

ORDINANCE NO. 23-6
**AN ORDINANCE ADDING CHAPTER XXIII, FERAL AND FREE-ROAMING
CATS, TO THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF CARLSTADT**

DEFINITIONS:

As used in this article, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

Feral Cats

Cats living in an unsocialized or wild state.

Free-Roaming Cats

Cats which roam outdoors. They may be outdoor cats with an owner, stray cats, or feral cats.

Person

Any individual, corporation, partnership, organization or institution commonly recognized by law as a unit.

§. Prohibited conduct.

No person shall feed, house or attract any feral or free-roaming cat on any property, whether public or private.

§. Enforcement.

A. This article shall be enforced by the Code Enforcement Officer of the Borough of Carlstadt.

B. Any person found to be in violation of this article shall be ordered to cease the feeding, housing or attraction of any feral or free-roaming cat immediately.

§. Violations and penalties.

Any person who violates or fails or refuses to comply with this article shall be liable to a penalty of not less than \$25 per day, nor more than \$100 per day, that the violation exists. Violations shall be prosecuted in the Municipal Court of the Borough.

Effective Date

This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and publication, and filing with the Bergen County Planning Board, and as otherwise provided for by law.

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