

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-12

ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 11 ENTITLED "RECREATION FACILITIES" SECTION 11-5 "KEYPORT FISHING PIER" BY CREATING NEW SECTION 11-5.3 "DOCK TIME LIMIT" OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF KEYPORT

WHEREAS, the Borough of Keyport seeks to promote the safe, fair, and efficient use of municipal docks and bulkheads, reduce congestion, and provide equitable access to waterfront facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Borough of Keyport (the "Borough") is desirous of creating a new Section 11-5.3 "Dock Time Limit";

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Borough Council of the Borough of Keyport that the following new Section of Chapter 11 of the Borough Code be and is hereby created to read as follows:

Deletions are noted by ~~strike throughs~~

Additions are indicated in **bold underline**

Language that remains unchanged is not highlighted in any way

SECTION I

Chapter 11 Recreation Facilities

§11-5.3 Municipal Dock Time Limit.

- A. No vessel shall tie up, dock, or otherwise occupy any municipal dock, bulkhead, or similar public waterfront structure within Keyport Harbor for a period exceeding fifteen (15) minutes. This limitation shall apply to all vessels unless otherwise authorized by the Harbor Master or designated municipal authority for emergency, safety, or operational reasons.
- B. Enforcement. The Keyport Police Department, and other authorized enforcement personnel shall have the authority to enforce this Ordinance, issue citations, and direct vessels to vacate municipal docking areas.
- C. Penalties. Any person or vessel found to be in violation of this Ordinance shall be subject to a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100) per violation. Each occurrence and each separate instance of non-compliance shall constitute a separate offense enforceable in the Keyport Municipal Court.

SECTION II. SEVERABILITY

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any article, section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance and they shall remain in full force and effect, and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

SECTION III. REPEALER

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all other ordinances in conflict or inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed, to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency. In the event of

any inconsistencies between the provisions of this Ordinance and any prior ordinance of the City, the provisions hereof shall be determined to govern.

SECTION IV. EFFECTIVE DATE

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage and publication in accordance with law.

ORDINANCE INTRODUCED						
Councilmember	Offered	Seconded	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brady			X			
Bergen			X			
Kyne			X			
McNamara			X			
Merla		X	X			
Pecora	X		X			

CERTIFICATION

I, Michele Clark, Borough Clerk, do hereby certify that this is a true copy of the ordinance introduced by the Governing Body of the Borough of Keyport on May 5, 2026.



Michele Clark, RMC
Borough Clerk

ORDINANCE ADOPTED						
Councilmember	Offered	Seconded	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Brady			X			
Bergen						X
Kyne			X			
McNamara			X			
Merla		X	X			
Pecora	X		X			

Introduced: May 5, 2026
Public Hearing: May 19, 2026
Adopted: May 19, 2026



Michele Clark, RMC
Borough Clerk



Rose P. Araneo, Mayor
Borough of Keyport