

**BOROUGH OF OLD TAPPAN
ORDINANCE NO. 872-04**

**AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING CHAPTER 198 “SANITARY
SEWERS” OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF OLD TAPPAN
TO PROHIBIT DISCHARGES INTO THE SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Old Tappan, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. §198-5 “Harmful Substances” of Chapter 198 “Sanitary Sewers” of the Code of the Borough of Old Tappan is hereby supplemented by the addition of the following:

- D. Other prohibited discharges. No person shall discharge or cause to be discharged any stormwater, groundwater, roof runoff, yard drainage, yard fountain, pond overflow or any substance other than sanitary sewage into the sanitary collection system. No roof runoff, sump pump, swimming pool discharge, or surface water drainage shall be connected to the sanitary sewer system and no building shall be constructed nor shall any existing buildings be hereafter altered in such a manner that the roof drainage or any other source of discharge or drainage other than sanitary sewer shall connect with the sanitary sewer system inside or outside the building.
- E. Right of inspection. Every property owner that discharges into the Borough’s sanitary sewer system shall allow the Borough’s Construction Official or Borough Engineer to inspect the property and any buildings thereon to confirm that there is no sump pump or other prohibited discharges into the sanitary sewer system. Any person refusing to allow their property to be inspected in accordance with this paragraph shall be in violation of this section.
- F. Violations and penalties. For any and all violations of this section, upon conviction in a court of competent jurisdiction, a convicted offender shall be liable for a penalty of not less than \$100, nor more than \$1,000, or imprisonment for up to 90 days in the county jail, or both. Each violation of this chapter shall be considered a separate offense.

Section 2. Repealer.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed as to said inconsistencies and conflicts.

Section 3. Severability.

If any section, part of any section, or clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the remaining provisions of this ordinance. The governing body of the Borough of Old Tappan declares that it would have passed the ordinance and each section and subsection thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more of the subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases may be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

Section 4. Effective Date.

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication according to law.