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CHAPTER 1**IN GENERAL****SECTION**

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7-101. Fire district. The fire limits shall be and include all property within the corporate limits.

7-102. Storage of explosives, flammable liquids, etc. The storage of explosives and blasting agents is prohibited within the corporate limits.

7-103. Gasoline trucks. No person shall operate or park any gasoline truck or any vehicle carrying flammable or combustible liquids within the central business district or any residential area at any time except for the purpose of, and while actually engaged in, the expeditious delivery of gasoline or the flammable or combustible liquid.

7-104. Use of fire equipment outside corporate limits. Except for a mutual aid request or through interlocal agreement, no equipment of the fire department shall be used for fighting any fire, or providing any emergency response or other emergency service, outside the corporate limits unless the response is to town property, or unless, when in the opinion of the chief of the fire department, that such fire is in such proximity to property owned by or located within the town so as to endanger the town property.

¹Municipal code reference

Building, utility and residential codes: title 12.

CHAPTER 2

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT¹

SECTION

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7-201. Establishment, equipment, and membership. There is hereby established a volunteer fire department to be supported and equipped from appropriations by the board of mayor and aldermen. All apparatus, equipment, and supplies shall be purchased by or through the town and shall be and remain the property of the town. The fire department shall be composed of a chief appointed by the mayor and such number of subordinate officers and firefighters as the mayor shall appoint.

7-202. Objectives. The volunteer fire department shall have as its objectives:

- (1) To prevent uncontrolled fires from starting.
- (2) To prevent the loss of life and property because of fires.
- (3) To confine fires to their places of origin.
- (4) To extinguish uncontrolled fires.
- (5) To prevent loss of life from asphyxiation or drowning.
- (6) To perform such rescue work as its equipment and/or the training of its personnel makes practicable.
- (7) To provide emergency medical care at the highest level that the equipment and training of the personnel makes practicable.
- (8) To provide code enforcement and building inspections as directed by the town within adopted codes and ordinances.
- (9) To serve as the emergency management agency of the town.
- (10) To protect the health and safety of the citizens from the transportation, storage, or manufacture of hazardous materials to the extent possible that the level of equipment and training will allow.
- (11) To work with the water department to insure that adequate water supplies for fire protection are available.

¹Municipal code reference

Special privileges with respect to traffic: title 15, chapter 2.

(12) To provide public fire and life safety education materials and information to the citizens in order that they may protect themselves from harm and reduce the risk of fire in the community.

7-203. Organization, rules, and regulations. The chief of the volunteer fire department shall set up the organization of the department, make definite assignments to individuals, and formulate and enforce such rules and regulations as shall be necessary for the orderly and efficient operation of the volunteer fire department, under the direction of the mayor.

7-204. Records and reports. The chief of the volunteer fire department shall keep adequate records of all fires, inspections, apparatus, equipment, personnel, and work of the department. He shall submit such written reports on those matters to the mayor as the mayor shall require. The mayor shall submit a report on those matters as the board of mayor and aldermen may require.

7-205. Compensation. All personnel of the volunteer fire department shall receive such compensation for their services as the board shall prescribe.

7-206. Training and maintenance. The chief of the fire department shall be responsible for the training of firefighters, and for the maintenance of all property and equipment of the fire department, under the direction and subject to the requirements of the mayor.

7-207. Chief to be assistant to state officer. Pursuant to requirements of Tennessee Code Annotated, § 68-102-108, the chief of the fire department is designated as an assistant to the state commissioner of commerce and insurance and is subject to all the duties and obligations imposed by Tennessee Code Annotated, title 68, chapter 102, and shall be subject to the directions of the commissioner in the execution of the provisions thereof.

CHAPTER 3**FIREWORKS****SECTION**

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7-301. Definition. "Fireworks" means any composition or device for the purpose of producing a visible or an audible effect by combustion, deflagration, or detonation and which also meets the definition of Tennessee law.

7-302. Sales prohibited. The sale of fireworks within the town limits is hereby prohibited.

7-303. Dates and hours of use. Fireworks may only be used:

(1) On July 3 between the hours of 10:00 A.M. through 10:30 P.M.

(2) On July 4, between the hours of 10:00 A.M. through 11:30 P.M.

(3) On December 31 through January 1, between the hours of 8:00 P.M. through 1:00 A.M.

The detonation of fireworks at other times is hereby prohibited.

7-304. Violations and penalty. Violations of this chapter shall be subject to a fifty dollar (\$50.00) fine for each occurrence.