

CITY OF ENGLEWOOD

ORDINANCE #25-49

AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING AND AMENDING CHAPTER 106, ARTICLE IV OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ENGLEWOOD, ENTITLED PET WASTE

BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Englewood, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION I. Purpose:

An ordinance to establish requirements for the proper disposal of pet solid waste in the City of Englewood to protect the environment, public health, safety and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for 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 consistent 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. “Owner/Keeper” means any person who shall possess, maintain, house or harbor any pet or otherwise have custody of any pet, whether or not the owner of such pet.
- B. “Person” means any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.
- C. “Pet” means any domesticated animal kept for companionship.
- D. “Pet solid waste” means feces from any domesticated animal.
- E. “Proper disposal” means placement in a designated waste receptacle, or other suitable container which is regularly emptied by the municipality or some other refuse collector; or disposal into a system designed to convey domestic sewage for proper treatment and disposal.

SECTION III. Regulated Activities:

All pet owners and keepers are required to immediately and properly dispose of their pet’s solid waste deposited on any property, public or private, not owned or possessed by that person.

SECTION IV. Exemptions:

Any owner or keeper who requires the use of a disability assistance animal for disabilities such as vision or hearing loss, or other physical disabilities, shall be exempt from the provisions of this section while such animal is being used for that purpose. This exemption is not applicable to pets that are exclusively emotional support animals.

SECTION V. Enforcement:

The provisions of this Article shall be enforced by the Police Department, the Department of Public Works and the Board of Health of the City of Englewood.

SECTION VI. Violations and Penalties:

Any person(s) who is found to be in violation of the provisions of this article shall be subject to a fine of no less than \$250 and no more than \$1,000.

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.

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RECORD OF VOTE

FIRST READING DATE: November 12, 2025

COUNCIL	MOTION	VOTE
David		AB
Rosenzweig		Y
Tokayer		Y
Wilson	X	Y
Wisotsky		Y

DATE PUBLISHED IN THE RECORD: November 18, 2025

DATES PUBLIC HEARINGS HELD: November 25, 2025

DATE SECOND READING HELD: November 25, 2025

COUNCIL	MOTION	OPEN	MOTION	CLOSE	MOTION	ADOPT
David						
Rosenzweig						
Tokayer						
Wilson						
Wisotsky						

Y=YES N=OPPOSED A=ABSTAINED AB=ABSENT

PRESENTED TO MAYOR:

APPROVED _____

REJECTED _____ (VETO)

MAYOR MICHAEL WILDES

DATE: _____

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact
copy of an Ordinance adopted and approved by the
Mayor and Council of the City of Englewood.

Yancy Wazirmas, RMC
City Clerk