

****ADOPTED JANUARY 26, 2009****

**DELANCO TOWNSHIP
ORDINANCE 2009-1**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING FEES AND PROCEDURES
FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF MAYOR'S EXPENSES IN
CONNECTION WITH MARRIAGE AND CIVIL UNION
CEREMONIES**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 37:1-13 et seq. permits Mayors, and where authorized Deputy Mayors to perform such ceremonies to solemnize marriages and civil unions; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40:48-1 fees collected in association with the service or performance of a marriage or civil union ceremony shall be established and collected pursuant to an ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Township of Delanco, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, Chapter 168, governing "Fees" is hereby amended as follows:

Section 1. CHAPTER 168. FEES.

ARTICLE IV

Marriage and Civil Union Ceremonies

§168-7. General Provisions.

A. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to establish policies and procedures for the collection of fees associated with the performance of marriage or civil union ceremonies by the Mayor or Deputy Mayor.

B. Collection of Fees. Persons seeking to be married or joined in civil union by the mayor of Delanco shall remit a fee, as set forth below, to be paid to the Township of Delanco.

1. Residents of Delanco: \$100.00
2. Non-Residents of Delanco: \$125.00
3. Active (and/or retired) military: \$75.00
4. The Mayor may waive the full fee in his or her discretion.

§168-8. Compensation and Reimbursement.

A. Receipt of Fees. The fee shall be paid by check, payable to the Township of Delanco. Fees collected shall be deposited into the Township's current fund. In consideration of the time, preparation, clothing costs, mileage and related expenses incurred, \$50.00 of the fee shall be payable to the Mayor or Deputy Mayor that performed the service. To the extent that the salary

ordinance of the municipality provides a set salary for these positions, this ordinance amends the salary ordinance to include and allow for the disbursement of these additional fees, as the performance of ceremonies is discretionary and not a mandated responsibility of the positions.

B. Disbursement of Fees. Fees for service may be disbursed to the Mayor or Deputy Mayor through the appropriate budget line item and with appropriate authorization through approval of the bill list by the Township Committee.

Section 2.

If any section or part of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid by the judgment or any court or competent jurisdiction, such section or part shall be deemed to be severable from the remainder of this Ordinance.

Section 3.

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistencies only.

Section 4.

This Ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after successful adoption.