

**TOWNSHIP OF WINFIELD – ORDINANCE #371
COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY
WILDLIFE FEEDING ORDINANCE**

SECTION I. Purpose:

An ordinance to prohibit the feeding of unconfined wildlife in any public park or on any other property owned or operated by the Township of Winfield, so as to protect public health, safety and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for failure to comply.

SECTION II. Definitions:

For the purpose of this ordinance, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this Chapter clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words used in the plural number include the singular number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory.

- a. Feed – to give, place, expose, deposit, distribute or scatter any edible material with the intention of feeding, attracting or enticing wildlife. Feeding does not include baiting in the legal taking of fish and/or game.
- b. Person – any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this State subject to municipal jurisdiction.
- c. Wildlife – all animals that are neither human nor domesticated.

SECTION III. Prohibited Conduct:

- a. No person shall feed, in any public park or on any other property owned or operated by the Township of Winfield, any wildlife, excluding confined wildlife (for example, wildlife confined in zoos, parks or rehabilitation centers, or unconfined wildlife at environmental education centers).

SECTION IV. Enforcement:

- a. This ordinance shall be enforced by the Township of Winfield.
- b. Any person found to be in violation of this ordinance shall be ordered to cease the feeding immediately.

SECTION V. Violations and Penalties:

Any person(s) who is found to be in violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall be subject to a fine not less than \$100.00 for the first offense, recurring offenses not to exceed \$1,000.00..

SECTION VI. Severability:

Each section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase of this Ordinance is declared to be an independent section, subsection, sentence, clause and phrase, and the finding or holding of any such portion of this Ordinance to be unconstitutional, void, or ineffective for any cause, or reason, shall not affect any other portion of this Ordinance.


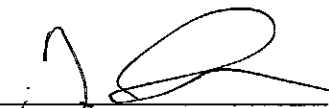
SECTION VII. Effective Date:

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and any publication as may be required by law.

DATE INTRODUCED: August 15, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE


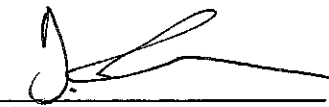
The foregoing ordinance was introduced and approved on first reading at the regular meeting of the Winfield Township Committee held on August 15, 2005 and will be considered for public hearing and final adoption at the regular meeting of the Township Committee to be held on September 19, 2005 at 7:30 PM in the Municipal Building, 12 Gulfstream Avenue, Winfield, NJ.

	MOTIONED	SECONDED	AYES	NAYS	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	I hereby certify that the above Ordinance was introduced by the Township Committee of the Township of Winfield at a meeting held on August 15, 2005.	
 MAYOR WRIGHT			✓					 Laura Reinertsen, Twp. Clerk
COMM. VITEKA		✓						
COMM. WHITEHOUSE	✓							

DATE ADOPTED: **September 19, 2005**

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