

**TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD  
CRANFORD, NEW JERSEY**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2017-09**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD,  
CHAPTER 58 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.**

**WHEREAS** the Alcoholic Beverage Control Act, N.J.S.A. 33:1-1, permits municipalities to regulate the sale of alcoholic beverages within certain parameters set by the Act; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Act N.J.A.C. 13:2-38.1 permits retail package sale licensees to sell alcoholic beverages between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. any day of the week; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Act, the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford has restricted by ordinance the sale of alcoholic beverages on Sundays to the hours of 12:00 noon and 6:00 p.m.; and

**WHEREAS**, neighboring municipalities permit the sale of alcoholic beverages on Sundays both before and after the hours to which Cranford businesses are restricted; and

**WHEREAS**, the more limited Sunday hours for Cranford businesses places those businesses at a competitive disadvantage to those in neighboring municipalities and inconveniences the public; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford has determined to revise the permitted hours for the sale of alcoholic beverages on Sundays for the benefit of Cranford's businesses and for purposes of public convenience, and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 58, Section 9, Subsection B(1), of the Municipal Code of the Township of Cranford, is amended as follows:

**§ 58-9. Hours of sale; holidays.**

A. . . . .

B. Sale of distilled alcoholic beverages.

(1) No plenary retail licensee shall sell, allow or permit the sale, service or delivery of any distilled alcoholic beverages in original containers for off-premises consumption during the following hours:

(a) On weekdays before the hour of 9:00 a.m. or after the hour of 10:00 p.m.

(b) On Sundays before the hour of ~~12:00 noon~~ 11:00 a.m. or after the hour of ~~6:00~~ 7:00 p.m.

(c) On December 24 and December 31, when these days fall on a Sunday, before the hour of 9:00 a.m. or after the hour of 10:00 p.m.

(2) . . . . .

**SECTION 2.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**EXPLANATION – Matter struck through ~~this~~ in the above Ordinance is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law. Matter underlined thus is new matter.**

**SECTION 3.** Upon final passage and publication according to law, this ordinance shall become effective immediately.

Introduced: June 27, 2017  
Adopted: July 18, 2017

APPROVED:

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Thomas H. Hannen, Jr., Chairman  
Township Committee

ATTEST:

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Tara Rowley, RMC  
Township Clerk

RECORDED VOTE	INTRODUCED	ADOPTED
Thomas H. Hannen, Jr.	Aye	Aye
Patrick F. Giblin	Aye	Aye
Ann Dooley	Absent	Aye
Andis Kalnins	Aye	Aye
Mary O’Connor	Aye	Aye