



Township Council

c/o Township Clerk
Teaneck, NJ 07666

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ORDINANCE (ID # 6333)

Ordinance No. 34-2020 AMENDING CHAPTER 21, HEALTH AND SANITATION, OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TEANECK TO ADD ARTICLE VII RESPECTING FIRST AID, RESCUE AND AMBULANCE SQUADS BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Council of the Township of Teaneck that Ordinance #34-2020 pass upon second and final reading and that the Township Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to advertise the same according to law and to provide the appropriate notices in accordance with law.

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HISTORY:

12/08/20 Township Council INTRODUCED

RESULT:	ADOPTED BY CONSENT VOTE [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	James Dunleavy, Mayor
SECONDER:	Michael S Pagan, Councilman
AYES:	Katz, Schwartz, Orgen, Dunleavy, Rice, Kaplan, Pagan

TOWNSHIP OF TEANECK
BERGEN COUNTY, NJ

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WHEREAS the Township of Teaneck wishes to establish licensing and standards for the operation of first aid, rescue, and ambulance squads within the Township of Teaneck to ensure that these squads operate in a safe manner while leaving the township free from liability.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Teaneck, Bergen County, New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 21, Health and Sanitation, of the Code of the Township of Teaneck is hereby amended to add thereto Article VII to read in full as follows:

“Article VII - First Aid, Rescue and Ambulance Squads

Sec. 21-49 - Definitions

The following definitions shall apply to this Article:

First Aid, Rescue, or Ambulance Squad means an agency, association or other entity which provides first aid, rescue or ambulance services, whether or not it receives remuneration for such services.

Sec. 21-50 - Licenses

- A. Any first aid, rescue or ambulance squad which directly serves residents of the Township of Teaneck or which responds or is called to respond to medical emergencies occurring within the Township of Teaneck, shall be required to obtain an annual license from the Health Officer of the Teaneck Department of Health and pay the annual license fee as set forth in this Article or as may be amended from time to time pursuant to the current fee ordinance of the Township of Teaneck.
- B. Upon issuance of a license, the licensee shall receive a decal which shall be affixed to the windshield of each vehicle used to directly serve residents of the Township of Teaneck or to respond to medical emergencies occurring within the Township of Teaneck evidencing that such first aid, rescue or ambulance squad is

properly licensed and that the vehicle has been inspected in accordance with this Article.

- C. The Township of Teaneck shall charge an annual license fee of \$10.00 plus \$5.00 for each decal issued.

Sec. 21-51 - Requirements

- A. Any first aid, rescue or ambulance squad which is required to be licensed under this Article shall have their rescue equipment and vehicle inspected by the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services or the EMS Council of NJ on an annual basis. No first aid, rescue or ambulance squad required to be licensed under this Article shall operate within the Township of Teaneck unless its vehicles and equipment pass the inspection of the State for certification of vehicle(s), equipment and personnel as required under N.J.A.C. 8:40-2.5(d).
- B. This inspection is not required for first aid, rescue or ambulance squads which do not directly serve residents of the Township of Teaneck and respond to medical emergencies occurring within the Township of Teaneck but which do transport individuals from other municipalities to medical facilities within the Township of Teaneck or to such individuals' residences within the Township of Teaneck.
- C. All active members of any first aid, rescue or ambulance squad members who operate within the Township of Teaneck must maintain the following Certifications/Licenses.
 - 1. A valid CPR certification at the level of "professional rescuer" as approved by The NJ Department of Health - Office of Emergency Medical Services.
 - 2. Bloodborne Pathogens (BBP).
 - 3. NJ Driver's License.
 - 4. EMT [Must maintain as per NJ Department of Health requirements]
- D. The Coordinator of the Teaneck Office of Emergency Management or his/her designee shall serve as the individual responsible for monitoring first aid, rescue and ambulance squads required to be licensed under this Article. The Coordinator of the Teaneck Office of Emergency Management is authorized to establish rules and regulations concerning the inspection of these vehicles. No fee shall be charged for these inspections by the Township of Teaneck.

Sec. 21-52 - Indemnification and Insurance.

No first aid, rescue or ambulance squad required to be licensed under this Article shall receive a license to operate within the Township of Teaneck without first executing an agreement with the Township that it will defend, indemnify and hold the Township harmless against liability for any and all claims for damage to property or injury to or death of persons arising out of or resulting from the operation of the first aid, rescue or ambulance squad within the Township of Teaneck. All first aid, rescue or ambulance squads required to be licensed under this Article shall maintain a general liability insurance policy in the amount of \$2,000,000, which shall name the Township of Teaneck as an additional named insured.

Sec. 21-53 - Compliance with other licensing requirements

All ambulances or other vehicles used by a first aid, rescue or ambulance squad required to be licensed under this Article to transport individuals for medical assistance shall meet all relevant and applicable standards adopted by the State of New Jersey Office of Emergency Medical Services (OEMS) for licensing ambulances, as set forth in N.J.A.C. 8:40-1.1 et seq. Compliance with this section may be demonstrated by participating in any voluntary inspection program offered by OEMS.

Sec. 21-54 - Violations and penalties.

A first aid, rescue or ambulance squad in violation of any section of this Article shall be subject to the general penalties set forth in § 1-6 <<https://ecode360.com/8633703>> of the Code of the Township of Teaneck.”

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY

If any section, sentence, clause or other portion of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, shall for any reason be adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such judgment shall not affect, impair or repeal the remainder of this ordinance.

SECTION 3. INCONSISTENCY

All ordinances or parts thereof, inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days following adoption and publication as required by law.

ATTEST:

Doug Ruccione
Township Clerk

Dr. James Dunleavy,
Mayor