**FLOOD INSURANCE**

It is strongly recommended that building owners in Lincoln Park’s Special Flood Hazard Area maintain flood insurance coverage. Be aware that your homeowner’s insurance policy will not cover losses due to flooding. Note that you have a 20% chance of experiencing a flood during the life of a 30-year mortgage. If you’re not on a 30-day waiting period, coverage goes into effect. If you do not have an agent or your agent does not write flood insurance policies, the NFIP has a toll free number 1-888-377-9911 or visit the following website, www.floodsmart.gov.

**FLOOD SAFETY**

All residents should remember the following in the event of a flood:

1. Do not walk through flowing water during a flood. Currents can be deceptive and move faster than anticipated. A mere 6 inches of fast moving flood water can knock over an adult.

2. Do not drive through flooded areas. Flood water can lead to vehicle damage, personal injury and even death in severe instances. It takes just 12 inches of rushing water to carry away a small car, while two feet of rushing water can carry away most vehicles. Turn around, don’t drown.

3. Stay away from power lines and electrical wires. The number two killer regardless of flooding is electrocution. Electrical current can travel through water. Call 911 immediately to report a live line or otherwise unsafe power line. If powerlines are touching your car, do not exit the vehicle unless in immediate danger.

4. Have your utilities turned off. If you know a flood is coming, you should shut off the gas and electricity and move valuable contents upstairs. This includes any such contents which are currently in a garage which may also be subject to flooding. It is wise to keep a detailed check list of things to do which would easily be available during and prior to emergency weather conditions. Some appliances such as televisions, set electrical charges even after they have been unplugged. Don’t use appliances or motors that have gotten wet unless they have been dried and certified as usable. You should also be alert for gas leaks. Use a flashlight to inspect for damage immediately after a flood. Don’t smoke or use candles or other open flame unless you know the gas has been turned off in the area in question and said area is vented properly.

5. During severe flood events, Borough officials may decide that evacuation is necessary. Please follow all advisories and warnings in case of evacuation.

**FLOODPROOFING**

There are several different ways to protect a building from flood damage. One way is to keep water away by upgrading your lot or building with a small wall or earthen berm. Another approach is to make your walls waterproof and place water tight closures over the doorways. This method is not recommended for houses with basements or if water levels will be over two (2) feet deep. A third approach is to raise the house above flood levels. The above measures are referred to as flood proofing or retrofitting. There are also steps which can be taken to protect against high wind velocity such as installing strong shutters and reinforced garage doors. Financial assistance may be available for certain flood mitigation activities. Important Note: Most alterations to your building or land require a permit from the Building Department. Please check with the Construction Official prior to implementing any of the above procedures to determine what permits may be necessary. Additionally, qualified/certified staff members will provide advice and assistance on how to retrofit or modify a building to protect it from flood damage. Please contact the Borough Engineer for more information on floodproofing.

**WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP**

The Borough of Lincoln Park always appreciates cooperation and assistance from property owners. Here are some of the ways in which you can help in the Borough’s efforts to reduce damage due to flooding.

1. Do not dump or throw any solid articles into the catch basins, drainage ditches, or streams located throughout the Borough. Throwing solid debris into these features prevents them from operating at peak levels during times of flooding. To report violations of stream dumping regulations, please contact the Poconol Park Department at 570-354-5555 and/or the Construction Official at 973-523-2026.

2. Always check with the Building Department before you build on, upgrade, or otherwise have construction activity on your property. A permit may be needed to insure that the project does not cause problems on other properties. A permit will be necessary if substantial improvements are made. The National Flood Insurance Program requires that if the cost of reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition or other improvements to a building equals or exceeds 50% of the building’s market value, then the building must meet the same construction requirements as a new building. Substantially damaged buildings must also be brought up to the same standards and must be elevated above base flood elevation.

3. Sign up for the Emergency Notification System (Reverse 9-1-1) service that allows the Office of Emergency Management to contact registered phones with critical and timely information. You can register your home, cell phones, and office phone. You can also register for the Emergency Notification System on the Borough website at www.lincolnpark.org or by visiting the Police Department in the Municipal Complex at 34 Chapel Hill Road.

**SPECIAL WARNINGS FOR CHILDREN**

Parents or guardians should remind children that:

1. They should never walk through flood water as you never know how deep it might be.

2. They should never drink or touch flood water as it may be contaminated.

3. They should stay away from all utilities, including drown wires, as they can be extremely dangerous.

4. They should let a parent or guardian know if they hear a flood watch or warning.
Solutions to Stormwater Pollution

Easy Things You Can Do Every Day To Protect Our Water

A Guide to Healthy Habits for Cleaner Water

- Do a soil test to see if you need a fertilizer.
- Do not apply fertilizers if heavy rain is predicted.
- Look into alternatives for pesticides.
- Maintain a small lawn and keep the rest of your property or yard in a natural state with trees and other vegetation that requires little or no fertilizer.
- If you use fertilizers and pesticides, follow the instructions on the label on how to correctly apply it. Make sure you properly store or discard any unused portions.

Proper use and disposal of hazardous products

- Hazardous products include some household or commercial cleaning products, lawn and garden care products, motor oil, antifreeze, and paint.
- Do not pour any hazardous products down a storm drain because storm drains are usually connected to local waterbodies and the water is not treated.
- If you have hazardous products in your home or workplace, make sure you store or dispose of them properly. Read the label for guidance.
- Use natural or less toxic alternatives when possible.
- Recycle used motor oil.
- Contact your municipality, county or facility management office for the locations of hazardous-waste disposal facilities.

Keep pollution out of storm drains

- Municipalities and other public agencies are required to mark certain storm drain inlets with messages reminding people that storm drains are connected to local waterbodies.
- Do not let sewage or other wastes flow into a stormwater system.

Clean up after your pet

- Many municipalities and public agencies must enact and enforce local pet-waste rules.
- An example is requiring pet owners or their keepers to pick up and properly dispose of pet waste dropped on public or other people’s property.
- Make sure you know your town’s or agency’s requirements and comply with them. It’s the law. Remember to:
  - Use newspaper bags or poop-scoopers to pick up wastes.
  - Dispose of the wrapped pet waste in the trash or an unwrapped in a toilet.
  - Never discard pet waste in a storm drain.

Don’t feed wildlife

- Do not feed wildlife, such as ducks and geese, in public areas.
- Many municipalities and other public agencies must enact and enforce a rule that prohibits wildlife feeding in these areas.

Don’t litter

- Place litter in trash receptacles.
- Participate in community cleanups.

Dispose of yard waste properly

- Keep leaves and grass out of storm drains.
- If your municipality or agency has yard waste collection rules, follow them.
- Use leaves and grass clippings as a resource for compost.
- Use a mulching mower that recycles grass clippings into the lawn.

Contact information

For more information on stormwater related topics, visit www.njstormwater.org or www.norpointpark.org.

Additional information is also available at U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Web sites www.epa.gov/nrd1/stormwater or www.epa.gov/ips.

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Division of Water Quality
Bureau of Non point Pollution Control Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program (609) 633-7021

YARD WASTE POLICIES FOR LINCOLN PARK (NO COMMERCIAL VEHICLES)

- Grass & Vegetative Waste: The Borough will collect grass based upon the availability of DPW workers or on the dates listed. Residents may deposit their grass in the designated area at the Recycling Center. Grass must be in a bio-degradable lawn and leaf bags or barrels, not to exceed 45 lbs. OR 35 gals. Clearly marked and not in the roadway.
- Leaves: Must be bagged in a bio-degradable bags or barrels (clearly marked) and free of any Garbage or other debris. Barrel not to exceed 50 lbs. Leaf bags shall be put at the curb no earlier than 24 hrs prior to scheduled pick-up, starting in October.

BULK - CURBSIDE AND RECYCLING CENTER DROP-OFF

Bulk will be picked up 4 times a year. Pick-up is determined by your route number. The schedule is included in this brochure. Items that will be picked up include: Furniture, Appliances, Lawn Mowers, Hot Water Heaters, Mattresses & Box Springs and similar bulk items. Items should not be put out more than 24 hrs in advance of pick-up. Bulk items for the Big Item Pick-Up can be dropped off by residents on Friday from 7:00 AM to 3:30 PM and Saturday from 8:00 AM to 4:15 PM. Please allow 48 hours for pick up.

ITEMS ACCEPTED AT RECYCLING CENTER

- MOTOR OIL: Used Motor Oil should be in a clean container with tight fitting lid. There is a 5 Gallon limit at any one time. Must be deposited in the approved shed. Do not ship any containers into the bins or storage drums.

- TIRES: We Accept Car Tires, Motorcycle Tires, And Light Truck Tires that are placed in the designated spot. No Tires over 14" in diameter or 14" rim width will be Accepted.

- SCRAP METAL: All Metals are Recyclable. Examples include but not limited to: pipe, metal railings, screens, Gym sets, bicycles, Appliances, hot water heaters. NO PROPANE TANKS

- ELECTRONICS RECYCLING LIMITED TO: Consist of Computers, Laptops, Monitors, Televisions, Printers, Fax, copiers, and scanners. All other electronic materials are not recycled and should be put in household garbage

- SHREDDING DAY: There is a 30 lb. limit per Lincoln Park resident with ID. Place documents in a box or paper bag, free of clips, rubber bands, metal, No wet newspapers, cardboard, books, magazines or other hard items. Spring & Fall Time and Date: 15TH Sat. Time: 8AM - 12 Noon. Place DPW Recycling Yard, 370 George Cobb.

- REUSE/RECYCLE BOOK BIN: Nothing wet or mildewed, no encyclopedias – will accept books, magazines, children’s books. Contact the office at 973-270-2058

- CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS: Is not Accepted. Residents or their Contractors are responsible for the disposal of the Material.
- CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS includes, but is not limited to: Wood, Roof shingles, Ceramic Tile, Tar Paper, Replacement Windows, Sheetrock and Linoleum. This Material Can Be Taken for a fee to: Morris County Transfer Sta., 1100 Edwards Rd., Parsippany, NJ. For more info please call MUA at Phone # 973-808-6551 or a private contractor of your choice

- STUMPS: Contact a private contractor of your choice.

- HAZARD MATERIALS: For disposal of Oil base paints, Gasoline, Thinners, Solvents, fertilizers, Pool Chemicals and any other Hazardous Materials. Please call Morris County MUA at 973-820-2244 to make appointment at their facility or get information on where and when they are having a Hazardous Collection Day. Spring and Fall Dates are announced at www.mcmpass.com
- LATEX Paint: Cars should be opened. Mixed with Cat litter or speedy dry, allowed to dry and then put in regular trash with kids off -Recycling

- CONCRETE, ASPHALT, BRICKS AND CINDER BLOCKS: Will not be accepted. This includes, but not limited to: Sidewalk pieces, Driveway pieces, Cinder Block. Materials can be taken for a fee to: FYC Recycling, 289 Matlack Drive, Totowa, NJ 07588
- TILCON, 1292 Hemlock Ave, Riverdale, NJ 07457-1500 (559)762 or a private contractor of your choice

- MEDICAL WASTE: Syringes, Lancets and any Medical Waste are not Accepted all the Borough or County. For info, Call Chilton Memorial Hospital/Access Center at 973-631-5191

- RECHARGEABLE, Button Cell, Lithium and Lead Acid which are used for cars and motorcycles can be brought to Recycling Center and deposited in designated area.
- ALKALINE BATTERIES: Such as AAA, A, C, D and 9v’s can be collected and should be thrown out in the garbage.

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- CORRUGATED CARDBOARD, BROWN PAPER BAGS, SHOE BOXES, CERIAL BOXES, GIFT BOXES

- PLASTIC TABLEWARE, STYROFOAM, GROCERY BAGS, TAKEOUT CONTAINERS, PAINT CANS, AEROSOL CANS, KIDS TOYS, HAZARDOUS MATERIAL, FOOD SOILED CONTAINER, BATTERIES, LIGHT BULBS, TIRES, GARDEN HOSES, WOOD, WASTE, CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS

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- BRUSH and/or Branches shall be in tied bundles for collection, four (4) feet in length and weighing no more than fifty (50) pounds. Brush must be prepared so that each bundle can be handled by one person and branches must not exceed four (4) inches in diameter. Brush may be placed in clearly labeled garbage containers not exceeding 50 pounds. Brush shall be placed curb-side no earlier than 24 hrs prior to scheduled pick-up. Brush contained in lawn/leaf bags will not be collected. Brush may be brought to the Borough Recycling Center at any time of the year. Christmas Tree Pickup. NO plastic bags are allowed and the tree must be free of all lights and decorations.

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