

ORDINANCE O:07-2022

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE
TO AMEND CHAPTER 4 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MONROE,
ENTITLED “ADMINISTRATIVE CODE”

WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Monroe has recommended certain amendments to Chapter 4 of the Code of the Township of Monroe and has determined that it is in the best interest of the Township to amend this specific section.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Monroe that the Code of the Township of Monroe is hereby amended to include the amendments herein.

SECTION I. Chapter 4, entitled “Administrative Code” is hereby amended as follows:

Article XVIII Firearms, Weapons and Hunting

§ 4-120 Definitions.

As used in this chapter, the following terms shall have the meaning indicated:

FIREARM

Any gun, shotgun, rifle, pistol, revolver or other device from which a bullet, shot, ball, slug, pellet, solid projectile or other missile is propelled by means of a cartridge or shell or by the action, explosion or ignition of flammable or explosive substances.

WEAPON

Any firearm, air rifle, bow of 35 pounds or more pull, sling shot, spring gun or similar device or instrument in the nature of a weapon in which the propelling force is a spring, elastic band, carbon dioxide, compressed or other gas, vapor or compressed air, or which is discharged by compressed air, and ejecting a bullet or missile with sufficient force to injure a person.

§ 4-121 Prohibited activities on private property.

No person shall enter or go upon any private property within the Township carrying any firearm or weapon, and no person shall use or discharge any firearm or weapon upon or into any private property in the Township, unless such person:

- A. Is the owner, a member of the immediate family (within two degrees of consanguinity) of the owner, or a tenant of the private property, except that for purposes of hunting, such person must have a valid license to hunt issued by the State of New Jersey;**
- B. Carries the written permission of the property owner (indicating the duration of its effectiveness) to use firearms and weapons on the property for target practice, skeet or trap shooting or for purposes of instruction; or**
- C. Is a law enforcement officer identified in N.J.S.A. 2C:39-6 in the performance of his or her duties.**

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§ 4-122 Prohibited activities relating to public property.

- A. No person shall discharge any firearm or weapon or cast an arrow upon or across any state, county, Township road or highway, park, playground, school property or other public property within the Township unless such person is a law enforcement officer identified in N.J.S.A. 2C:39-6 in the performance of his or her duties.
- B. No person shall carry a loaded firearm or weapon or drawn bow within 450 feet of any school property or public playing field.
- C. No person shall be permitted to hunt on any public property owned by the Township.

§ 4-123 Compliance with state laws and regulations required.

No provisions of this chapter shall be interpreted as relieving any person from full compliance with all state laws, rules and regulations relating to firearms, weapons and hunting. The hunting regulations established by this chapter are in addition to the hunting laws and regulations of the State of New Jersey.

§ 4-124 Minimum penalty.

In addition to being subject to the general penalties provided in this Code, any person violating the provisions of this chapter shall be subject to a fine of not less than \$100.

SECTION II. All prior Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION III. If any word, phrase, clause, section or provision in this Ordinance shall be found by any Court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable, illegal, or unconstitutional, such word phrase, clause, section or provision shall be severable from the balance of the Ordinance and the remainder of the Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION IV. This Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after final passage and publication as required by law.

TOWNSHIP OF MONROE

CNCL. PRES., GREGORY A. WOLFE

ATTEST:

Twp. Clerk, Aileen Chiselko, RMC
or Deputy Clerk, Jennifer Harbison, RMC

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CERTIFICATION OF CLERK

The foregoing Ordinance was introduced at a meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe held on the 11th day of April 2022, and will be considered for final passage and adoption at a meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Monroe to be held on 25th day of April 2022 at the Municipal Building, 125 Virginia Avenue, Williamstown, New Jersey 08094, at which time any person interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard.

**Twp. Clerk, Aileen Chiselko, RMC
or Deputy Clerk, Jennifer Harbison, RMC**

ROLL CALL VOTE

1st Reading

	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Cncl. Falcone				
Cncl. Fox				
Cncl. Garbowski				
Cncl. McKinney				
Cncl. O'Reilly				
Cncl. Valcourt				
Cncl. Pres. Wolfe				
Tally:				

2nd Reading

	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Cncl. Falcone				
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Cncl. McKinney				
Cncl. O'Reilly				
Cncl. Valcourt				
Cncl. Pres. Wolfe				
Tally:				

The foregoing ordinance was hereby approved by the Mayor of the Township of Monroe on this _____ day of _____, 2022.

MAYOR RICHARD DiLUCIA