

**CITY OF NORTHFIELD, NJ
ORDINANCE NO. 13-2025**

**AMENDING CHAPTER 97 OF THE CITY OF NORTHFIELD CODE,
ARTICLE II ANIMALS AND FOWL, SECTION 97-17, TO PROHIBIT
THE KEEPING OF FOWL**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Northfield, County of Atlantic, and State of New Jersey that Chapter 97, Article II, Section 97-17 of the Code of the City of Northfield is hereby amended as follows (added text underlined; deleted text ~~stricken~~):

§ 97-16. Keeping of small animals restricted. (NO CHANGE)

No person shall have or keep in his possession any rabbits, guinea pigs, mink, monkeys, chinchillas, hamsters or any other small animals or rodents for breeding or raising for commercial purposes or for the production of meat or fur or as a source of supply for laboratories within the limits of the City of Northfield.

§ 97-17. Keeping of fowl prohibited.

No person shall have or keep in his possession any live chickens, turkeys, ducks, geese, guinea fowl or any other fowl raised ~~commercially for food~~ within the limits of the City of Northfield.

§ 97-18. Exceptions. (NO CHANGE)

Nothing in this article shall apply to the keeping or maintenance of animals or fowl in parks, zoos and pet stores nor horses in riding academies.

§ 97-19. Violations and penalties. (NO CHANGE)

The penalty for violation of any provision of this article shall be as set forth in Chapter 1, General Provisions, § 1-15.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

- 1) This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in the manner prescribed by law.
- 2) Repealer. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies.
- 3) Severability. If any Section or part of this Ordinance is deemed to be invalid or illegal in any Court of competent jurisdiction then said part is severable from the Ordinance as a whole and the remaining sections or parts of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

The above Ordinance was passed on first reading at a Regular Meeting of the Common Council of the City of Northfield, New Jersey on the 12th day of August, 2025 and will be taken up for a second reading, public hearing and final passage at a meeting of said council held on the 2nd day of September, 2025, in Council Chambers, City Hall, Northfield, New Jersey.

Mary Canesi, RMC, Municipal Clerk

Erland Chau, Mayor