

Upon motion by Mr. J. R. Bricker, seconded by Mr. Gerald S. Salsbury, the following Ordinance was duly enacted, 2 voting in favor of enactment, 0 voting against enactment.

ORDINANCE NO. 73-16
(as amended)

An Ordinance providing for the establishment of fire lanes and fire department access points at public buildings and in shopping plazas and other places of business or assembly and providing penalties for the violation thereof.

WHEREAS, to promote and secure the safety of persons and property and to facilitate the fighting of fires and the evacuation of sick or injured persons in areas of vehicular or pedestrian congregation, the Board of Supervisors deem it necessary that certain areas be designated as FIRE LANES and/or FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCESS POINTS, wherein the parking or standing of motor vehicles is prohibited.

BE IT ENACTED, by the Supervisors of Millcreek Township, Erie County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by authority of same as follows:

SECTION 1. Definitions: The following definitions are established and shall apply to this ordinance:

(a) Fire Lane: An area where indicated by official signs leading to or adjacent to a public building or place of business or assembly which must be kept open at all times in order for fire or other emergency equipment to operate effectively in case of fire or other emergency. Said area to be thirty-five (35) feet in width, extending outward from the sidewalk for its entire length. Each fire lane shall be indicated by road markings and posted at convenient intervals.

(Amended by Ordinance 75-10 to increase width to thirty-five (35) feet)

(b) Fire Department Access Point: An area where indicated by official signs in front of or adjacent to any required exit of a building, or to a fire hydrant or to a hose connection point serving a building's fire fighting system.

SECTION 2. That no person at any time shall park or leave standing any vehicle in any fire lane or fire department access point so as to clearly designate the area affected.

SECTION 3. That official signs shall be placed adjacent to said fire lane or fire department access point so as to clearly designate the area affected.

SECTION 4. That any person who shall violate any of the provisions shall, upon summary conviction thereof, before a [Magisterial District Judge], be sentenced to pay a fine of not less than Two Dollars (\$2.00) nor more than Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) and costs of prosecution and, in default of payment thereof, shall undergo imprisonment for a term not to exceed five (5) days.

(Amended by Ordinances 83-5, 86-19 and 91-18 as to amount of fine and, most recently, by Ordinance No. 2007-6 as to manner of enforcement and \$100.00 penalty for violation)