

ORDINANCE NO. 3700, As Amended

AN ORDINANCE AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN, COUNTY OF SOMERSET, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, MORE PARTICULARLY CHAPTER 115, DOGS AND OTHER ANIMALS, ARTICLE II, DOGS AND CATS, SECTION 115-8, LICENSING REQUIRED; FEES; TERM; NONTRANSFERABILITY. (INCREASE DOG LICENSE FEE FROM \$7.00 TO \$12.00, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2008)

SUMMARY

An Ordinance amending Chapter 115, Dogs and Other Animals, Section 115-8, Licensing Required; Fees; Term; Nontransferability, by increasing dog license fees from \$7.00 to \$12.00, effective January 1, 2008.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Franklin in the County of Somerset and State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION I.

The Municipal Code of the Township of Franklin, County of Somerset, New Jersey is hereby amended as follows:

CHAPTER 115 – DOGS AND OTHER ANIMALS

ARTICLE II – Dogs and Cats

§ 115-8. Licensing required; fees; term; nontransferability.

- A. Dogs shall be duly licensed and shall bear evidence of such license at all times, in accordance with the laws of the State of New Jersey. Any person who shall own, keep or harbor a dog of licensing age shall, in the month of January or as soon thereafter as such dog becomes of licensing age, license said dog.
- B. The annual fee for such license shall be ~~\$7~~ **\$12** (*effective January 1, 2008*) for each altered (spayed/neutered) dog and each unaltered dog, and in addition thereto, the sum of \$1.20 for the registration tag of each altered dog and \$4.20 for each unaltered dog.
- C. The owner or person keeping or harboring any dog may, if the license tag is mislaid, stolen or lost, procure a duplicate tag upon the payment of an additional \$2.
- D. Licenses, registration tags and renewals thereof shall expire on the last day of January of each year.
- E. Dog licenses are not transferable from one owner to another.
- F. Dogs used as guides for blind persons and commonly known as "Seeing-Eye" dogs, dogs used to assist handicapped persons and commonly known as "service dogs," or dogs used to assist deaf persons and commonly known as "hearing ear" dogs shall be licensed and registered as other dogs hereinabove for, except that the owner or keeper of such dog shall not be required to pay any fee therefor.

**SECTION II.
Severability.**

If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence or other part of this Ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid, such judgment shall not affect or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance, but shall be confined in its effect to the section, subsection, paragraph, sentence or other part of this Ordinance directly involved in the controversy in which said judgment shall

have been rendered and all other provisions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION III.
Inconsistent Ordinances Repealed.**

All ordinances or parts of ordinances which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed, but only to the extent of such inconsistencies.

**SECTION IV.
Effective Date.**

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final adoption and publication in the manner prescribed by law.

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This is a true copy of an ordinance adopted by the Township of Franklin, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey.

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Public Hearing:	June 28, 2007
Tabled:	June 28, 2007
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Effective:	January 1, 2008

Ann Marie McCarthy, Township Clerk