BOROUGH OF HAMBURG

Improper Disposal of Waste

Ordinance No. 13-2023

SECTION I. Purpose:

An ordinance to prohibit the spilling, dumping, or disposal of materials other than stormwater to the municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) operated by the Borough of Hamburg, 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 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.

- a. 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 the Borough of Hamburg or other public body, and is designed and used for collecting and conveying stormwater. NOTE: In municipalities with combined sewer systems, add the following: "MS4s do not include combined sewer systems, which are sewer systems that are designed to carry sanitary sewage at all times and to collect and transport stormwater from streets and other sources."
- b. Person any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.
- c. 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 III. Prohibited Conduct:

The spilling, dumping, or disposal of materials other than stormwater to the municipal separate storm sewer system operated by Borough of Hamburg is prohibited. The spilling, dumping, or disposal of materials other than stormwater in such a manner as to cause the discharge of pollutants to the municipal separate storm sewer system is also prohibited.

SECTION IV. Exceptions to Prohibition:

a. Water line flushing and discharges from potable water sources

- b. Uncontaminated ground water (e.g., infiltration, crawl space or basement sump pumps, foundation or footing drains, rising ground waters)
- c. Air conditioning condensate (excluding contact and non-contact cooling water)
- d. Irrigation water (including landscape and lawn watering runoff)
- e. Flows from springs, riparian habitats and wetlands, water reservoir discharges and diverted stream flows
- f. Residential car washing water, and residential swimming pool discharges
- g. Sidewalk, driveway and street wash water
- h. Flows from fire fighting activities
- i. Flows from rinsing of the following equipment with clean water:
 - Beach maintenance equipment immediately following their use for their intended purposes; and
 - Equipment used in the application of salt and de-icing materials immediately following salt and de-icing material applications. Prior to rinsing with clean water, all residual salt and de-icing materials must be removed from equipment and vehicles to the maximum extent practicable using dry cleaning methods (e.g., shoveling and sweeping). Recovered materials are to be returned to storage for reuse or properly discarded.

Rinsing of equipment, as noted in the above situation is limited to exterior, undercarriage, and exposed parts and does not apply to engines or other enclosed machinery.

SECTION V. Enforcement:

This ordinance shall be enforced by the **Department of Public Works** of the Borough of Hamburg.

SECTION VI. Penalties:

For violation of any provision of this ordinance the maximum penalty shall be as provided in Chapter 1, Article III, Section 1-17, and 1-18, of the Code of the Borough of Hamburg.

SECTION VII. Repealer:

Any ordinance or part thereof inconsistent with any provision of this ordinance is hereby repealed.

SECTION VIII. 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 IX. 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.

ALL OF WHICH IS ADOPTED this 6th day of September, 2023, by the Borough of Hamburg

CERTIFICATION

NOTICE is hereby given that the above ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading of a meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Hamburg, held on August 7, 2023 at 7 pm and will be considered for a final passage at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council to be held on September 6, 2023 at 7 pm or as soon thereafter as same can be considered, in the Municipal Building, 16 Wallkill Avenue, Hamburg, New Jersey at which time and place all persons interested therein or affected thereby will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same. A copy of said Ordinance is on file in the Office of the Borough Clerk, Municipal Building, 16 Wallkill Avenue, Hamburg, New Jersey and is available for public inspection during regular business hours. During the week prior and up to the time of public hearing, copies of said Ordinance will be available to the members of the general public who request the same.

Doreen Schott, RMC Municipal Clerk

STATEMENT

The above ordinance was duly adopted by a roll call vote at the September 6, 2023 Regular Meeting of the Hamburg Mayor and Council.

Roll Call:

Ayes:

Burd, Oehler, Endres, Law, Haig, Sena

Nays:

none

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Abstain:

none

Absent:

none

Doreen Schott, RMC