Ordinance #18-05 Improper Disposal of Waste Ordinance

SECTION I. Purpose:

An ordinance to prohibit the spilling, dumping, or disposal of materials other than stormwater to the municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) operated by the [insert name of municipality], so as to protect public health, safety and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for the failure to comply.

SECTION II. Definitions:
For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words, and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this Chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words used in the plural number include the singular number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word “shall” is always mandatory and not merely directory.

a. Municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4)—a conveyance or system of conveyances (including roads with drainage systems, municipal streets, catch basins, curbs, gutters, ditches, manmade channels, or storm drains) that is owned or operated by [insert name of municipality] or other public body, and is designed and used for collecting and conveying stormwater. NOTE: In municipalities with combined sewer systems, add the following: “MS4s do not include combined sewer systems, which are sewer systems that are designed to carry sanitary sewage at all times and to collect and transport stormwater from streets and other sources.”

b. Person—any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.

c. Stormwater—water resulting from precipitation (including rain and snow) that runs off the land’s surface, is transmitted to the subsurface, is captured by separate storm sewers or other sewerage or drainage facilities, or is conveyed by snow removal equipment.

SECTION III. Prohibited Conduct:
The spilling, dumping, or disposal of materials other than stormwater to the municipal separate storm sewer system operated by [insert name of municipality] is prohibited. The spilling, dumping, or disposal of materials other than stormwater in such a manner as to cause the discharge of pollutants to the municipal separate storm sewer system is also prohibited.

SECTION IV. Exceptions to Prohibition:
a. Water line flushing and discharges from potable water sources
b. Uncontaminated ground water (e.g., infiltration, crawl space or basement
   sump pumps, foundation or footing drains, rising ground waters)
c. Air conditioning condensate (excluding contact and non-contact cooling
   water)
d. Irrigation water (including landscape and lawn watering runoff)
e. Flows from springs, riparian habitats and wetlands, water reservoir discharges
   and diverted stream flows
f. Residential car washing water, and residential swimming pool discharges
g. Sidewalk, driveway and street wash water
h. Flows from fire fighting activities
i. Flows from rinsing of the following equipment with clean water:
   Beach maintenance equipment immediately following their use for
   their intended purposes; and
   Equipment used in the application of salt and de-icing materials
   immediately following salt and de-icing material applications. Prior
   to rinsing with clean water, all residual salt and de-icing materials
   must be removed from equipment and vehicles to the maximum
   extent practicable using dry cleaning methods (e.g., shoveling and
   sweeping). Recovered materials are to be returned to storage for
   reuse or properly discarded.
   Rinsing of equipment, as noted in the above situation is limited to
   exterior, undercarriage, and exposed parts and does not apply to
   engines or other enclosed machinery.

SECTION V. Enforcement:
This ordinance shall be enforced by the [Police Department and/or other
Municipal Officials of Upper Saddle River].

SECTION VI. Penalties:
Any person(s) who continues to be in violation of the provisions of this
ordinance, after being duly notified, shall be subject to a fine not to exceed $1,000
or imprisonment in the county jail for a term not exceeding 90 days or a period of
community service not exceeding 90 days.

SECTION VII. Severability:
Each section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase of this Ordinance is
declared to be an independent section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase,
and the finding or holding of any such portion of this Ordinance to be
unconstitutional, void, or ineffective for any cause, or reason, shall not affect any
other portion of this Ordinance.

SECTION VIII. Effective date:
This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and any
publication as may be required by law.
The above Ordinance was introduced at a Mayor and Council meeting on November 9, 2005 and passed its first reading and will be considered for final passage at a meeting of the said Mayor and Council to be held on December 14, 2005 at 8:00 PM at the Cavallini School Auditorium, West Saddle River Road, Upper Saddle River, NJ, at which time and place all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning same.

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Borough Clerk