

CRANBURY TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE 03-24-09

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY,
MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NJ, CHAPTER 108 ENTITLED "PARKS AND RECREATION"**

WHEREAS, Cranbury Township is repealing its Parks Commission and Recreation Commission, creating a new "Parks and Recreation Commission"; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to adapt the rules and regulations to recognize this change.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury, Middlesex County, New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. The recitals contained in the foregoing preamble are incorporated herein as if fully restated.

Chapter 108, of the Code of the Township of Cranbury ("Code"), shall be amended as follows (additions are underlined; deletions are in [brackets]):

Chapter 108 **Parks and Recreation** Rules and Regulations

§ 108-1. **Hours of operation.**

Municipally owned parks shall be open to the public every day of the year from dawn to dusk, except as set forth herein or as said hours may be amended from time to time by the Parks and Recreation [Department] Commission or Township Committee for a specific activity, event or use.

§ 108-3. **Tennis courts.**

A. The use of the Township's tennis courts for any activity other than the playing of tennis or pickleball is prohibited. Prohibited activities shall be deemed to include, without limitation, rollerblading, rollerskating, riding bicycles, playing hockey and skateboarding.

§ 108-3.1. **Athletic fields.**

C. The specific usage regulations applicable to each of the Township's athletic fields shall be as adopted from time to time by resolution of the Township Committee acting in consultation with the Cranbury Township Parks and Recreation Commission [and/or Parks Commission].

D. In addition to the penalties set forth in § 108-7 below, any person, organization or group who violates or fails to comply with the provisions of this section or the usage rules promulgated hereunder shall be subject to the following:

(1) First offense: written or verbal warning.

(2) Second offense: loss of use of practice and game fields for one week.

(3) Third offense: loss of use of all practice and game fields for the remainder of the season, based upon a majority vote by the Cranbury Township [Board of] Parks and Recreation Commission.

§ 108-7. **Fees.**

C. The Township Committee may consult the Cranbury Township Parks and Recreation Commission [and/or the Cranbury Township Parks Commission] before adopting a recreation fee resolution.

Section 2. Severability. If any section or subsection of this ordinance is adjudged invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such adjudication shall apply only to the specific section(s) or subsection(s) so adjudged, and the remainder of the ordinance shall be deemed valid.

Section 3. Repealer. All ordinances or resolutions or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 4. Effective date. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication, as required by law.

The ordinance published herewith was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the governing body of the Township of Cranbury, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey held on March 25, 2024. It will be further considered for final passage, after a public hearing thereon, at a meeting of the governing body to be held in the meeting room of Town Hall, 23-A North Main Street, in the Township of Cranbury on April 11, 2024 at 7:00 P.M. and during the week prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting, copies of said ordinance will be made available at the Clerk's Office to the members of the general public who shall request the same.

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Municipal Clerk