# TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 11-21-13**

## ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY AMENDING SECTIONS 130-39 THROUGH 130-43 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANBURY REGARDING SIDEWALK SNOW REMOVAL

**WHEREAS,** the Township Committee of the Township of Cranbury, in Middlesex County, New Jersey, wishes to amend the Township's existing snow removal requirements in order to provide continuous, safe walking paths throughout the Township; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee wants to ensure that an enforcement mechanism is in place to ensure that the Township may adequately address dangerous conditions resulting from winter weather events in a timely fashion;

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

#### Section 1.

General Legislation, Chapter 130, Sections 130-39 through 130-43 of the Cranbury Township Code shall be amended as follows (deletions are struck through, and additions are underlined):

### § 130-39 Snow and ice removal or treatment required.

The owner, occupant or tenant of any land abutting or bordering any streets in the Township shall remove all snow and ice from the sidewalks abutting such streets within 48 hours after the end of a <u>winter weather event</u> the snowfall or the formation of ice thereon. In the event of ice formation such that removal is impractical, the owner, occupant or tenant shall apply sand, sawdust, ashes, salt or other harmless substance <u>de-icing material</u> to the portion not removed and shall, as soon as possible thereafter, remove the remainder.

#### § 130-40 Depositing snow or ice upon streets and sidewalks prohibited.

No person, owner, tenant or occupant of any premises abutting or bordering on any street or sidewalk shall throw, place or deposit any snow or ice on, into or upon any street or sidewalk in the Township.

## § 130-41 Notice of failure to comply.

A. Notice. Whenever an owner, occupant or tenant of such property shall fails to comply with the terms of this article, a written notice shall be given to the owner and occupant or

tenant, directing said owner, occupant or tenant to remove such snow or ice within 24 hours of the issuance of the notice.

B. Contents of notice; service. The notice shall contain a description of the property sufficient to identify it, but need not contain a legal description the address and tax lot of the property in violation. Notice may be given by leaving a copy of the notice at the property certified mail.

#### § 130-42 Enforcement.

- <u>A.</u> The provisions of this article shall be enforced by any duly authorized agent or employee of the Township of Cranbury.
- B. Any owner, occupant or tenant who fails to comply with Section 130-39 and Section 130-40 shall be provided with two warnings, and, thereafter, shall be fined \$125 per day, not to exceed \$1,250 per winter weather event.
- § 130-43 Suspension of provisions.

The Township Administrator and/or the Chief of Police may suspend this article for a period of time.

<u>Section 2. Repealer.</u> All ordinances and resolutions or parts thereof inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

<u>Section 3. Severability.</u> If any part, section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence, phrase, clause, term, or word of this ordinance is declared or held invalid or unconstitutional by the valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, such part, section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence, phrase, clause, term, or word shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision, and such declaration or holding shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other part, section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence, phrase, clause, term, or word of this ordinance, and this ordinance is declared severable.

## Section 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

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 November 22, 2021. It will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of the governing body to be held remotely via Zoom (access information on agenda) on December 13, 2021 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, as well as, on the Township's website: <a href="https://www.cranburytownship.org">www.cranburytownship.org</a>.

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