with or results from the production or use of any raw material, intermediate product, finished product, byproduct, or waste product. Process wastewater includes, but is not limited to, leachate and cooling water other than non-contact cooling water.
- i. Stormwater – water resulting from precipitation (including rain and snow) that runs off the land’s surface, is transmitted to the subsurface, is captured by separate storm sewers or other sewerage or drainage facilities, or is conveyed by snow removal equipment.

SECTION 3. Prohibited Conduct

No person shall discharge or cause to be discharged through an illicit connection to the municipal separate storm sewer system operated by the Township of North Hanover any domestic sewage, non-contact cooling water, process wastewater, or other industrial waste (other than stormwater).

SECTION 4. Enforcement

This ordinance shall be enforced by the Township Police Department and/or Zoning Officer of the Township of North Hanover, County of Burlington.

SECTION 5. Penalties

Any person(s) who continues to be in violation of the provisions of this ordinance, after being duly notified, shall be subject to the general penalties set forth in Section 1-035 of the Municipal Code of the Township of North Hanover.

SECTION 6. 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 7. 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.

NOTICE

This Ordinance published herewith was introduced and passed upon first reading at the regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of North Hanover held on April 4, 2024. It will be further considered for final passage after a public hearing to be held on April 18, 2024, at the Municipal Building, 41 Schoolhouse Road, Jacobstown, NJ at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, at which time and place any person desired to be heard upon the same will be given an opportunity to be heard. Copies of said ordinance are available to any member of the general public who wants a copy of the ordinance, free of charge at the Municipal Clerk’s Office located in the Township Municipal Building, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Mary Picariello, RMC/CMR/CTC
Municipal Clerk

Vote on Introduction:

COMMITTEE	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Committeeman Doyle		X	X			
Committeeman Forsyth			X			
Committeeman Kocubinski			X			
Deputy Mayor O’Donnell	X		X			
Mayor DeBaecke			X			

NOTICE

The ordinance read by title upon second reading herewith has been adopted at the meeting of the Township Committee of North Hanover Township, held on April 18, 2024.

Mary Picariello, RMC/CMR/CTC
Municipal Clerk

Vote on Adoption:

COMMITTEE	MOTION	2ND	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Committeeman Doyle	X		X			
Committeeman Forsyth			X			
Committeeman Kocubinski		X	X			
Deputy Mayor O’Donnell						X
Mayor DeBaecke			X			