FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP ZONE DETERMINATIONS AND CITY FLOOD SERVICES

As a public service, the Building Department’s Construction Official will provide you with the following information upon request:

A. Whether your property is in a special flood hazard area as shown on the current flood insurance rate map (FIRM) on file.
B. Additional flood insurance data for a site, such as the specific flood zone and the base flood elevation if shown on the FIRM.
C. The Borough has a handbook on flood insurance purchase requirements that can help people who may need a mortgage or loan for a property in the special flood hazard area.
D. FEMA elevation certificates for many buildings are available at the Building Department. A list is on the Borough website: www.lincolnparknj.org/149/FLOOD- INFORMATION.
E. The Lincoln Park Planning Department can provide property owners and other interested inquiries with the approximate depth of flooding for a given property or area. Contact 973-266-5100 ext. 2704 to request this information.

There is no charge for any of these services and financial assistance information is available.

FLOOD SAFETY

It is strongly recommended that building owners in Lincoln Park’s Special Flood Hazard Area maintain flood insurance coverage. Please be aware that your normal homeowner insurance policy will not cover losses due to flooding. Note that you will have a 20% chance of experiencing a flood during the life of a 30-year mortgage. Flood insurance can be obtained through your insurer or direct from the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), which has a toll free number: 1-888-377-9953 or visit the following website: www.floodsmart.gov.

FLOODPROOFING

There are several different ways to protect a building from flood damage. One way is to keep water away by rerouting the flow of water or building a small floodwall 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 not to raise the house above flood levels. The above measures are referred to as floodproofing or non-floodproofing. There are, however, some steps which can be taken to protect against high wind velocity damage, 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 beginning work to determine what permits may be necessary. Additionally, qualified/certified staff members will provide assistance and advice 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 stream 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 Police Department at 973-364-5333 or the Construction Official at 973-270-2026.
2. Always check with the Building Department before you build on, upgrade, or otherwise have construction activity along a property line. A permit may be needed to ensure 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 (Revise 9-1-1) a service that alerts 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 sign up for the Emergency Notification System on the Borough website at www.lincolnparknj.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 waters 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 downed wires, as they can be extremely dangerous.
4. They should let a parent or guardian know if they hear a flood warning or watch.
**BOROUGH OF LINCOLN PARK RECYCLING REGULATIONS**

Weekly pick up **alternates** between paper and co-mingled.

The Recycling Center will still accept ALL recyclable materials. The center accepts separated materials.

**PAPER ACCEPTABLE:** (some examples)
- Office Paper, Newspaper, Magazines, Phonebooks, Junk Mail, Tissue Boxes

**PAPER NON ACCEPTABLE:**

**CARDBOARD ACCEPTABLE:**
- Corrugated Cardboard, Brown Paper Bags, Shoe Boxes, Cereal Boxes, Gift Boxes

**CARDBOARD NON ACCEPTABLE:**
- Cardboard Lined / Plastic or Bubble Wrap, Wax Paper, Food Soiled Boxes (i.e. pizza boxes, cake boxes), Packing Materials including Styrofoam

**PLASTICS:**
- ONLY 1 & 2 LOOK FOR RECYCLING SIGN ON CONTAINER WHERE NUMBERS ARE INDICATED. (WHEN IN DOUBT, THROW IT OUT)
- Metals: Aluminum and Tin Beverage Containers
- Glass: Bottles & Jars

**BULK – CURBSIDE AND RECYCLING CENTER DROP-OFF**

**ITEMS ACCEPTED AT RECYCLING CENTER**
- Proof of residency is required.
- Limit 2 loads per day.
- No Commercial Vehicles.

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

**TIRES:** We Accept Car Tires, Motorcycle Tires, and Light Truck Tires that are deposited in the designated spot.
- No Tires over 17" Rim or Equipment Tires 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 recyclable and should be put in household garbage

**SHREDDING DAY:**
- There is a 30lb Limit per Lincoln Park resident with ID.
- Place documents in a box or paper bag, free of clips, rubber bands and metal. No wet paper, newspapers, cardboard, books, magazines or any other bond items.
- Drop off time is 8:00 AM – 11:00 AM. Place: DPW Recycling Yard, 370 George Cobb

**BOOKS:** Contact the office at 973-270-2658
- No Hard Covered Books


**YARD WASTE POLICIES FOR LINCOLN PARK**
- **(NO COMMERCIAL VEHICLES)**

- **Grass & Vegetative Waste:** The Borough will collect grass based upon the availability of DPW workers on or about the dates listed. Residents may deposit their grass in the designated area at the Recycling Center. Grass must be in paper bio-degradable lawn and leaf bags or barrels, not to exceed 45 lbs. Clearly marked, not in the roadway, with lid or drain holes for water not to exceed 45lb. weight LIMIT. LANDSCAPING BARRELS DISCOURAGED due to size and weight. As always, the Borough of Lincoln Park promotes Cut It and Leave It program.
- **Leaves:** Must be bagged in a paper 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 hours before scheduled pickup, starting in October.

**Bulky and 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 curbside no earlier than 24 hours 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.

**ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED AT BOROUGH RECYCLING CENTER**
- **HAZARD MATERIALS:** For disposal of Oil base paints, Gasoline, Thinners, Solvents, Anti-Freezes, Pool Chemicals and any other Hazardous Materials. Please call Morris County MUA at 973-829-8006 to make Appointment at their facility or get information when and where they are having a Hazardous Collection Day. Spring and Fall Dates to be Announced: www.mcmua.com
- **LATEX Paint:** Cans should be opened, Mixed with Cat litter or speedy Dry, allowed to dry and harden, then put in regular trash with lids off! - Not Recycling
- **CONCRETE, ASPHALT, BRICKS AND CINDER BLOCKS:** Will not be accepted. This includes, but not limited to: Sidewalk pieces, Driveway pieces, Cinder Blocks. Materials can be taken for a fee to: FYC Recycling, 289 Mattison Drive, Totsa, NJ 973-837-6888
- **TILCON, 125 Hamburg Turnpike, Riverdale, NJ 07457 1-800-780-7625 or a private contractor of your choice.
- **STUMPS:** Contact a private contractor of your choice.

**CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS:** Is Not Accepted. Residents or their Contractors are responsible for the disposal of the Material.

**Medical Waste:** Syringes, Lancets and any Medical Waste are not Accepted at all by the Borough or County. For Info: Call Chilton Memorial Hospital/Access Center at 973-931-5191

**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 AA, MA, C, D AND 9-volts can be and should be thrown out in the garbage.

**SOLUTIONS TO STORMWATER POLLUTION**

**Easy Things You Can Do Every Day To Protect Our Water**

A Guide to Healthy Habits for Cleaner Water

Pollution on streets, parking lots and lawns is washed into storm drains, then directly to our drinking water supplies and the ocean and takes our children play in. Fertilizer, oil, pesticides, detergents, pet waste, grass clippings: You name it and it ends up in our water. Stormwater pollution is one of New Jersey’s greatest threats to clean and plentiful water, and that’s why we’re all doing something about it.

By sharing the responsibility and making small, easy changes in our daily lives, we can keep common pollutants out of stormwater. It all adds up to cleaner water, and it saves the high cost of cleaning up once it’s dirty.

As part of New Jersey’s initiative to keep our water clean and plentiful and to meet federal requirements, many municipalities and other public agencies including colleges and military bases must adopt ordinances or other rules prohibiting various activities that contribute to stormwater pollution. Breaking these rules can result in fines or other penalties.

**As a resident, business, or other member of the New Jersey community, it is important to know these easy things you can do every day to protect our water.**

Limit your use of fertilizers and pesticides
- 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 native 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.

Properly use and dispose of hazardous products
- Hazardous products include some household or commercial cleaning products, lawn and garden care products, motor oil, antifreeze, and paints.
- 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-page-7 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 many 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.
- Make sure you know your town’s or agency’s requirements and comply with them. It’s the law. And remember to:
  - Use newspaper, bags or pooper-scoopers to pick up wastes.
  - Disperse the wrapped pet waste in the trash or un-wrap a toilet in a wet.
  - 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.
- Recycle, Recycle, Recycle.
- 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.nongovsource.org
- Additional information is also available at U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Web sites www.epa.gov/nodes/stormwater or www.epa.gov/tips
- New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Division of Water Quality Bureau of Non point Pollution Control Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program (609) 533-7021

**RECYCLING IS MANDATORY IN LINCOLN PARK**