

## THE BOROUGH OF GLEN RIDGE

Essex County, New Jersey

## **ORDINANCE NO. 1716**

# AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2.32 POLICE DEPARTMENT OF GLEN RIDGE CODE

SECTION 1 Chapter 2.32 is repealed

SECTION 2. Chapter 2.32 is replaced with the following:

#### § Establishment of the Police Department

There is hereby created in and for the Borough of Glen Ridge, a Police Department which shall consist of no more than a Chief of Police, 1 Captain, 1 Lieutenants, 6 Sergeants, and a maximum of 14 patrol officers, to be appointed to these positions by the governing body of the Borough of Glen Ridge. The decision whether or not to fill the mentioned positions is within the complete and unfettered discretion of the governing body.

# § Purpose of the Police Department

The Police Department shall preserve the public peace; protect life and property; detect, arrest and prosecute offenders of the laws of New Jersey and the ordinances of the Borough of Glen Ridge; direct and control traffic; provide attendance and protection during emergencies; provide appearances in court; cooperate with all other law enforcement agencies; and provide training for the efficiency of its employees and officers.

#### § Designation of Appropriate Authority

The Public Safety Committee shall be designated as the Appropriate Authority as provided in the New Jersey Statutes.

#### § Rules and Regulations

The Appropriate Authority shall be responsible for the overall performance of the Police Department. The Appropriate Authority shall adopt and promulgate Rules and Regulations for the government of the Police Department and for the discipline of its employees. (N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118)

#### § Chief of Police; powers and duties

The Chief of Police shall be the head of the Police Department and shall be directly responsible to the Appropriate Authority for its efficiency and day-to-day operations. Pursuant to policies established by the Appropriate Authority, the Chief of Police shall:

- Administer and enforce the Rules and Regulations of the Police Department and any special emergency directive for the disposition and discipline of the Department and its employees and officers;
- Have, exercise and discharge the functions, powers and duties of the Police Department;
- Prescribe the duties and assignments of all members and officers;
- Delegate such authority as may be deemed necessary for the efficient operation of the Police Department to be exercised under the Chief's direction and control; and
- Report at least monthly to the Appropriate Authority in such form as shall be prescribed on the operation of the Police Department during the preceding month and make such other reports as may be requested by the Appropriate Authority. (N.J.S.A. 40A:14-118)

#### § Disciplinary Actions

No member or officer of the Police Department shall be suspended, removed, fined or reduced in rank for any cause other than for incapacity, misconduct or disobedience as provided in the New Jersey Statutes and the Police Department's Rules and Regulations. (N.J.S.A. 40A:14-147)

#### § Appointment of Police Department, Officers and Personnel

No person shall be appointed to the Police Department who is not qualified as provided in the New Jersey Statutes. The Appropriate Authority may also require that an applicant for appointment to the Police Department shall successfully complete a physical, mental and psychological examination.

**SECTION 3.** If any clause, sentence, subdivision, paragraph, section or part of this Ordinance be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, subdivision, paragraph, section, or part thereof, directly involved in the controversy in which said judgment shall have been rendered.

**SECTION** This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication according to law.

Ordinance passed: ATTEST:

MICHAEL J. ROHAL Borough Clerk