

**ORDINANCE NO. 3-2012**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COMMITTEE OF TOWNSHIP OF HARRISON,  
COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 159  
ENTITLED "PROPERTY MAINTENANCE" OF THE CODE OF THE  
TOWNSHIP OF HARRISON**

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**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Committee, Township of Harrison, have determined that certain amendments to Chapter 159 entitled "Property Maintenance" are necessary; and

**WHEREAS**, in all other respects Chapter 159 entitled "Property Maintenance" shall remain in full force and effect;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Harrison, in the County of Gloucester and State of New Jersey, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the authority of same as follows:

**Section 1.**

§159-7. entitled "Exterior Maintenance Standards" shall be amended to read as follows:

A. Prohibited uses and activities:

- (1) Animal excrement piles or vegetable waste, paper, rags, cartons, boxes, fallen tree branches, yard trimmings ~~except as may be stored in a formally constructed mulch or composting facility~~, objects in a state of general disrepair that are not being used for their original intended purpose, garbage, waste materials, scrap building materials, used tires, scrap metal, glass or wood, appliances in disuse, plumbing fixtures, furniture in disrepair. Prohibitions as to vegetable or animal waste shall not apply to premises that are actively annually farmed, including orchards, and that are subject to farmland assessment.

**Section 2.**

§159-7. entitled "Exterior Maintenance Standards" shall be amended to add the following new section:

- E. A formally constructed mulch or composting structure is permitted for the conversion of vegetative matter into compost. The compost structure shall be situated or located within twenty (20) feet of the rear yard property line, and shall not be placed within twenty (20) feet of the side yard property lines.

**Section 3.**

**Repealer.**

All prior Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.

**Section 4.**

**Severability.**

Should any section, clause, sentence, phrase or provision of this Ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

**Section 5.**

**When effective.**

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication in accordance with law.

**TOWNSHIP OF HARRISON**

**BY: \_\_\_\_\_**  
**LOUIS F. MANZO, MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**

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CAROL L. PUSZTAY, Deputy Municipal Clerk**

**NOTICE**

The Ordinance published herein was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the Mayor and Committee of the Township of Harrison, in the County of Gloucester and State of New Jersey, held on January 17, 2012. It will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing hereon, at a meeting of said Mayor and Committee to be held in the Township's Municipal Building, 114 Bridgeton Pike, Mullica Hill, New Jersey 08062, in the Township, on February 21, 2012 at 7:30 P.M. During the week prior and up to and including the date of such meeting, copies of said Ordinance will be made available at the Clerk's office at the Municipal Building, 114 Bridgeton Pike, in the Township, to the members of the general public who shall request the same.

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CAROL L. PUSZTAY  
Deputy Municipal Clerk**