

**TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN**

**ORDINANCE 2022-25**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE III USE OF TOWNSHIP FACILITIES AND GROUNDS, SECTION 14 OF CHAPTER 226 OF THE TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN MODIFYING THE CLASSES OF USES AND FEES**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Pennsauken (“Township”) regulates the use and fees for Township owned grounds and facilities for the use and enjoyment of its residents and youths; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township sponsored youth organizations have grown tremendously in recent years causing a shortage fields and facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township seeks to give priority for the use of their designated facility or field to certain Township sponsored youth organizations predominately (90%) comprised of Township residents; and

**WHEREAS**, these Township sponsored youth organizations totally rely upon the use of Township owned facilities and fields; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township also seeks to waive fees for certain Township sponsored youth organizations predominately (90%) comprised of Township residents; and

**WHEREAS**, Pennsauken Youth Athletic Activities (PYAA), Merchantville/Pennsauken Little League and Softball (MPLL), and Pennsauken Youth Soccer Club (PYSC) are Township sponsored youth organizations which are comprised of 90% of Township residents and as such, the Township seeks to grant priority to these Township sponsored youth organizations to use Township designated facilities and fields; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township seeks to require all youth organizations wishing to utilize Township facilities and grounds to submit a permit application and certificate of insurance; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee seeks to amend the Classes of use and fees codified at Section 14 of Chapter 226 of the Pennsauken Township Code to refine the class of uses and fees for Township youth organization comprised of Township residents.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ADOPTED**, by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, County of Camden, State of New Jersey that Article III entitled “Use of Township Facilities and Grounds”- in Section 14 entitled “Classes of use and fees” of Chapter 226 of the Township Code entitled “Parks and Playgrounds” is hereby amended to read as follows (strikethroughs represent deletions, underlines represent additions):

§ 226-14**Classes of use and fees.**

**A.**

Class I.

**(1)**

No fee shall be charged for the use of Township grounds or facilities for Pennsauken Youth Athletic Activities (PYAA), Merchantville/Pennsauken Little League and Softball (MPLL), and Pennsauken Youth Soccer Club (PYSC), provided that the Township group/organization is comprised 90% of Pennsauken/Merchantville resident members and the event is solely for the use of Pennsauken/Merchantville resident youth, the only exception being the use of the municipal pool or Showmobile, where salaries must be paid.

**(2)**

Pennsauken Youth Athletic Activities (PYAA), Merchantville/Pennsauken Little League and Softball, Pennsauken Youth Soccer Club shall be given priority for use of their one designated

Township facility and/or field with its Pennsauken/Merchantville resident youth programs. These Township youth organizations can make application through the Pennsauken Parks and Recreation Department for additional field use based upon availability.

(3).

The PYAA, , Merchantville/Pennsauken Little League, Pennsauken Youth Soccer League, and any other program/organization shall be required to submit a permit application for use of any Township facility/grounds. They must submit a certificate of insurability with the application listing the Township of Pennsauken as an additional insured for the time(s) and date(s) being requested for the event and/or program.

(4).

A final complete roster shall be submitted with the application for a permit for use of fields. A field use permit will not be issued until a roster is provided.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that this ordinance shall take effect immediately after final passage and publication as provide by law.

TOWNSHIP OF PENNSAUKEN

PAMELA SCOTT-FORMAN  
TOWNSHIP CLERK

**STATEMENT**

Notice is hereby given that the foregoing proposed Ordinance was adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Pennsauken, Camden County, New Jersey at its regular meeting open to the public, on December 1, 2022, after a public hearing.