

**BOROUGH OF BERGENFIELD
PUBLIC NOTICE**

ORDINANCE 18-2531 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 227 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF BERGENFIELD, ENTITLED “PEDDLING & SOLICITING”

was introduced at a Regular Public Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bergenfield, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey, held on Tuesday, August 21, 2018 and will be further considered for final passage after public hearing at a meeting of the Mayor and Council to be held in the Executive Council Chambers, Bergenfield Municipal Center, 198 North Washington Avenue, Bergenfield, New Jersey on Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at 8:00 p.m. prevailing time, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard.

A clear and concise statement is to establish a “No Knock List” to be distributed to peddlers and solicitors as set forth in the ordinance.

A copy of this ordinance may be obtained without cost between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the office of the Borough Clerk, 198 North Washington Avenue, Bergenfield, New Jersey.

Marie Quinones, RMC
Borough Clerk

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**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 227 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF BERGENFIELD,
ENTITLED "PEDDLING AND SOLICITING"**

WHEREAS, Chapter 227 of the Code of the Borough of Bergenfield sets forth all regulations regarding Peddling and Soliciting within the Borough of Bergenfield; and,

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bergenfield, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey that those portions of the aforesaid set forth below are hereby amended as follows and that those portions of the Ordinance not set forth below shall remain unchanged.

Chapter 227: Peddling and Soliciting

227-2. entitled License Required.

It shall be unlawful for any person to engage in the business of a peddler within the corporate limits of the Borough without first obtaining a license. All fees associated with obtaining a license including but not limited to background checks from the State Police are at the sole cost and expense of the peddler. Peddlers shall not be allowed to solicit within the Borough without a "No Knock List" provided by the Borough setting forth the names and addresses of property owners the peddler is prohibited from soliciting.

A. All residents of the Borough may register their name, address and/or unit/apartment number with the Borough Clerk to be placed on a No-Knock List, indicating that they do not want canvassers/solicitors of any sort to approach their homes and/or seek personal contact with the occupants of the registered residence. The Borough Clerk shall provide the registration form which shall be available during normal business hours on online. By registering for the No-Knock List, the resident acknowledges that the Borough police, fire and other emergency service groups are exempt from the requirements of this section.

B. The Borough Clerk shall maintain a No-Knock List, a copy of which shall be provided to all persons or organizations required to obtain a license or register pursuant to this chapter. Registrants shall remain on the No-Knock List for a period of five years from the date of registration or until such time as they advise the Borough Clerk, in writing, that they wish to be removed from the list. The Borough Clerk shall ensure that the list is updated periodically.

C. Upon completion of registration on the No-Knock List, the subscriber may purchase and receive, for a fee of One (\$1.00) Dollar, a decal stating "DO NOT KNOCK; Registered on the No-Knock List with the Borough of Bergenfield Borough Clerk; VIOLATORS WILL BE PROSECUTED". The decal shall be placed in a clearly visible location such as front door or window adjacent to the front door.

D. It shall be unlawful for any canvasser/solicitor to approach and/or seek personal contact with the occupants of any residence if that residence is registered on the No-Knock List. Anyone violating this subsection shall, upon conviction thereof, be subject to fines and penalties in accord with Section 227-9 entitled Violations and penalties.

Severability All provisions of this Ordinance are severable. If for any reason, any provision of this Ordinance is held to be invalid, the validity of the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected.

Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective upon final approval and publication, pursuant to law, and upon completion of all outstanding cases.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced at a meeting of the Borough of Bergenfield on the _____ day of _____, 2018 and passed on first reading, and the same was ordered for final passage at a meeting of the Council to be held at the Municipal Building in the Borough of Bergenfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, on the _____ day of _____, 2018 at 8 p.m., at which time and place all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning such Ordinance.

Borough Clerk