



Legislation Text

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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 2, ADMINISTRATION, CHAPTER 12, DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION, CULTURAL AFFAIRS AND SENIOR SERVICES, OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, 2000, AS AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED, BY ESTABLISHING SECTION 1.6, EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN.

Sponsor(s): Council Member, Patrick O. Council

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council on behalf of the City of Newark wishes to increase safety measures for Newark residents and members of the public utilizing the City's recreational facilities; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to establish a required Emergency Action Plan to ensure all sports organizations are ready and equipped in the event of an emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Municipal Council finds and declares the following amendments to the Revised General Ordinances of the City of Newark, New Jersey, 2000, are deemed necessary for the safety of residents within the City of Newark.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

[Deletions are indicated by ~~strikethrough~~, additions are indicated by **bold and underline**.]

SECTION 1. Title II, Administration, Chapter 12, Department of Recreation Cultural Affairs and Senior Services, of the Revised General Ordinances of the City of Newark, New Jersey, 2000, is amended and supplemented, to read as follows:

CHAPTER 12, Department of Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Senior Services

§ 2:12-1.6 EMERGENCY ACTION PLAN.

All youth and adults sports organizations seeking authorization to utilize any fields in the City of Newark must submit an Emergency Action Plan. All Emergency Action Plans that are required for City of Newark's fields must be submitted to the City of Newark's Department of Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Senior Services, Division of Recreation. All Emergency Action Plans that are required for Essex County fields must be submitted to the Essex County Parks Department with the permit application. All Emergency Action Plans must be submitted before a permit can be issued. The Emergency Action Plan to be submitted must include:

- a. **Names and certifications of all coaches, staff members, or volunteers.**
- b. **Specific roles and duties of all coaches, staff members, and volunteers when responding in an emergency or life-threatening situation where CPR or AED may be used, as follows:**
 1. **Person/persons responsible for contacting emergency medical services;**
 2. **Person/persons to have access to keys to lock/unlock any gates or doors;**

3. Responsibility for checking the availability and current certification of the emergency equipment;
4. Location of the AED;
5. Person/persons designated to accompany the athlete to the hospital when the parent(s)/guardian(s) are not available;
6. Person/persons responsible for contacting the parent(s)/guardian(s);
7. Location of the emergency contact information for each athlete;
8. Person/persons to contact the league board;
9. Schedule of all practices/games;
10. Location of all practices/games;
11. Person/persons responsible for waiting for emergency services to arrive; and
12. Location of the emergency first aid station.

All coaches, staff members, or volunteers must be CPR and AED certified.

Permit applications submitted without an Emergency Action Plan will be denied.

Violations and Penalty

Youth and adult sports organizations that already have authorization prior to the enactment of this Ordinance have thirty (30) days from the Ordinance's passing to submit their Emergency Action Plan. Failure to submit the Plan will result in a fine of \$100.

Any youth or adult sports organizations found to be practicing or participating in any activity on any field without proper submission of their Emergency Action Plan will be subject to a fine of \$500.

SECTION 2: Codification. This Ordinance shall be a part of the Code of the City of Newark as though codified and fully set forth therein. The City Clerk shall have this Ordinance codified and incorporated in the official copies of the Code. The City Clerk and the Corporation Counsel are authorized and directed to change any Chapter, Article and/or Section number of the Code of the City of Newark in the event that the codification of this Ordinance reveals that there is a conflict between the numbers and the existing Code, and in order to avoid confusion and possible accidental repealers of existing provisions not intended to be repealed.

STATEMENT

This Ordinance Amends Title II, Administration, Chapter 12, Department of Recreation, Cultural Affairs and Senior Services, establishing Section 1.6 Emergency Action Plan to ensure all sports organizations are ready and equipped in the event of an emergency.