Chapter 168. Littering

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Township Council of the Township of Cedar Grove 5-19-1958, Ch. 13, Art. 3, of the former Revised Ordinances. Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES
Brush, grass and weeds — See Ch. 100.
Outdoor burning — See Ch. 107.
Garbage, rubbish and refuse — See Ch. 146.
Housing standards — See Ch. 158.
Public health nuisances — See Ch. 179.
Property maintenance — See Chs. 197 and 198.
Use of recreation areas — See Ch. 205.
Sewers — See Ch. 217.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY

§ 168-1. Definitions.

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

LITTER
Any used or unconsumed substance or waste material that has been discarded, whether made of aluminum, glass, plastic, rubber, paper or other natural or synthetic material, or any combination thereof, including, but not limited to, any bottle, jar or can, or any top, cap or detachable tab of any bottle, jar or can, any unlighted cigarette, cigar, match or any flaming or glowing material or any garbage, trash, refuse, debris, rubbish, grass clippings or other lawn or garden waste, newspapers, magazines, glass, metal, plastic or paper containers or other packaging or construction material, but does not include the waste of the primary processes of mining or other extraction processes, logging, sawmilling, farming or manufacturing.
[Added 9-11-2006 by Ord. No. 06-652]

LITTER RECEPTACLE
A container suitable for the depositing of litter.
[Added 9-11-2006 by Ord. No. 06-652]

PERSON
Any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association or political subdivision of this state subject to municipal jurisdiction.
[Added 9-11-2006 by Ord. No. 06-652]
PRIVATE PROPERTY or PRIVATE PREMISES
   Includes any noncommercial property or premises used for residential or recreational purposes.
   [Added 9-11-2006 by Ord. No. 06-652]

PUBLIC PLACE or PUBLIC PLACES
   Include sidewalks, gutters, streets or other public places within the Township.

§ 168-2. Throwing materials on public or private property prohibited.

[Amended 10-20-2003 by Ord. No. 03-600; 9-11-2006 by Ord. No. 06-652]
No person shall throw, place or leave, or permit or cause to be thrown, placed, or left, directly or indirectly, any rubbish, refuse, waste, garbage, ashes, paper or other material, including, but not limited to, any signs, into or upon any of the public places or private property within the Township.

§ 168-3. Scattering of papers and written matter prohibited.

[Added 9-11-2006 by Ord. No. 06-652]
No person shall strewn about or cause to be strewn about any newspaper, paper, periodical, book, magazine, circular, card or pamphlet in or upon any public places or private property within the Township.

§ 168-4. Throwing or depositing sharp objects prohibited.

[Added 9-11-2006 by Ord. No. 06-652]
No person shall throw, place or deposit any glass, wire, tin cans, tacks or other sharp, injurious or cutting substance in or upon any public places or private property within the Township.

§ 168-5. Litter from vehicles.

[Added 9-11-2006 by Ord. No. 06-652]
A. No person shall throw or drop any bundle, object, article or debris of any nature from a vehicle, whether in motion or not, when such vehicle is on any public or private property within the Township, other than in a litter receptacle.

B. No person shall drive or move any truck within the Township unless such vehicle shall be so constructed or loaded as to prevent any load, contents or litter from falling or being deposited upon any street, alley or other public place or on private property.

C. No person shall drive or move any vehicle or truck within the Township whose wheels or tires shall carry onto or deposit in any street, alley or other public place in the Township any mud, dirt, sticky substance, litter or foreign matter of any kind.
D. Whenever litter is thrown, dropped, discarded or allowed to fall from a vehicle in violation of this section, the operator or owner, or both, of the vehicle shall also be deemed to have violated this section.

§ 168-6. Provision not applicable in certain instances.

[Added 9-11-2006 by Ord. No. 06-652]
No provision of this chapter shall be deemed to apply to any person duly authorized by state or municipal law to do any of the acts prohibited by this chapter or to any person who places sand or ashes upon ice which has formed upon any public place or private property.

§ 168-7. Violations and penalties.

[Amended 12-17-1962; 7-30-1984 by Ord. No. 84-222; 10-23-2006 by Ord. No. 06-656]
Any person who violates any provision of this chapter shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine not exceeding $2,000 or by imprisonment for a term not exceeding 90 days, or both. A separate offense shall be deemed committed on each day during or on which a violation occurs or continues.