

UNION TOWNSHIP, BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

ORDINANCE NO. 2025- 23

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UNION, BERKS COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING ORDINANCE 2024-02 AND THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UNION, CHAPTER 185 ENTITLED "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC", ARTICLE VI ENTITLED "SNOW AND ICE EMERGENCY", TO AMEND SECTION 185-30 ENTITLED "DECLARATION OF SNOW AND ICE EMERGENCY" TO ADD ADDITIONAL STREETS TO THE DESIGNATED SNOW EMERGENCY ROUTES

WHEREAS, Union Township is a Second Class Township in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, as a Second Class Township, Union Township is governed by the Second Class Township Code of Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Second Class Township Code, Article XXIII, the Board of Supervisors may regulate roads, vehicle weights, speed limits, and parking; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance 2008-2 enacted March 17, 2008, the Board of Supervisors of Union Township enacted regulations to authorize the Chairperson or the Board of Supervisors to declare a snow and ice emergency; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2008-2, was codified within the Code of the Township of Union at Chapter 185, entitled "Vehicles and Traffic", Article VI entitled "Snow and Ice Emergency", Section 185-30 entitled "Declaration of Snow and Ice Emergency"; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance 2024-02 enacted March 20, 2024, the Board of Supervisors of Union Township designated certain streets as snow emergency routes under Chapter 185, Article VI, Section 185-30 of the Code of the Township of Union; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors wishes to add additional streets to the list of designated snow emergency routes; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has determined that it is in the best interest of Union Township to amend Ordinance 2024-02 and the Code of the Township of Union, Chapter 185, entitled "Vehicles and Traffic", Article VI entitled "Snow and Ice Emergency", Section 185-30 entitled "Declaration of Snow and Ice Emergency" in its entirety, in order to add additional streets to the list of designated snow emergency routes.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Union, Berks County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby enacted and ordained by the authority of the same as follows:

SECTION 1. The Code of the Township of Union, Chapter 185 entitled "Vehicles and Traffic", Article VI entitled "Snow and Ice Emergency", Section 185-30 entitled "Declaration of Snow and Ice Emergency", is amended to add the following:

In order to facilitate the movement of traffic, the removal of snow, and to combat the hazards or snow and ice on Township roads and streets, the Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors, the Township Roadmaster, and/or the Township Deputy Roadmaster may declare a snow and ice emergency. Information on the existence of a snow and ice emergency may be given by the Township through radio, newspaper or other available media, and information on the termination of the emergency may be given by use of the same media.

- A. After any snow and ice emergency is declared, it shall be unlawful, at any time during the continuance of the snow and ice emergency, for any person:
 - (I) To stand, stop, or park a motor vehicle or to allow a motor vehicle to remain standing, stopped or parked anywhere on any snow emergency route designated in Section 185-30.B(3), below, provided however that nothing in this Section 185-30.B(1) shall be construed to permit parking at any time or place where it is forbidden by any other provisions of law.
 - (II) To drive a motor vehicle on any snow emergency route, unless that vehicle is equipped with snow tires or chains.
 - (III) The following are designated as snow emergency routes:
 - a. Cory's Court (entire length);
 - b. Cross Street (entire length);
 - c. East Fourth Street (entire length);
 - d. East Second Street (entire length);
 - e. East Third Street (entire length);
 - f. Edison Road (entire length);
 - g. Furlong Road (entire length);
 - h. Garey Road (entire length);
 - i. George Street (entire length);
 - j. Heather Lane (entire length);
 - k. Hillside Drive (entire length);
 - l. Ivy Lane (entire length);
 - m. Jeffrey Place (entire length);
 - n. Joni Circle (entire length);
 - o. King Street (entire length);
 - p. Lanie Drive (entire length);
 - q. Linden Street (entire length);
 - r. Magnolia Drive (entire length);

- s. Maple Spring Drive (entire length);
- t. Maple Terrace (entire length);
- u. Mt. Airy Street (entire length);
- v. Queen Street (entire length);
- w. Sovereign Drive (entire length);
- x. Sunset Drive (entire length);
- y. Union Street (entire length);
- z. Wahl Street (entire length);
- aa. Washington Street (entire length);
- bb. York Road (entire length);

(IV) Proper signage to inform operators of motor vehicles that the streets designated by this Section 185-30.B(3) are snow emergency routes shall be erected in such a position to provide notice to travelers and in accord with the requisite standards of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Transportation regulations.

SECTION 2. Repeal of Ordinances and Resolutions.

Any ordinance or resolution or part of ordinances or resolutions conflicting with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed insofar as they are inconsistent with this Ordinance

SECTION 3. Severability.

If any article, section, subsection, provision, regulation, limitation, restriction, sentence, clause, phrase or word in this Ordinance is for any reason declared to be illegal, unconstitutional or invalid, by any Court of competent jurisdiction, this decision shall not affect or impair the validity of the Ordinance as a whole, or any other article, section, subsection, provision, regulation, limitation, restriction, sentence, clause, phrase, word, or remaining portion of the within Ordinance. The Board of Supervisors of Union Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania, hereby declares that it would have adopted the within Ordinance and each article, section, subsection, provision, regulation, limitation, restriction, sentence, clause, phrase and word thereof, irrespective of the limitations, restrictions, sentences, clauses, phrases, or word that may be declared illegal, unconstitutional or invalid.

SECTION 4. Code of Ordinances.

The Code of Ordinances of Union Township shall be and remain unchanged and in full force and effect except as amended, supplemented, and modified by this Ordinance. This Ordinance shall become a part of the Code of the Township of Union, Chapter 185 entitled "Vehicles and Traffic" upon enactment.

SECTION 5. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall become effective five (5) days after enactment as provided by law.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED into law by the Township of Union Board of Supervisors this

18th day of September, 2025.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
UNION TOWNSHIP,
BERKS COUNTY PENNSYLVANIA



Chairman



Vice-Chairman

Attest:



Secretary



Member

CERTIFICATE OF ENACTMENT

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Ordinance No. 2025-03 of Union Township, Berks County, Pennsylvania, which was adopted by the Board of Supervisors of said Township at a regular meeting held pursuant to notice as required by law on

September 15, 2025.

WITNESS my hand and seal this 19 day of September, 2025.

[Signature]
Secretary, Union Township

