

**SKIPPACK TOWNSHIP
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
ORDINANCE NO. 364**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SKIPPACK, CHAPTER 187, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC; TO REGULATE OPERATION OF E-BIKES, MOTORBIKES, AND ALL-TERRAIN-VEHICLES ON TOWNSHIP-OWNED PROPERTY

WHEREAS, Skippack Township (the “Township”) is a Township of the Second Class organized and existing under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, located in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania;

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the Township is empowered by Section 1601 of the Pennsylvania Second Class Township Code (the “Act”), 53 P.S. §66601, to enact ordinances in the exercise of general and specific powers allocated to the Township by terms of the Act;

WHEREAS, Section 2203 of the Act, 53 P.S. §67203, specifically enables the Township to enact ordinances in regulation of the use and enjoyment of public lands owned by the Township in an ongoing effort to promote, protect, and facilitate the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens and residents;

WHEREAS, any person who violates rules so promulgated commits a summary offense; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors, after due consideration of this ordinance (the “Ordinance”) at a duly advertised public hearing, has determined that the health, safety, and welfare of the Skippack Township residents will be served by the following amendments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of Supervisors as follows:

SECTION 1. The Code of the Township of Skippack, Chapter 187, Vehicles and Traffic is hereby amended to add the following Article IX, E-Bikes, Motorbikes, and All-Terrain Vehicles reading in its entirety as follows:

§187-66 Vehicle prohibition

No person may operate any E-Bike, Motorbike, or All-Terrain-Vehicle on any Township-owned property, including (without limitation) any trail, park, street, road, and/or alley;

with the exception that properly registered E-Bikes Motorbikes, and All-Terrain Vehicles may be operated by licensed drivers upon public streets within the Township consistent with local and state regulations including (without limitation) the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code (Title 75).

§187-67 Definition

For purposes of this Article, an “E-Bike” is defined as any bicycle equipped with an integrated electric motor providing propulsion, and without any pedal-assist.

§187-68 Exemption

The prohibitions and regulations of this Article IX shall not apply to the use and operation of E-Bikes, Motorbikes, and All-Terrain Vehicles by those properly authorized for such use and operation by the Township of Skippack, the Skippack Fire Company, Skippack EMS, or any other official emergency service provider.

§187-69 Enforcement and penalties

The enforcement of this Article shall be by action brought before the District Justice in the same manner provided for the enforcement of Summary Offences under the Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal Procedure. Any person who violates any provision of this Article shall, upon conviction thereof by summary proceedings, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$500 per violation plus costs and, in default of said fine and costs, to undergo imprisonment to the extent allowed by law for the punishment of Summary Offences. After notice of a violation, each day that the violation is found to exist shall be considered a separate violation. Each violation under any section of this Article shall constitute a separate offense.

§187-70 Non-exclusive authority

Nothing in this Article shall inhibit or restrict the authority and ability of any private property owners association to regulate the subject matter of this Article upon the property, trails and open space areas owned, operated, and maintained by such association.

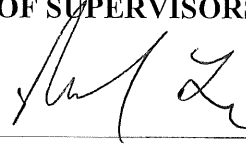
SECTION 2. Severability. The provisions of this Ordinance are severable and if any section, sentence, clause, part, or provision hereof shall be held illegal, invalid, or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision of the court shall not affect or impair the remaining sections, sentences, clauses, or provisions of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to be the intent of the Board of Supervisors that this Ordinance would still have been adopted if such illegal or unconstitutional section, sentence, clause, part, or provision had not been included herein.

SECTION 3. Repealer. All other ordinances or parts of ordinances conflicting or inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval as provided by law.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED as an Ordinance by the Board of Supervisors of Skippack Township this 10th day of September, 2025.

**SKIPPACK TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**



Paul Fox, Chairman

Attest:



Alice Eastmure
Township Manager