

What You Need To Know About the Bridgeport Ordinances



ENGLISH-ONLY ORDINANCE

- English is the official language in Bridgeport;
- English is to be used in all municipal communications;
- Translations are permitted; however, they are not a "right" of the people and they are not legally binding;
- Individuals DO have the right to speak in their preferred language in personal communications and within their homes.

ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION RELIEF ACT

- Prohibits businesses from employing undocumented immigrants to work in the Borough of Bridgeport;
- Businesses will be required to sign an agreement stating that they will not knowingly employ undocumented immigrants;
- Prohibits landlords from knowingly renting to undocumented immigrants.

REGISTRATION FOR RENTAL PROPERTIES ORDINANCE

- Landlords who rent out their properties in Bridgeport must apply for a rental license with the Borough;
- All individuals who are renting in Bridgeport must obtain a permit to live in the Borough;
- Each individual must pay \$10 to obtain the permit;
- Individuals renting in Bridgeport without an occupancy permit could face fines between \$100-\$300 and/or be imprisoned;
- Landlords who allow persons to rent in the Borough without an occupancy permit can be fined up to \$1000 per occupant and \$100 per day for each violation.