

Upper Bern Township Ordinance Number 134 - 2016

An Ordinance of Upper Bern Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania, amending certain provisions contained within Ordinances 89-2007 and 124-2012 relating to the standards and specifications for grease traps that are required for non-residential uses.

Whereas, on May 9, 2007, the Upper Bern Township Board of Supervisors duly adopted the Sanitary Sewer Use Ordinance via Upper Bern Township Ordinance 89-2007, which established provisions for operating, maintaining and inspecting grease traps.

Whereas, on November 14, 2012, the Upper Bern Township Board of Supervisors duly adopted certain amendments to the Sanitary Sewer Use Ordinance via Upper Bern Township Ordinance 124-2012, which established additional provisions for grease traps.

Be it and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the Upper Bern Township Board of Supervisors, Berks County, Pennsylvania as follows:

Section 1: Section 10.G of the Sanitary Sewer Use Ordinance, as referenced within Upper Bern Township Ordinances 89-2007 and 124-2012 shall be amended and revised as follows:

Section 10.G: The following standards and specifications shall apply to grease traps:

- (1) Grease traps shall be provided by the landowner for any non-residential use that generates liquid wastes containing excessive amounts of grease, fat, oil and kitchen waste, which may harm the municipal sanitary sewer system or create problems associated with the biological and disposal processes for wastewater treatment.
- (2) All required grease traps shall be sufficiently designed, sized, permitted, and installed in an appropriate location on the property to allow for regular maintenance and inspection.
- (3) The grease trap shall have a minimum capacity of one thousand (1,000) gallons between the building occupying the permitted use and the sanitary sewer collection system. The grease trap shall be installed with an access manhole for regular cleaning and maintenance. An alternative system may be permitted by Upper Bern Township provided that: it has the capacity to accommodate liquid waste; it does not allow for surface water infiltration; and it is located in an area that can be periodically serviced, maintained and inspected.
- (4) All existing non-residential uses (restaurants, grocery stores, social halls, institutional facilities, automotive establishment and/or similar uses) that are required to install a grease trap shall be required to install a grease trap that complies with the standards and specifications of this Ordinance within one (1) year of receiving written notification from Upper Bern Township.
- (5) All landowners with a grease trap shall furnish Upper Bern Township with maintenance records for the grease trap in accordance with the compliance schedule specified by Section 10.H of this Sanitary Sewer Use Ordinance.

Section 2: Ratification: All of the remaining provisions of Ordinances 89-2007 and 124-2012 are hereby ratified and confirmed.

Section 3: Repealer: All Ordinances or Resolutions, or parts of Ordinances or Resolutions, insofar as they are inconsistent herewith, shall be in the same or hereby repealed.

Section 4: Validity: If any Section or part of a Section of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining parts or Sections of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that this Ordinance would have been enacted as if such invalid Section or portion thereof had not been included therein.

Section 5: Effective Date: This Ordinance shall become effective within five (5) days after adoption.

Section 6: Municipal Enactment: Ordained and enacted this 4th day of January, 2016 by a vote of 2 Yes 0 No 1 Abstained 0 Absent.

Upper Bern Township Board of Supervisors

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Attest:

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Upper Bern Township Secretary