

**TOWNSHIP OF EASTAMPTON
BURLINGTON COUNTY**

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-7

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TOWNSHIP CODE AT
ARTICLE IV, SECTION 103 REGARDING GENERAL
ZONING REGULATIONS TO ADDRESS THE USE
OF PORTABLE STORAGE UNITS (PODS)**

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township Council of the Township of Eastampton, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that Article IV, Section 103 of the Township Zoning Code be amended as follows:

SECTION I

Add the following definition in the appropriate alphabetical order in Section 103-4 of the Township Code:

Portable Storage Unit

A unit greater in dimension than three feet in length by three feet in width by three feet in height rented or owned or for use by the property owner or occupant for storage of personal items or used for the packing or storage of items for permanently moving to or from the residence or for temporarily storing items during a renovation to the main residences or for the disposal of demolition debris. Portable storage units include, but are not limited to, sea boxes, bulk storage containers, portable on-demand storage containers, store-to-door mobile transportation storage containers, roll-off containers or other such similar containers. For purposes of this chapter, trash dumpsters shall be deemed a portable storage unit

SECTION II

Add new section 103-9 (S) as follows:

103-9. Regulations Applicable to all Districts

103-9 (S) Portable storage units.

(1) **Permit required; application fee; exception for new residential construction.**

Before placing a portable storage unit (“POD”) on any residential property, the property owner must submit an application and receive a permit from the Township. There shall be a fee of \$25 for a thirty-day permit. Applications shall be obtained from the Zoning Officer. Exempted from the permitting requirements of this subsection shall be PODS utilized for new residential construction in new developments under construction; such units shall be removed from the new residential dwelling lot within 30 days of the issuance of the certificate of occupancy.

(2) **Duration.** Permits will be granted for a period of 30 days. Prior to the expiration of the thirty-day period, applicants may seek to extend their permits for an additional 30 days by seeking an extension with the Township Zoning Officer. Extension of a permit will cost \$25 for each 30 days granted. In no event shall a permit with extensions be granted for more than 90 days except upon approval by the Township Zoning Officer for good cause shown.

(3) **Placement of POD.**

- a) No temporary storage unit shall be placed or maintained by any private party on any Township property, street or right-of-way, except that such a unit may be placed in a street right-of-way subject to the following conditions:
 - i. Approved by the Eastampton Police Department.
 - ii. Unit shall be marked with reflective striping.
 - iii. Applicant must demonstrate there are no viable locations on-site.
- b) **Private property.** Portable storage units are prohibited from being placed on or in the front yard of a property and shall only be permitted in the driveway of the property at the furthest accessible point from the street. All locations must be paved off-street surfaces.

4) Number of units. Only one portable storage unit may be placed on any residential property at one time. In addition, one trash dumpster may be placed on a residential property.

5) No portable storage unit shall be used to store solid waste, construction debris, demolition debris, recyclable materials, business inventory or commercial goods, except as may be approved by permit.

6) Storage of hazardous materials within the portable storage unit is prohibited.

7) Portable storage units shall be locked and secured by the property owner, tenant or property manager at all times when loading or unloading is not taking place.

8) Portable storage units shall be no greater than eight feet in height, 18 feet in length and eight feet in width or no greater than a total of 1,200 cubic feet.

9) In an emergency situation, such as storm, fire or flood damage, the Zoning

Officer may approve a temporary location for a portable storage unit subject to the owner or tenant of the property making an application for the required permit within five business days of the emergency. In emergency situations, the Zoning Officer may also approve more than one storage unit and more than one trash dumpster per residential property.

SECTION III.

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 IV.

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and any publication as may be required by law.

SECTION V.

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

ATTEST:

Kim-Marie White
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Municipal Clerk

Jay Springer
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Mayor

Adopted: April 26, 2010