

ORDINANCE NO 1-21

**CLIFFORD TOWNSHIP
SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
LITTERING ORDINANCE**

The purpose of this Ordinance of Clifford Township is to prohibit the deposit of waste and litter from being discarded improperly within the limits of Clifford Township. Moreover, it is guarantee the efficient, orderly and cost effective operation of the township recycling program.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Clifford, County of Susquehanna and of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, as follows:

WHEREAS, there has been an increase in littering within the Township and more specifically the deposit and accumulation of rubbish around the recycling receptacles and within the grounds of Clifford Township.

WHEREAS, This behavior endangers the public's enjoyment of township properties and negatively impacts the Township recycling program requiring increased costs for clean up, deposit and transportation of wastes

WHEREAS, without further action and enforcement littering would result in the economic detriment such that it would exceed the benefit of the recycling program and it continues to threaten the overall viability of that program.

ADOPTION OF LITTERING ORDINANCE

Section 101 TITLE. This ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the Littering Ordinance.

DEFINITIONS

1.Litter - For the purposes of this Ordinance, the term "Litter" means all waste materials including but not limited to; Bottles, glass, tobacco products, crockery, cans, scrap metal, junk, paper, garbage, rubbish, offal, (except waste parts or remains

resulting from the normal field dressing of lawfully harvested wild game of the lawful use of waste parts of remains of wild game as bait), old automobiles or parts of automobiles of similar refuse, or disposable packages or containers thrown or deposited, but not including the wastes of the primary process of mining, logging, saw milling, farming or manufacturing. It shall also include recyclable materials that are left or abandoned on public property.

Section 102 INTENT AND AUTHORITY. The purpose of this ordinance are as follows:

No person shall throw, drop, deposit, discard, dump or otherwise dispose of litter in any matter or amount:

1. In or on any public highway, road, street, alley, public right-of-way or other public lands or upon any privately owned property except when placed in designated containers in accordance with the standards established by the Clifford Township Waste Collection, Recycling and Disposal Ordinance as amended.
2. In any fresh water lake, river, stream, or on ice over these waters. When litter is thrown or discarded from a water craft, both the operator of the water craft and the person actually disposing of the litter are in violation of this Ordinance.
3. It is a violation of this section to deposit or otherwise lay any litter next to or adjacent to any recycling container or dumpster which is filled or otherwise closed or sealed.
4. A violation of this Ordinance shall be reported to law enforcement. Each littering offense will be subject to a \$300.00 fine.
5. Notice is hereby provided that Township Recycling Facilities may be subject to video surveillance. Use of the facilities the premises upon which recycling activities are being conducted constitutes acknowledgment and consent of such video surveillance.