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Article VII **Feeding of Wildlife**

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[Adopted 11-9-2005 by Ord. No. 2005-14]

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§ 123-36 Purpose.

This is an article to prohibit the feeding of unconfined wildlife in any public park or on any other property owned or operated by Mansfield Township, Warren County, New Jersey, so as to protect public health, safety and welfare, and to prescribe penalties for failure to comply.

§ 123-37 Definitions.

For the purpose of this article, the following terms, phrases, words and their derivations shall have the meanings stated herein unless their use in the text of this article clearly demonstrates a different meaning. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words used in the plural number include the singular number, and words used in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory.

FEED

To give, place, expose, deposit, distribute or scatter any edible material with the intention of feeding, attracting or enticing wildlife. Feeding does not include baiting in the legal taking of fish and/or game.

PERSON

Any individual, corporation, company, partnership, firm, association, or political subdivision of this state subject to municipal jurisdiction.

WILDLIFE

All animals that are not domesticated.

§ 123-38 Prohibited conduct.

No person shall feed, in any public park or on any other property owned or operated by the Township of Mansfield, any wildlife, excluding confined wildlife (for example, wildlife confined in zoos, parks or rehabilitation centers, or unconfined wildlife at environmental education centers).

§ 123-39 Enforcement.

A.

This article shall be enforced by the Mansfield Township Police Department and/or other such designated persons of the Mansfield Township Recreation Committee.

[Amended 10-23-2013 by Ord. No. 2013-16]

B.

Any person found to be in violation of this article shall be ordered to cease the feeding immediately.

§ 123-40 Violations and penalties.

[Amended 6-10-2015 by Ord. No. 2015-07]

Violations of the provisions of this article shall be punishable as provided in § 1-17 of the Code of the Township of Mansfield.