

**ORDINANCE #5.23.06c**  
**ORDINANCE FOR THE PROPER DISPOSAL OF PET**  
**SOLID WASTE IN THE TOWNSHIP OF SHREWSBURY**

**SECTION I. Purpose:**

An Ordinance to establish requirements for the proper disposal of pet solid waste in the Township of Shrewsbury, so as to protect public health, safety and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for failure to comply.

**SECTION II. Definitions:**

For the purpose of this Ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this Chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words used in the plural number include the singular number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory.

- a. Immediate – shall mean that the pet solid waste is removed at once, without delay.
- b. Owner/Keeper – any person who shall possess, maintain, house or harbor any pet or otherwise have custody of any pet, whether or not the owner of such pet.
- c. Person – any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.
- d. Pet – a domesticated animal (other than a disability assistance animal) kept for amusement or companionship.
- e. Pet solid waste – waste matter expelled from the bowels of the pet; excrement.
- f. Proper disposal – placement in a designated waste receptacle, or other suitable container, and discarded in a refuse container which is regularly emptied by the municipality or some other refuse collector; or disposal into a system designed to convey domestic sewage for proper treatment and disposal.

**SECTION III. Requirement for Disposal:**

All pet owners and keepers are required to immediately and properly dispose of their pet's solid waste deposited on any property, public or private, not owned or possessed by that person.

**SECTION IV. Exemptions:**

Any owner or keeper who requires the use of a disability assistance animal shall be exempt from the provisions of this section while such animal is being used for that purpose.

**SECTION V. Enforcement:**

The provisions of this Ordinance shall be enforced by the Special Code Enforcement Officer of the Township of Shrewsbury and/or the New Jersey State Police and any future Police Department that may either be established by Shrewsbury Township or shall enforce the laws of Shrewsbury Township through any Interlocal Agreement.

**SECTION VI. Violations and Penalty:**

Any person, firm or corporation violating any provision of this Ordinance shall, upon conviction, be subject to a fine not exceeding \$1,250.00, a term of imprisonment not exceeding 90 days or a period of community service not exceeding 90 days or any combination thereof.

**SECTION VII. Severability:**

Each section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase of this Ordinance is declared to be an independent section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase, and the finding or holding of any such portion of this Ordinance to be unconstitutional, void or ineffective for any cause, or reason, shall not affect any other portion of this Ordinance.

**SECTION VIII. Effective Date:**

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and any publication as may be required by law.

**Mr. Klose,** Township Committee Person introduced the aforesaid Ordinance and  
**Ms. Lettice**  
Seconded said Ordinance for introduction.

**ROLL CALL**

Affirmative: 3

Negative: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

Dated: 5/23 , 2006

Mr. Klose, Township Committee moved the aforesaid Ordinance for second reading for Public Hearing and upon closure of said Public Hearing move for its final reading and adoption, seconded by Ms. Lettice Township Committee Person.

ROLL CALL

Affirmative: 3

Negative: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

Dated: 7/11 , 2006 Ordinance Adopted

  
ALBERT KLOSE, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
JANET DELONARDO  
CLERK