BOROUGH OF MILLERSBURG

Dauphin County, Pennsylvania

Tobacco-Free Park and Playground Ordinance
New Section 105
Chapter 16 of the Code of the
Borough of Millersburg

ORDINANCE NO. 8-11

BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Council Members of Millersburg Borough, Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, as follows:

SECTION 1 - Title

This Ordinance shall be known and cited as the Tobacco-Free Park and Playground Ordinance.

SECTION 2 - Purpose

This Tobacco-Free Park and Playground Ordinance is being enacted and ordained to promote and protect the public health of children in Millersburg Borough. The United States Surgeon General has stated that there is no safe level of exposure, whether indoors or outdoors, and that children’s exposure to second-hand smoke causes increased risk of sudden infant death syndrome, lower respiratory infections, middle ear diseases, more severe asthma, respiratory symptoms and slowed lung growth and is responsible for the premature deaths of over 430,000 Americans each year from lung cancer, heart disease, respiratory illness and other diseases; therefore, to help role model non-smoking behavior to children and youth and to provide children, youth and their families with a safe and smoke-free environment, Millersburg Borough has adopted these regulations.

SECTION 3 - Enforcement, Violation and Penalties

a. The Borough of Millersburg hereby establishes a twenty-five foot (25') wide buffer zone around all play equipment, restroom buildings, athletic fields, parking lots and pavilions in the Borough of Millersburg park system in which tobacco products are prohibited.

b. Violators of this Ordinance will be ejected from the park or recreational facilities. However, for every second infraction, there will be a $25.00 fine plus costs, with each subsequent violation increasing the fine by $25.00.
SECTION 4 - Effective date

This Ordinance shall become effective on January ___, 2012.

DULY ENACTED AND ORDAINED into an Ordinance this ___ day of December ____, 2011, by the Millersburg Borough Council, Dauphin County, in Lawful Session duly assembled.

ATTEST:

[Signature]

Borough Secretary

MILLERSBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL

By: [Signature]

President of Council

ENACTED AND APPROVED this ___ day of December ____, 2011.

[Signature]

Mayor