

**TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON  
ORDINANCE NO. 1823-2016\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 105 ANIMALS  
OF THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON,  
PROVIDING FOR ANNUAL LICENSING FEES**

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee has determined that it is in the best interest of the Township to provide a longer period of time to pay their annual dog and cat license fee; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Hamilton, County of Atlantic, State of New Jersey, that Article I and Article IV of Chapter 105 of the Township Code, titled Animals, shall be amended as follows:

**SECTION 1.**

Amend Article I, Regulations and Control of Dogs and Other Animals Subsection 105-4 B. Annual license fee. by deleting it in its entirety and replacing it with a new Subsection 105-4 B. Annual license fee. to read as follows:

**B.** Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection A hereinabove, licensees shall be charged an annual dog license fee of \$7 for spayed/neutered dogs and \$10 for nonspayed/nonneutered dogs under the following circumstances:

- (1) When the licensee preregisters between January 1 and April 30 of each year.
- (2) When the dog owner becomes a new resident of the Township of Hamilton during a given calendar year after January 31.
- (3) When the dog to be licensed is less than six months old on April 30 of a given calendar year or the dog is born subsequent to April 30 of a given calendar year.

**SECTION 2.**

Amend Article IV, Cats by deleting Sub-section 105-13 License fee; delinquent fee. in its entirety and replacing it with a new sub-section 105-13. License fee; delinquent fee. to read as follows:

**105-13. License fee; delinquent fee.**

A license shall be issued after a payment of an annual fee of \$5 for each cat, which license shall be obtained by January 31, of each year. Persons who fail to obtain a license as required prior to April 30<sup>th</sup> of each year will be subject to a delinquent fee of \$3 for each cat.

**SECTION 3. Severability and Effectiveness Clause.**

- (a) If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, invalid, or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance.
- (b) Any Ordinance inconsistent with the terms of this Ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**SECTION 4. Effective Date.**

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication as provided by in law.

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ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF HAMILTON,  
ATLANTIC COUNTY, NJ

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Rita Martino, RMC, CMR  
Township Clerk

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Roger Silva, Mayor

COMMITTEE MEMBER	MOTION	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
GATTO					
GUISHARD					
KURTZ					
SCHENKER					
MAYOR SILVA					

FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION: June 6, 2016

FINAL READING AND ADOPTION: