

TITLE 7

FIRE PROTECTION AND FIREWORKS

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CHAPTER 1

FIRE DISTRICT

SECTION

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7-101. Fire limits described. The corporate fire limits shall be as follows: the central business district, including any area serviced by water mains six inches (6") or larger in diameter. (1964 Code, § 7-101)

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FIRE CODE

SECTION

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7-201. Fire code adopted. Pursuant to authority granted by *Tennessee Code Annotated*, § 6-620, and for the purpose of prescribing regulations governing conditions hazardous to life and property from fire or explosion, the *Fire Prevention Code, Abbreviated Edition*, as recommended by the National Board of Fire Underwriters, is hereby adopted by reference and included herein as a part of this code. Pursuant to the requirement of *Tennessee Code Annotated*, § 6-621, three (3) copies of said fire prevention code have been filed with the city recorder and are available for public use and inspection. Said fire prevention code is adopted and incorporated as fully as if set out at length herein and shall be controlling within the corporate limits. (1964 Code, § 7-201)

7-202. Enforcement. The fire prevention code herein adopted by reference shall be enforced by the chief of the fire department. (1964 Code, § 7-202)

7-203. Definition of "municipality." Whenever the word "municipality" is used in the fire prevention code herein adopted, it shall be held to mean this municipality. (1964 Code, § 7-203)

7-204. Storage of flammable liquids and liquefied petroleum gas. The limits referred to in the fire prevention code herein adopted, in which storage of flammable liquids in outside above ground tanks is prohibited, and the limits referred to in said fire prevention code, in which bulk storage of liquefied petroleum gas is restricted, are hereby declared to be the fire limits as set out in § 7-101 of this code. (1964 Code, § 7-204)

7-205. Gasoline trucks. No person shall operate or park any gasoline tank truck within the central business district or within any residential area at any time except for the purpose of and while actually engaged in the expeditious delivery of gasoline. (1964 Code, § 7-205)

7-206. Modifications. The chief of the fire department may recommend to the governing body modifications of the provisions of the fire prevention code upon application in writing by any property owner or lessee, or the duly authorized agent of either, when there are practical difficulties in the way of carrying out the strict letter of the code, provided that the spirit of the code shall be observed, public safety secured, and substantial justice done. The particulars of such modifications when granted or allowed shall be contained in an amendment to this code or a resolution of the governing body. (1964 Code, § 7-206)

7-207. Violations and penalty. It shall be unlawful for any person to violate any of the provisions of this chapter or the fire prevention code hereby adopted, or fail to comply therewith, or violate or fail to comply with any order made thereunder; or build in violation of any detailed statement of specifications or plans submitted and approved thereunder, or any certificate or permit issued thereunder, and from which no appeal has been taken; or fail to comply with such an order as affirmed or modified by the governing body of the municipality or by a court of competent jurisdiction, within the time fixed herein. The application of a penalty under the general penalty clause for the city code shall not be held to prevent the enforced removal of prohibited conditions. (1964 Code, § 7-207)

CHAPTER 3

FIRE DEPARTMENT

SECTION

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7-301. Establishment, equipment and membership. There is hereby established a fire department to be supported and equipped from appropriations by the governing body of the municipality. All apparatus, equipment and supplies shall be purchased by or through the municipality and shall be and remain the property of the municipality, the fire department shall be composed of a chief appointed by the governing body and such member of physically fit subordinate officers and firemen as the chief shall appoint. (1964 Code, § 7-301)

7-302. Objectives. The fire department shall have as its objectives:

- (1) To prevent uncontrolled fires from starting;
- (2) To prevent loss of life and property in case a fire does start;
- (3) To confine a fire to the place of origin;
- (4) To extinguish uncontrolled fires;
- (5) To prevent loss of life from asphyxiation or drowning; and
- (6) To perform such rescue work as its equipment and/or the training of its personnel makes practicable. (1964 Code, § 7-302)

7-303. Organization, rules and regulations. The chief of the fire department shall set up the organization of the department, make definite assignments to individuals, and shall formulate and enforce such rules and regulations as shall be necessary for the orderly and efficient operation of the fire department. (1964 Code, § 7-303)

7-304. Records and reports. The chief of the fire department shall keep adequate records of all fires, inspections, apparatus, equipment, personnel and work of the department. He shall submit a written report on such matters to the mayor once each month, and at the end of the year a detailed annual report shall be made. (1964 Code, § 7-304)

7-305. Tenure and compensation of members. (1) The chief shall hold office so long as his conduct and efficiency are satisfactory to the governing body. However, so that adequate discipline may be maintained, the chief shall have the authority to suspend or discharge any other member of the fire department when he deems such action to be necessary for the good of the department. The chief may be suspended up to thirty (30) days by the city manager but may be dismissed only by the governing body.

(2) All personnel of the fire department shall receive such compensation for their services as the governing body may from time to time prescribe. (1964 Code, § 7-305)

7-306. Chief responsible for training. The chief of the fire department shall be fully responsible for the training of the firemen, and the minimum training shall consist of having the personnel take the fire apparatus out for practice operations not less than once a month. (1964 Code, § 7-306)

7-307. Equipment to be used only within the corporate limits. No equipment of the fire department shall be used fighting any fire outside the corporate limits. (1964 Code, § 7-307)

7-308. Chief to be assistant to state officer. Pursuant to requirements of *Tennessee Code Annotated*, § 53-2408, the chief of the fire department is designated as assistant to the state commissioner of insurance and banking and is subject to all the duties and obligations imposed by *Tennessee Code Annotated*, title 53, chapter 24 and shall be subject to the directions of the fire prevention commissioner in the execution of the provisions thereof. (1964 Code, § 7-308)

CHAPTER 4**FIREWORKS****SECTION**

7-401. Sale of fireworks.

7-401. Sale of fireworks. The City of Adams, Tennessee, permits the sale of fireworks within the corporate limits of the municipality at the following times:

(1) Two (2) weeks before the 4th of July and one (1) week after the 4th of July; and two (2) weeks before December 25th and one (1) week after January 1st.

(2) Except at the above times, it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to store fireworks in the City of Adams.

(3) Except at the above times, it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to offer for sale any fireworks within the City of Adams.

(4) It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to store or sale fireworks within three hundred feet (300') of any gas pumps or businesses.

(5) The City of Adams shall charge a fee of one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125.00) for each period of time fireworks are sold. (Ord. #66, June 1995)