

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-19

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF STAFFORD, COUNTY OF OCEAN,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY, AMENDING CHAPTER 153 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE,
ENTITLED "PEACE AND GOOD ORDER"**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the governing body of the Township of Stafford, County of Ocean, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. The Township Code of the Township of Stafford is hereby amended and supplemented so as to amend Chapter 153, entitled "Peace and Good Order" so as to amend §153-110 entitled "Illegal possession or use of fireworks" in its entirety so that it shall read as follows:

§ 153-110. Illegal possession or use of fireworks.

A. Prohibition. It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, possess or use fireworks with the Township of Stafford, unless specifically permitted and properly licensed under Chapter 110 of this Township Code. Said prohibited fireworks shall include but not be limited to firecrackers, roman candles, bombs, shells and mortars, multiple tube devices, rockets, and other devices of similar construction.

B. Exceptions. Notwithstanding Subsection A above, it shall be lawful for a person to offer for sale, sell, possess, or use:

(1) A toy pistol, toy cane, toy gun, or other device in which paper or plastic caps containing 0.25 grains or less of explosive compound per cap are used, providing they are so constructed that the hand cannot come in contact with the cap when in place for use, and toy pistol paper or plastic caps which contain less than 0.20 grains of explosive mixture per cap;

(2) Sparkling devices and novelties as defined in N.J.S.A. 21:2-2, including but not limited to hand held or ground based sparklers, snakes, and glow worms; smoke devices; and trick noisemakers, including party poppers, snappers, and drop pops, if the person is 16 years of age or older.

SECTION 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall take effect after second reading and publication as required by law.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the foregoing ordinance was introduced and passed by the Township Council on first reading at a meeting of the Township Council of the Township of Stafford held on the 10th day of May, 2022, and will be considered for second reading and final passage at a regular meeting of the Township Council to be held on the 24th day of May, 2022 at 7:00 p.m., at the Municipal Building, located at 260 East Bay Avenue, Manahawkin, New Jersey, at which time and place any persons desiring to be heard upon the same will be given the opportunity to be so heard.


LINDA MARTIN
Township Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Linda Martin, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Stafford, do hereby certify that the foregoing ordinance was duly adopted on second reading by the Stafford Township Council at a meeting held on the 24th day of May, 2022.



Linda Martin, RMC

Stafford Township

Municipal Clerk