

**TOWNSHIP OF WANTAGE
ORDINANCE # 03-2023**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING
THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCE OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF WANTAGE, CHAPTER V “LICENSING OF
DOGS” ADDING SECTION 5-5 TO LIMIT THE NUMBER
OF DOGS.**

WHEREAS, the Township of Wantage desires to amend and supplement the provisions of Chapter V “Licensing of Dogs” of the Wantage Revised General Ordinances.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Wantage, County of Sussex, State of New Jersey as follows:

Section 1.

Chapter V “Licensing of Dogs”, Section 5-5 “Limitations” shall be added to the General Ordinances of the Township of Wantage.

§5-5 Limitation.

§5-5.1 Limitation on Number of Dogs, Exceptions. It shall be deemed unlawful and a public nuisance for there to be kept or maintained six or more dogs in or upon any residentially zoned property in the Township of Wantage. This section shall not, however, be applicable to a litter of pups kept or maintained in or upon any such property within six calendar months of birth. Any owner or occupant of such residentially zoned property wherein six or more dogs are kept shall be deemed to have violated this section.

§5-5.2 If on the effective date of this Section 5-5, six or more dogs are being kept or maintained in or upon any residentially zoned property, the dogs then being kept or maintained on the residentially zoned property may continue to be kept or maintained. No new or additional dogs will be permitted to be kept or maintained except in conformance with this Section 5-5.

Section 2.

All other parts, portions and provisions of Chapter V of the Township of Wantage Code, be and the same, are hereby ratified and confirmed, except where inconsistent with the terms thereof. In the event of any such inconsistency, the terms of this Ordinance shall be deemed to govern.

Section 3.

If any section, paragraph, sub-section, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof.

Section 4.

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication according to law.

Jon Morris , Mayor
Township of Wantage

ATTEST:

Michael Restel, Acting Municipal Clerk
Township of Wantage

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