

**BOROUGH OF NEW MILFORD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
ORDINANCE NO. 2011:14**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER  
13 OF THE REVISED GENERAL CODE OF BOROUGH OF NEW  
MILFORD ENTITLED "FIRE PREVENTION" TO PROVIDE FOR  
ACCESS TO FIRE HYDRANTS.**

WHEREAS, the General Code of the Borough of New Milford, Chapter 13 provides for Fire Prevention; and

WHEREAS, said Code does not specify provisions for access to fire hydrants; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of New Milford have determined that there exists a need to include this in the General Code,

**BE IT ORDAINED**, BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF NEW MILFORD AS FOLLOWS:

Chapter 13-8 shall be added to read as follows:

**13-8 Fire Hydrants.** To insure access to fire hydrants in the Borough of New Milford for the safety and welfare of the public, a clear area of (3) three feet must be maintained in all directions from the fire hydrant as well as meeting the road side parking requirements.

The owner or lessee of any property within three (3) feet of a fire hydrant shall be responsible to see that a three (3) foot clear space is provided in all directions from the fire hydrant. The requirements of this section shall be completed by the responsible party not later than twenty-four (24) hours after any natural obstruction such as snow shall prevent access to the fire hydrant and within twelve (12) hours of any other type of obstruction.

Upon the failure of any person in maintaining the open space for all fire hydrants in accordance with this section, shall be deemed a violation of the Fire Safety Code.

All Ordinances of parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed as to such inconsistencies only.

In the event that any word, phrase, clause, section or provision of this Ordinance is found by any Court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable, illegal or unconstitutional, such word, phrase, clause or provision shall be severable from the balance of this Ordinance and the remainder of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as provided by Law.