

**LAFAYETTE TOWNSHIP
SUSSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

ORDINANCE 2021-22

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 5, ANIMAL CONTROL,
OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF LAFAYETTE

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Lafayette, Sussex County, New Jersey that Chapter 5, Animal Control, of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Lafayette shall be and is hereby amended as follows:

Section 1. 5-1.1 – Definitions – to be amended to include the following:

DOMESTIC ANIMAL - Shall mean any cat, dog, hamster, rabbit, bird (other than poultry) and the like normally kept by humans for companionship.

LARGE ANIMAL - Shall mean cattle, horses, mules, sheep, goats, pigs, llamas, ostriches, bison, beasts of burden, or any other animal not considered a domestic animal and normally maintained for agricultural use.

POULTRY - Shall mean chickens, ducks, geese, turkeys, guinea fowl, pigeons, pheasants and all other fowl or winged animals.

Section 2. Section 5-15, Penalties and Violations, to be renamed LARGE ANIMALS AND POULTRY RUNNING AT LARGE and include the following:

- a. No person owning, keeping or harboring any large animal or poultry shall suffer or permit such animal or fowl to run at large in, upon, or through any public, quasi-public, or private street, public park or recreation area, public building, or any other public place or place to which the public is invited and no person owning, keeping or harboring any large animal or poultry shall suffer or permit such animal or fowl to run at large in, upon, or through any private property without the authority of the owner of the private property.
- b. When a large animal or poultry has been impounded for running at large, the Animal Control Officer shall file a complaint of this violation in the Municipal Court.
- c. The owner of any large animal or poultry shall maintain enclosures or standard agricultural fencing as may be required to prevent large animals or poultry from running at large.

Section 3. Section 5-16, Enforcement, to be renamed PENALTIES AND VIOLATIONS and 5-16(b) to be retitled Dogs, Large Animals and Poultry Running at Large.

Section 4. Section 17, (Reserved), to be renamed ENFORCEMENT.

NOTICE

The above entitled Ordinance was introduced and passed at first reading by the Lafayette Township Committee at a meeting on September 21, 2021 and after publication and a public hearing was finally adopted by the Lafayette Township Committee at a meeting held on October 5, 2021.

Mayor:

Municipal Clerk: