

TITLE 7

FIRE PROTECTION AND FIREWORKS<sup>1</sup>

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CHAPTER 1

FIRE DISTRICT

SECTION

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7-101. Fire limits described. The corporate fire limits shall be and include all that area of the city zoned as the central business district. (1984 Code, § 7-101)

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<sup>1</sup>Municipal code reference  
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## CHAPTER 2

FIRE CODE<sup>1</sup>

## SECTION

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7-201. Fire code adopted. Pursuant to authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated, §§ 6-54-501 through 6-54-506, and for the purpose of prescribing regulations governing conditions hazardous to life and property from fire or explosion, the Standard Fire Prevention Code,<sup>2</sup> 1994 edition with 1995 revisions, as recommended by the Southern Building Code Congress International, Inc. is hereby adopted by reference and included as a part of this code. Pursuant to the requirement of Tennessee Code Annotated, § 6-54-502, one (1) copy of the fire prevention code has been filed with the city recorder and is 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. (1984 Code, § 7-201, modified)

7-202. Enforcement. The fire prevention code herein adopted by reference shall be enforced by the chief of the fire department. He shall have the same powers as the state fire marshal. (1984 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 the City of Adamsville, Tennessee. (1984 Code, § 7-203)

7-204. Storage of explosives, flammable liquids, etc. The limits referred to in § 1901.4.2 of the fire prevention code, in which storage of explosive materials is prohibited, are hereby declared to be the fire limits as set out in § 7-101 of this code.

The limits referred to in § 902.1.1 of the fire prevention code, in which storage of flammable or combustible liquids in outside above ground tanks is prohibited, are hereby declared to be the fire limits as set out in § 7-101 of this code.

The limits referred to in § 906.1 of the fire prevention code, in which new bulk plants for flammable or combustible liquids are prohibited, are hereby declared to be the fire limits as set out in § 7-101 of this code.

The limits referred to in § 1701.4.2 of the 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. (1984 Code, § 7-204)

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<sup>1</sup>Municipal code reference

Building, utility and housing codes: title 12.

<sup>2</sup>Copies of this code are available from the Southern Building Code Congress International, Inc., 900 Montclair Road, Birmingham, Alabama 35213-1206.

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. (1984 Code, § 7-205)

7-206. Variances. The chief of the fire department may recommend to the city commission variances from 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 variances when granted or allowed shall be contained in a resolution of the city commission. (1984 Code, § 7-206)

7-207. Violations. It shall be unlawful for any person to violate any of the provisions of this chapter or the fire prevention code herein 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 city commission or by a court of competent jurisdiction, within the time fixed herein. The application of a penalty under the general penalty clause for the municipal code shall not be held to prevent the enforced removal of prohibited conditions. (1984 Code, § 7-207)

## CHAPTER 3

VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT<sup>1</sup>

## SECTION

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7-301. Establishment, equipment, and membership. There is hereby established a volunteer fire department to be supported and equipped from appropriations by the city commission. All apparatus, equipment, and supplies shall be purchased by or through the municipality and shall be and remain the property of the municipality. The volunteer fire department shall be composed of a chief appointed by the city commission and such number of physically-fit subordinate officers and firemen as the chief shall appoint. (1984 Code, § 7-301)

7-302. 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. (1984 Code, § 7-302)

7-303. 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 shall formulate and enforce such rules and regulations as shall be necessary for the orderly and efficient operation of the department. (1984 Code, § 7-303)

7-304. 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 a written report on such matters to the commissioner of fire and police once each month, and at the end of the year a detailed annual report shall be made. (1984 Code, § 7-304)

7-305. Tenure and compensation of members. The chief shall hold office so long as his conduct and efficiency are satisfactory to the city commission. 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

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<sup>1</sup>Municipal code reference

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

to thirty (30) days by the commissioner of fire and police but may be dismissed only by the city commission.

All personnel of the volunteer fire department shall receive such compensation for their services as the city commission may from time to time prescribe. (1984 Code, § 7-305)

7-306. Chief responsible for training and maintenance. The chief of the volunteer fire department, shall be fully responsible for the training of the firemen and for maintenance of all property and equipment of the fire department. The minimum training shall consist of having the personnel take the fire apparatus out for practice operations not less than once a month. (1984 Code, § 7-306)

7-307. Chief to be assistant to state officer. Pursuant to requirements of Tennessee Code Annotated, § 68-102-108, the chief of the volunteer 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. (1984 Code, § 7-308)

## CHAPTER 4

FIRE SERVICE OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS

## SECTION

7-401. Fire protection outside corporate limits.

7-401. Fire protection outside corporate limits. (1) The Adamsville Fire Department is hereby authorized to respond to calls and provide protection within a five (5) mile radius of the corporate limits of the City of Adamsville, Tennessee within McNairy County, Tennessee.

(2) Only one company shall be authorized to respond to calls and provide fire protection outside the corporate limits of the City of Adamsville, Tennessee. (Ord. #87080301, Aug. 1987)