

SKIPPACK TOWNSHIP
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA
ORDINANCE NO. 366

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SKIPPACK, CHAPTER 200, ZONING; TO REGULATE PLACEMENT AND OPERATION OF TOBACCO, SMOKE, AND VAPE SHOPS

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

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Skippack Township is empowered by the Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, 53 P.S. § 10101 *et. seq.*, among other things, to amend its Zoning Ordinance in an ongoing effort to promote, protect, and facilitate the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Skippack Township; 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 200, Zoning; Article II, Definitions; §200-11. Terms defined is hereby amended to add the following definitions at appropriate locations alphabetically:

"TOBACCO, SMOKE, OR VAPE SHOP - A business establishment conducting wholesale and/or retails sales, which satisfies any one or more of the following criteria:

- A. holds itself out as a "tobacco store", a "smoke shop", a "vape shop" or similar establishment;
- B. has as its principal purpose the selling of tobacco, tobacco products, and/or vaping products; and/or
- C. maintains at least 20% of its total merchandise as tobacco and/or tobacco products and/or vaping products."

"VAPING PRODUCTS - vaporizers, vape pens, vapor products, hookah pens, electronic cigarettes, e-cigarettes, e-cigs, e-pipes and any other electronic nicotine-type delivery system, without limitation."

"TOBACCO PRODUCTS - matches, lighters, hookahs, pipes, any form of THC and its related products, kratom and its related products, nitrous oxide and its related products, chewing tobacco, cigarette rolling machines, ashtrays, pipe tools, pipe supplies and pipe accessories, without limitation."

SECTION 2. The Code of the Township of Skippack, Chapter 200, Zoning; Article IV, Nonresidential Districts; §200-27.GC General Commercial District is hereby amended to add subsection C(1)(b), reading in its entirety as follows:

- (b) a Tobacco, Smoke, or Vape Shop, provided all of the following requirements are satisfied:
- i. it is located wholly West of Lucon Road and not closer than 1,000 feet from any other Tobacco, Smoke, or Vape Shop;
 - ii. it is not located within 500 feet of any school, residence, and/or residential district;
 - iii. it provides at least one (1) off-street parking space for each 150 sq feet of gross floor area or fraction thereof; and
 - iv. hours of operation are limited to 10 am to 8 pm.

SECTION 3. 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 4. Repealer. All other ordinances or parts of ordinances conflicting or inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. 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 11th day of February, 2026.

**SKIPPACK TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**



Karen Lynch, Chairperson

Attest: 
Alice Eastmure
Township Manager