Chapter 162, LITTERING

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Laurel Springs 6-17-1929 by Ord. No. 119 (Ch. 52 of the 1973 Code); amended 6-25-1973. Subsequent amendments noted where applicable.

GENERAL REFERENCES

Brush, grass and weeds -- See Ch. 83.

Garbage, rubbish and refuse -- See Ch. 146.

Nuisances -- See Ch. 178.

Property maintenance -- See Ch. 193.

Solid waste -- See Ch. 224.

§ 162-1. Definitions.

For the purposes of this chapter, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meaning given herein: GARBAGE — Putrescible animal and vegetable wastes resulting from the handling, preparation, cooking and consumption of food. LITTER — Includes garbage, refuse and rubbish, as defined herein, and all other waste material which, if thrown or deposited as herein prohibited, tends to create a danger to public health, safety and welfare.

PUBLIC PLACE -- Any and all streets, sidewalks, boulevards, alleys or other public ways, and any and all public parks, squares, spaces, grounds and buildings.

REFUSE - All putrescible and nonputrescible solid wastes (except body wastes), including garbage, rubbish, ashes, street cleanings, dead animals and solid market and industrial wastes.

RUBBISH -- Nonputrescible solid wastes consisting of both combustible and noncombustible wastes, such as paper wrappings, cigarettes, cardboard, tin cans, yard clippings, leaves, wood, glass, bedding, crockery and similar materials.

VEHICLE -- Any device in, upon or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a highway, including devices used exclusively upon stationary rails or tracks.

§ 162-2. Deposit of litter.

No person shall sweep, throw or deposit litter in or upon any occupied, open or vacant property, whether owned by such person or not, or in or upon any street, sidewalk, park or other public place, or any pond, lake, stream or any other body of water within the Borough, except in public receptacles, in authorized private receptacles for collection or in official Borough dumps. Persons placing litter in public receptacles or in authorized private receptacles shall do so in such a manner as to prevent it from being carried or deposited by the elements upon any street, sidewalk or other public place or upon private property.

§ 162-3. Maintenance of public and private property.

No person, including merchants owning or occupying a place of business, shall sweep into or deposit in any gutter, street, private parking lot or any other place within the Borough the accumulation of litter from any building or lot or from any public or private sidewalk or driveway. Persons owning or occupying private property shall be responsible for maintaining all of said property free of litter.

§ 162-4. Littering from vehicles.

No person, while a driver or passenger in a vehicle, shall throw or deposit litter upon any street or other public place within the Borough or upon any private property.

§ 162-5. Vehicle loads; tracking litter.

No person shall drive or move any truck or other vehicle within the Borough unless such vehicle is so constructed or loaded as to prevent any load, contents or litter from being blown or deposited upon any street, alley or other public place; nor shall any person drive or move any vehicle or truck within the Borough the wheels or tires of which carry onto or deposit in any street, alley or other public place mud, dirt, sticky substances, litter or foreign matter of any kind.

§ 162-6. Litter from outside Borough prohibited.

No person shall bring, cart, remove, transport or collect any litter from outside this Borough for the purpose of dumping or disposing thereof, in this Borough, unless authorized by the Borough.

§ 162-7. Private premises; storage exceptions.

The owner or person in control of any private property shall at all times maintain the premises free of litter; provided, however, that this section shall not prohibit the storage of litter in authorized private receptacles for collection.

§ 162-8. Violations and penalties.

Any person who commits, takes part or assists in any violation of this chapter shall, for each and every violation, be subject to the penalties provided in Chapter 1, § 1-15.