

**EAST COVENTRY TOWNSHIP**  
**CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2020-245**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF EAST COVENTRY TOWNSHIP, CHAPTER 27 (ZONING), PART 13 (GENERAL AND SUPPLEMENTAL REGULATIONS AND DESIGN STANDARDS), SECTION 27-1319 (ACCESSORY USES AND ACCESSORY BUILDINGS), BY ADDING A NEW SUBPARAGRAPH H TO PERMIT HORSE BOARDING AS AN ACCESSORY USE IN THE FR, R-1 AND R-2 ZONING DISTRICTS.**

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The Board of Supervisors of East Coventry Township does hereby **ENACT** and **ORDAIN**:

**SECTION 1. – Amendment to Code.**

The Code of Ordinances of East Coventry Township, Chapter 27 (Zoning), Part 13 (General and Supplemental Regulations and Design Standards), Section 27-1319 (Accessory Uses and Accessory Buildings) is hereby amended by adding a new Section 27-1319.1.H as follows:

- H. Horse Boarding. Full boarding and/or partial boarding of horses shall be permitted as an accessory use in the FR, **R-1 AND R-2** Zoning Districts in compliance with the following:
- (1) There shall be no more than four (4) horses boarded on any property and the property must contain sufficient acreage in accordance with Section 27-1325 of the Zoning Ordinance to accommodate the total number of horses kept by the owner/occupant and/or boarded on behalf of other parties.
  - (2) Boarded horses shall be provided with humane living conditions including all necessary sustenance, drink, access to veterinary care, clean and sanitary indoor shelter which shall consist of one (1) stall per horse or an adequately sized run-in shelter (100 square feet per

horse), to protect the horses against inclement weather which will preserve the body heat of the horses and keep them dry.

- (3) Horse boarding shall not be construed to include a commercial horseback riding stable or a commercial horseback riding lesson school.

**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, parts or provisions of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to be the intent of the Board of Supervisors that this Ordinance would have been adopted even if such illegal, invalid or unconstitutional section, sentence, clause, part or provision had not been included herein.

**SECTION 3. – Failure to Enforce not a Waiver.**

The failure of the Township to enforce any provision of this Ordinance shall not constitute a waiver by the Township of its rights of future enforcement hereunder.

**SECTION 4. – Effective Date.**

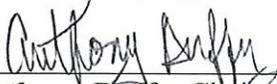
This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its approval as required by the law.

**SECTION 5. – Repealer.**

All other ordinances and resolutions or parts thereof insofar as they are inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

**ORDAINED and ENACTED** by the Board of Supervisors of East Coventry Township,  
Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, this 14th day of September, 2020.

Attest:   
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**David G. Kraynik**, Secretary

**EAST COVENTRY TOWNSHIP**  
  
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**Anthony Duffy**, Chairman

**NOTICE**

NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors of the Township of East Coventry, at its public meeting on September 14, 2020 in the Township Building, 855 Ellis Woods Road, Pottstown, Pennsylvania, will hold a public hearing on and could vote to adopt an Ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of East Coventry Township, Chapter 27 (Zoning), Part 13 (General and Supplemental Regulations and Design Standards), Section 27-1319 (Accessory Uses and Accessory Buildings), by adding a new Subparagraph H to permit horse boarding as an accessory use in the FR, R-1 AND R-2 Zoning Districts.

Copies of the full text of the proposed ordinance are available for examination during normal business hours without charge at the offices of *The Pottstown Mercury*, 307 Derstine Avenue, Lansdale PA 19446, the Chester County Law Library, 201 West Market Street, Suite 2400, West Chester, Pennsylvania 19380-0989 and the East Coventry Township Building, 855 Ellis Woods Road, Pottstown, Pennsylvania 19465, where a copy of the proposed ordinance may be obtained for a charge not greater than the cost thereof.

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