

**AN ORDINANCE
TOWNSHIP OF MENDHAM
MORRIS COUNTY – NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO. 2016-5**

RE: AMENDING CHAPTER 21 “ZONING”, SECTION 4.4 “ACCESSORY USES”
SUBSECTION “I”

Whereas, numerous parcels of land in the Township of Mendham are in excess of ten (10) acres in size; and

Whereas, such spacious lots and parcels offer a generous buffer from neighboring properties so as to allow accessory uses that would be more burdensome on smaller parcels, and

Whereas, many residents of the Township of Mendham have hobby interests involving their pets, and

Whereas, in those instances where a pet owner resides on a larger lot it is reasonable to relax certain regulations pertaining to smaller parcels;

Now Therefore BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Mendham as follows:

SECTION ONE:

Chapter 21, Section 4.4 “Accessory Uses”, subsection I is repealed and replaced in its entirety as follows:

- I. On properties less than ten (10) acres in size an owner may, have, keep, and maintain as pets/hobby dogs a maximum of seven (7) dogs over twelve months old (adult dogs). On properties ten (10) acres in size or larger, the owner thereof may have, keep and maintain as pets/hobby dogs a maximum of fifteen (15) adult dogs. In all instances, dogs between the age of sixteen weeks (16) and twelve (12) months shall be considered puppies and in no event shall more than ten (10) such puppies be on the premises at any given time. Puppies under the age of sixteen (16) weeks are not regulated hereunder, however the property owner shall allow no greater than four (4) litters of puppies in any twelve month period.

SECTION TWO:

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason found to be

unconstitutional or unenforceable, such decision shall not affect the remaining portion of this ordinance.

SECTION THREE:

All ordinances of the Township of Mendham which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION FOUR:

This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication thereof as provided by law.

INTRODUCED:

ADVERTISED:

PUBLIC HEARING

ADOPTED:

ADVERTISED:

ATTEST:

**TOWNSHIP OF MENDHAM
IN THE COUNTY OF MORRIS**

Mary Beth Zichelli
Township Clerk

Frank Cioppettini
Mayor

