

**AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING DOG
ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS AND
AMENDING THE "CODE OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF PRINCETON, NEW
JERSEY 1968"**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Princeton as follows:

1. Chapter 6 of the "Code of the Township of Princeton, New Jersey, 1968" which regulates dogs in the Township of Princeton is amended by adding thereto the following new Sec. 6-1.1 concerning penalties for unlicensed dogs and dogs failing to wear their official metal registration tag and shall read as follows:

Sec. 6-1.1 same - penalty. Any person who shall fail to have their dog licensed and to have their dog wear its metal registration tag shall be subject to the following penalties:

- (a) for the first offense for having an unlicensed dog: fifty (\$50.00) dollars; and
 - (b) For the second offense for having an unlicensed dog: seventy-five (\$75.00) dollars; and
 - (c) failure to wear an display official metal registration tag on dog: fifty (\$50.00) dollars.
2. Chapter 6 shall be further amended by adding thereto a new Sec. 6-6.1 establishing penalties for allowing a dog to trespass upon private property, public school property or public parks and shall read as follows:

Sec. 6-6.1 same - penalty. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of Sec. 6-6 shall be subject to the following penalties:

(a) For a first offense: fifty (\$50.00) dollars; and

(b) For a second and subsequent offenses: one hundred (\$100.00) dollars.

3. Chapter 6 is further amended by adding thereto a new Sec. 6-7.1 concerning penalties for a female dog in season which is not properly restrained:

Sec. 6-7.1 same - penalty. Any person who shall violate Sec. 6-7 hereinabove shall be subject to the following fines:

(a) For failure to properly restrain a female dog in season on a leash as provided for in Sec. 6-5: for the first offense: fifty (\$50.00) dollars; and

(b) For the second or subsequent offense: one hundred (\$100.00) dollars.

4. Chapter 6 of said code is further amended by adding thereto a new Sec. 6-5.1 which shall read as follows: same - penalty. Any person who shall violate any provisions of Sec. 6-5 concerning having a dog on a leash shall be punished by the following fines:

(a) For the first offense: seventy-five (\$75.00); and

(b) For the second and subsequent offenses: one hundred (\$100.00) dollars.

5. Sec. 6-2.5, the general penalty provision for chapter 6 is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 6-2.5. Penalty. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this [Article] chapter, for which there is no specific penalty provided for hereinabove or hereinbelow, upon conviction, be punished by a fine not to exceed fifty (\$50.00) dollars or by imprisonment in the County jail for a period not to exceed ten (10) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment. Each violation of any provisions of this chapter and each day of the same either under this section or a section of this chapter for which there is a specific penalty shall be deemed and taken to be a separate and distinct offense.

6. Sec. 6-14 of the code concerning general penalties for dog ordinance violations is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 6-14. Penalties. [Any person who shall violate any provision of sec. 6-1 shall be liable to a penalty of not less than one (\$1.00) dollar nor more than fifty (\$50.00) dollars for the first offense, and not less than five (\$5.00) dollars nor more than fifty (\$50.00) dollars for each subsequent offense to be recovered in the manner provided by the Revised Statutes section 4:19-15.19 et. seq.] Any person who shall violate any provision of sections 6-2.1 through 6-2.4 is subject to penalties as set forth in section 6-2.5. Any person

who shall violate any provision of section 6-8.1 through 6-8.3 is subject to penalties as set forth in section 6-8.4. Any person who shall violate any provision of section 6-9.1 through 6-9.17 shall be liable to a fine of not more than one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars per day and each day's continuance of the violation shall constitute a separate and distinct violation, as set forth in section 6-9.11. Any person who shall violate any other provisions of this chapter shall be liable to a fine of not more than fifty (\$50.00) for each offense, and each day in which such violation continues shall be deemed to constitute a separate offense.

7. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication as provided for by law.

Additions in text are indicated by underlining, deletions by [brackets], except that underlined catchwords are not necessarily additions.

The foregoing ordinance was introduced at a meeting of Princeton Township Committee held on March 13, 2006 and will be further considered for final passage after a public hearing thereon at a meeting of said Township Committee to be held at the Princeton Township Municipal Complex, 400 Witherspoon Street on April 10, 2006, which begins at 7:00 p.m.

Kathy Brzezynski
Deputy Clerk

