

TOWNSHIP OF FLORENCE

ORDINANCE 2016-06

**An Ordinance of the Township of Florence
Amending Chapter 65A of the Florence Township Code
titled Criminal History Background Checks to
repeal a portion of the code related to interim approvals and to
add a requirement to wear and display an ID card while in
performance of duties**

Whereas, the Township Council has determined that it is necessary to amend a portion of Chapter 65A of the township code requiring criminal history background checks, and

Whereas, Chapter 65A has a provision for interim coaching privileges once a coach has submitted to the background check, and

Whereas, the interim approval was used to provide for sufficient numbers of coaches at the onset of the background check program when results were often delayed for extended periods of time, and

Whereas, advances in technology and procedures used by State and Federal Authorities have resulted in an expedited return of information used to qualify a coach.

Now, Therefore, Be It Ordained by the Township Council of the Township of Florence that:

Section 1. The Code of the Township of Florence is hereby amended by repealing and replacing **Chapter 65A-6.B Frequency of background checks** to read as follows:

All Township-sponsored youth programs that have individuals subject to this chapter shall direct those individuals to the Recreation Director for background checks prior to the individual being able to participate at any function sponsored by the Township of Florence. Thereafter, every three years a new background check shall be submitted to the Recreation Director. Final approval shall consist of the Township of Florence receiving a letter of approval from the New Jersey State Police. Approved individuals are required to display their township issued coaches background check identification card while in performance of their duty involving youth programs as prescribed by this code.

Section 2. The Code of the Township of Florence is hereby amended by repealing and replacing **Chapter 65A-4 Qualification** to read as follows:

Individuals engaged in providing recreation opportunities for, or on behalf of, the Township of Florence shall be issued identification cards with appropriate expirations based upon the date of their individual background check. Coaches Background Check Identification cards are required to be displayed while in performance of their duty involving youth programs as prescribed by this code.

Section 3. If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof.

Section 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances of the Township of Florence heretofore adopted that are inconsistent with any of the terms and provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage. Notice of adoption shall be published as provided by law.

THEODORE J. LOVENDUSKI
Council President

JOY M. WEILER, RMC/MMC
Township Clerk

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Take Notice that the Ordinance identified above amends Chapter 65A of the Florence Township Code to repeal temporary interim coaching approval pending completion of a background check, and to provide for the requirement to wear and display an identification cards while in performance of duties. The Ordinance has been adopted on first reading by the Township Council of the Township of Florence, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, held on March 16, 2016. It will be considered for final passage after public hearing to be held on April 6, 2016, at 8:00 P.M. in the Municipal Complex, Council Chambers, 711 Broad Street, Florence, New Jersey.

Copies of the full ordinance are on file with the Township Clerk of the Township of Florence in the Municipal Complex. Copies may be obtained on request at no cost and a copy is posted on the municipal bulletin board in the Municipal Complex at 711 Broad Street, Florence, New Jersey.

Joy M. Weiler, RMC/MMC
Township Clerk