

**TOWNSHIP OF FAIRFIELD  
ORDINANCE #2017-21**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TOWNSHIP CODE OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF FAIRFIELD SO AS TO AMEND AND  
SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 5, ARTICLE 3, ENTITLED  
“LICENSING OF DOGS AND CATS”**

**WHEREAS**, The Township of Fairfield finds it necessary to update and provide additional regulations in the licensing of dogs and cats; and

**WHEREAS**, The Township of Fairfield further finds that the additional provisions in the licensing of dogs and cats is in the interest of public health and safety; and

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the Governing Body to amend Chapter 5, Article 3 of the Township’s Animal Control Ordinance to expand upon the requirements of the licensing of dogs and cats.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Fairfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 5, Article 3, of the Township Code of the Township of Fairfield entitled “Licensing of Dogs and Cats,” shall be amended to read in its entirety as follows:

**5-3.6 License, When Required.**

Licenses shall be required for the following dogs and cats of licensing age:

- a. Any dog or cat owned or kept within the township by a resident of the township on the first day of January of any calendar year.
- b. Any dog or cat acquired by any person during the course of any calendar year and kept within the township for more than ten (10) days after acquisition.
- c. Any dog attaining licensing age during the course of the calendar year.
- d. Any unlicensed dog brought into the township by any person and kept within the township for more than ten (10) days.
- e. Any dog licensed by another state brought into the township by any person and kept within the township for more than ninety (90) days.

**5-3.7 Application for License.**

- a. Each application for a license under this chapter shall give the following information:

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1. A general description of the dog sought to be licensed, including breed, sex, age, color and markings, and whether such dog is of a long or short-haired variety.
2. Name, street and post office address of the owner of and the person who shall keep or harbor such dog.

b. Registration numbers shall be issued in the order in which applications are received.

### 5-3.8 Records of Licenses.

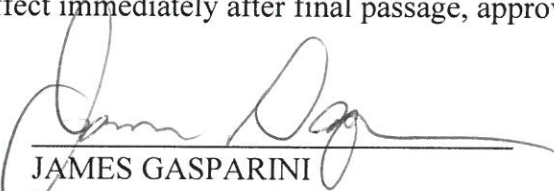
The information on all applications under this chapter and the registration number issued to each licensed dog shall be preserved for a period of three (3) years by the Township

Clerk/Administrator. In addition, he shall forward similar information to the State Department of Health each month on forms furnished by the Department.

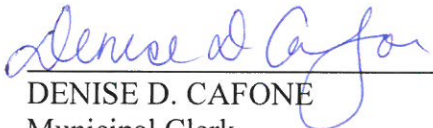
**SECTION 2.** All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 3.** If any section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall apply only to that section, paragraph, subdivision, clause or provision so adjudged, and the remainder of this ordinance shall be deemed to be valid and effective.

**SECTION 4.** This ordinance shall take effect immediately after final passage, approval and publication as required by law.

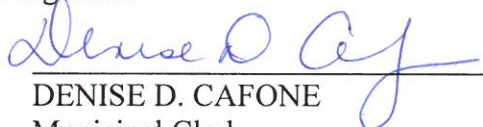
  
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JAMES GASPARINI  
Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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DENISE D. CAFONE  
Municipal Clerk

### NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was submitted in writing at a meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Township of Fairfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, held on December 11, 2017 introduced and read by title and passed first reading and that said Governing Body will further consider the same for second reading and final passage thereof at a meeting that is to be held on December 26, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.; at the Municipal Building, 230 Fairfield Road, Fairfield, New Jersey, at which time and place a public hearing will be held thereon by the Governing Body and all persons and citizens of interest shall have an opportunity to be heard concerning same.

  
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DENISE D. CAFONE  
Municipal Clerk

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**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE:**

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**INTRODUCED BY: Councilman LaForgia**  
**SECONDED BY: Councilman Cifelli**  
**PUBLISHED: December 14, 2017**

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

GOVERNING BODY	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	NOT VOTING
COUNCILPRESIDENT MICHAEL B. MCGLYNN	X				
COUNCILMAN JOSEPH CIFELLI	X				
COUNCILMAN JOHN LAFORGIA	X				
COUNCILMAN THOMAS J. MORGAN	X				
MAYOR JAMES GASPARINI	X				

**2<sup>ND</sup> READING AND PUBLIC HEARING: December 26, 2017**

**INTRODUCED BY: Council President McGlynn**  
**SECONDED BY: Councilman LaForgia**  
**PUBLISHED: January 4, 2017**

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

GOVERNING BODY	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	NOT VOTING
COUNCILPRESIDENT MICHAEL B. MCGLYNN	X				
COUNCILMAN JOSEPH CIFELLI	X				
COUNCILMAN JOHN LAFORGIA	X				
COUNCILMAN THOMAS J. MORGAN	X				
MAYOR JAMES GASPARINI	X				