

PENDING ORDINANCE  
TOWNSHIP OF MONTCLAIR

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 347 OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE  
(ZONING) TO PROVIDE FOR FACILITIES FOR BICYCLE PARKING

Chapter 347, Article XVII of the Township Code is amended as follows:

101.1 Bicycle parking and storage

A. Findings. It is the intent of this Ordinance to reduce traffic congestion, and air and noise pollution, and to promote the health and welfare of the residents of the Township, by encouraging the use of bicycles through the establishment of requirements for off-street parking of bicycles in conjunction with the use of land. The number of bicycle parking and storage spaces required herein varies according to type, location, and intensity of development in the different zoning districts.

B. Bicycle Spaces Required.

1. Bicycle parking facilities shall be required for any new principal structure, addition or enlargement of an existing principal structure in excess of 10% of the usable floor area, or for any change in the use of an existing structure, in accordance with the following schedule of uses, with fractional requirements for bike parking over .5 to be rounded up
2. Each bicycle parking space shall be no less than 6-feet long by 2-feet wide (6'X2')
3. Classification of Facilities
  1. Class 1 bicycle facility means a locker, individually locked enclosure (inside or outside a building) or a supervised area within a building providing protection for each bicycle therein from theft, vandalism and weather.
  2. Class 2 bicycle facility means a stand or other device constructed so as to enable the user to secure by locking the frame and one wheel of each bicycle parked therein. Racks must be easily usable with both U-locks and cable locks. Racks should support the bikes in a stable upright position so that a bike, if bumped, will not fall or roll down. Racks that support a bike primarily by a wheel, such as standard 'wire racks' are damaging to wheels and thus are not acceptable.

| Use                               | Required Bicycle Parking    |                          |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                   | Number of Spaces            | Class                    |
| <b>Residential Uses</b>           |                             |                          |
| One Family                        | No Requirement              | n/a                      |
| Two Family                        | No Requirement              | n/a                      |
| Multi Family (3 or more units)    | 1 per unit                  | Class 1                  |
| Rooming Houses                    | 1 per 5 units               | Class 1                  |
| <b>Commercial and Office Uses</b> |                             |                          |
| Office                            | 2 + 15% of Auto Requirement | 80% Class 2; 20% Class 1 |
| Banks                             | 2 + 15% of Auto Requirement | 80% Class 2; 20% Class 1 |
| Restaurants                       | 2 + 15% of Auto Requirement | 90% Class 2; 10% Class 1 |
| Retail (all)                      | 2 + 15% of Auto Requirement | 90% Class 2; 10% Class 1 |
| Nonprofit Institutional Uses      | 2 + 15% of Auto Requirement | 80% Class 2; 20% Class 1 |
| Commercial Recreation Facilities  | 35% of Auto Requirement     | 90% Class 2; 10% Class 1 |
| Educational Play Centers          | 35% of Auto Requirement     | 90% Class 2; 10% Class 1 |
| <b>Community Facilities</b>       |                             |                          |
| Parking Lots or Garages           | 35% of Auto Parking         | 80% Class 1; 20% Class 2 |
| Hospitals                         | No Requirement              | n/a                      |
| Churches                          | No Requirement              | n/a                      |
| Schools                           | 1 per 10 students           | Class 2                  |
| Municipal                         | 2 + 15% of Auto Requirement | 90% Class 2; 10% Class 1 |
| <b>Manufacturing</b>              |                             |                          |
| All                               | No Requirement              | n/a                      |

### C. Location and Design of Facilities

Bicycle parking facilities should adhere to the following guidelines, which may be interpreted and/or waived in the Board's discretion consistent with the objective of providing safe, accessible, usable and aesthetically-appropriate facilities:

- a) Bicycle parking should be located near building entrances and visible to designated users.
- b) Bicycle parking facilities should be located in highly visible well-lighted areas
- c) Bicycle parking facilities shall support bicycles in a stable position without damage to wheels, frame or other components.
- d) Bicycle parking facilities shall be securely anchored to the lot surface.
- e) Bicycle parking facilities shall not impede pedestrian or vehicular circulation
- f) Bicycle parking facilities should be harmonious with the surrounding environment both in color and design. Parking facilities should be incorporated whenever possible into building design or street furniture.
- g) Racks must not be placed close enough to a wall or other obstruction so as to make use difficult. There must be sufficient space (at least 24 inches) beside each parked bike that allows access. This access may be shared by adjacent bicycles. An aisle or other space shall be provided to

bicycles to enter and leave the facility. This aisle shall have a width of at least six (6) feet to the front or rear of a bike parked in the facility.

- h) Bike parking facilities within auto parking areas shall be separated by a physical barrier to protect bicycles from damage by cars, such as curbs, wheel stops, poles or other similar features.

#### D. Off-Site Bicycle Facilities

Off-site bicycle facilities may be developed in lieu of on-site facilities provided that the same number of spaces and class are utilized and the Board and/or Township have approved the new location.