

TOWNSHIP OF BURLINGTON

ORDINANCE

2026-OR-013

**ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF BURLINGTON
AMENDING CHAPTER 584 "WATER" §584-10
"FIRE/FLOW/PRESSURE TESTING; PERMIT
REQUIRED"**

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works has requested that Chapter 584 § 584-10 pertaining to water use relating to fire testing be amended to reflect the actual costs incurred and to require reimbursement in the event there is any damage to the municipal water system resulting from the testing, and the administration requests that the governing body make the requested changes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED and ENACTED by the Township Council of the Township of Burlington that Chapter 584 "Water" § 584-10 "Fire flow/pressure testing; permit required" is hereby amended as follows:

1. Subsection A. shall state: "No person, firm or corporation shall perform a fire flow/pressure test or fire pump flow test, including testing for maintenance purposes, which requires the use of potable water, for any building in the Township without first applying to the Water Superintendent for a permit, paying the applicable fee and receiving permit approval to conduct the test. No testing shall be performed unless a representative of the Water Department is present."
2. Subsections B.(1) and B.(2) shall state that the fee for appropriate personnel to observe the test is as follows: "(1) For water mains that are eight inches diameter or larger: \$1500 per test" and B.(2) "For water mains that are less than eight inches: \$750 per test."
3. Subsection C shall state: "These fees are based on a maximum test duration of two hours. Tests that exceed two hours duration will result in a bill charged being issued to the permittee based on \$200 per

hour, or fraction thereof, for the attendance of the representative(s) of the Water Department. Testing shall only be conducted Monday through Thursday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. through 1:00 p.m. and shall not be permitted during the months of June, July or August, unless approved by the Water Superintendent for special reasons.”

4. Subsection D shall state: “Any person, firm or corporation that violates this section will be subject to a fine in the amount of \$2000, in accordance with the general penalty provisions set forth in §§ 1-18 and 1-19, and shall reimburse the Township for expenses incurred to repair any damages caused to the water distribution system.”

This Ordinance was introduced at a meeting of the Township Council in the Township of Burlington held on June 9, 2026, and will be considered for final passage after a public hearing held at a Regular Meeting of the Township Council to be held on June 22, 2026, at the Township Municipal Building, Burlington Township, New Jersey at 7:00 p.m.

This will certify that the foregoing Ordinance was passed by a majority of the Burlington Township Council on June 22, 2026.

Mary E. Field
Municipal Clerk

George M. Kozub
President of Council