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CHAPTER 1

EMERGENCY ALARM DEVICES

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- **20-101.** <u>False alarm</u>. "False alarm" means an alarm signal eliciting a response by the Police and/or Fire Department when a situation requiring a response by the Police and/or Fire Department does not in fact exist; but in this definition does not include an alarm signal caused by unusually violent conditions of nature nor does it include other extraordinary circumstances not reasonably subject to control by the alarm user. (Ord. #2012-002, Feb. 2012)

20-102. False alarm activations.

- (1) Whenever an alarm is activated in the City, thereby requiring an emergency response to the location by Police and/or Fire personnel, a Police and/or Fire Officer on the scene of the activated alarm shall determine whether the emergency response was in fact required as indicated by the alarm system or whether in some way the alarm system malfunctioned and thereby activated a false alarm.
- (2) If the Police or Fire Officer at the scene of the activated alarm system determined the alarm to be false and no emergency response was necessary, then said Officer shall submit a report of the false alarm to the City Administrator, or his designee, and the respective Chief. A written notification of emergency response and determination of the response shall be mailed or delivered to the alarm user at the address of location where alarm was activated. The addressee upon receipt of the notification shall be entitled to a hearing before the City Administrator or his designee and addressee desiring a

hearing and shall request said hearing within ten (10) days of the date of notification.

- (3) The Police or Fire Official shall have the right to inspect any alarm system on the premises to which response has been made and he may cause inspection of such system to be made at any reasonable time thereafter to determine whether it is in conformity with this chapter.
- (4) It shall be a violation of this chapter to intentionally cause a false alarm, and any person who intentionally causes a false alarm shall be subject to the penalty provisions contained herein.
- (5) There shall be a fourteen (14) day grace period provided to the alarm user during the initial installation of the alarm system. For fourteen (14) days after the alarm has been installed, the fees provided for in § 20-103 will not apply.
- (6) Any alarm business testing or servicing any alarm system shall notify the Police and/or Fire Departments and instruct said Departments of the location and time of said testing or servicing. The fees provided for in § 20-103 will not apply to the alarm user if prior notice of testing or servicing has been made to the respective Departments as outlined in this section. (Ord. #2012-002, Feb. 2012, modified)
- **20-103.** Fee assessment for false alarms. More than three (3) false alarms of any type of defined alarm system that occur within any six (6) month period (January -- June or July -- December) is excessive and constitutes a public nuisance. The activation of four (4) or more false alarms within either of the above defined six (6) month periods will result in penalties of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for each such false alarm, which shall be due and owing the City of Sevierville within ten (10) days from the date of false alarm. (Ord. #2012-002, Feb. 2012)
- **20-104.** <u>Disconnection</u>. In the event that an alarm system emitting an audible, visual, or other similar response shall fail to be deactivated within thirty (30) minutes, the City shall have the right to take such action as may be necessary in order to disconnect any such alarm. (Ord. #2012-002, Feb. 2012, modified)
- **20-105.** <u>Penalty for offenses</u>. Any person failing to comply with any of the provisions of this chapter shall be guilty of a violation, and upon conviction in City Court, shall be subject to a fine of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00). Each occurrence shall constitute a separate offense. (Ord. #2012-002, Feb. 2012)
- **20-106.** Automatic telephone dialing alarm systems prohibited. Use of automatic telephone dialing systems for the purpose of directly requesting emergency service from the Fire and/or Police Departments is prohibited. (Ord. #2012-002, Feb. 2012)

20-107. <u>Severability of provisions</u>. Should any of the provisions of this chapter be determined to be invalid, the remaining provisions will not be affected by such invalidity. (Ord. #2012-002, Feb. 2012)

CHAPTER 2

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR CITY PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

SECTION

20-201. General code of conduct.

- **20-201.** General code of conduct. This Code of Conduct shall be followed by all persons using any recreational grounds and facilities operated or controlled by the City of Sevierville. The requirements of the Code are in addition to the requirements of the Sevierville Municipal Code, which also applies to all users of City grounds and facilities.
- (1) Any physical or verbal abuse toward another person is strictly prohibited.
- (2) All users must comply with all instructions from Department of Parks and Recreation staff members.
- (3) No writing on, marking on, defacing, abusing or damaging any City property in any manner. Violators shall be required to pay all costs of repair, in addition to any other penalties imposed for violation of this Code or other applicable law.
- (4) No loitering in any facility. You must be a participant in an activity and/or organized meeting relating to such activity.
 - (5) No misuse or abuse of equipment.
 - (6) No public displays of affection.
- (7) No alcoholic beverages, drugs, or gambling in buildings or on surrounding grounds. Groups holding functions held at the Civic Center may be permitted to serve alcoholic beverages upon approval from the Director of Parks and Recreation.
- (8) Use of tobacco products is prohibited within all City Recreation Facilities as provided in Title 11, chapter 7 of the Sevierville Municipal Code.
- (9) Per State Law, possession of tobacco products by persons under the age of eighteen (18) years is not allowed on any City property.
- (10) No riding or parking of any type of motorized vehicle in any area not designated or designed as a marked parking area, or in any officially posted area without written permission. Riding of skateboards is allowed only in areas designated for such activity.
- (11) Sevierville Parks and Recreation reserves the right to close any facility for any reason deemed necessary or desirable by the Director of Parks and Recreation or his designee, including but not limited to inclement weather, maintenance and scheduled events.
- (12) All outdoor public parks owned or leased by the City of Sevierville Department of Parks and Recreation will officially open for public use at 6:00 A.M. each morning and close for public use at 11:00 P.M. each night, unless

different hours are posted at the park, and unless approved scheduled events are taking place after that time, in which case all persons must leave the premises within (15) fifteen minutes after the conclusion of the program. All areas not lighted will close at dusk. No visitors are permitted in a park at any time except when the park is open.

- (13) No camping, sleeping, or overnight parking is allowed in or on any outdoor park, parking lot, trail, or greenway operated by City of Sevierville without written permission from the Director of Park and Recreation.
- (14) No person shall exhibit, sell or offer for sale, hire, lease or let out any object or merchandise, or anything whatsoever, except under a permit issued by the Department of Parks and Recreation. For advertising, commercial or publicity purposes, no person shall take moving pictures or photographs within the limits of any park, or buy or sell or publish the negatives thereof or the prints therefrom or exhibit such negatives or prints in public, or use pictures or photographs of any park or park structure, or perform any personal service for hire in any park, except under a permit or otherwise than in accordance with the terms of such permit.
- (15) Any violation of this Code of Conduct may result in suspension from Recreation Facilities and /or activities. A violation will result in a Written Disciplinary Report. A copy of the Report will be mailed to the parents or guardians of children under the age of eighteen (18) years. Violators who are juveniles may be reported to the appropriate juvenile authorities and subject to prosecution and punishment by same.
- (16) The Director of Parks and Recreation and the City of Sevierville will maintain copies of the Written Discipline Report. Any person who commits two or more violations within a twelve (12) month period may be issued a citation by City police to appear in court pursuant to the Sevierville Municipal Code or other applicable law. Citation to court may subject the violator to suspension from use of City Recreational Facilities, permanent loss of the privilege to use City Recreational Facilities, and any other penalties provided by law.
- (17) All provisions of the Sevierville Municipal Code must be obeyed, including but not limited to Article 9, Chapter 2 regarding solicitation. Violations of the Municipal Code are subject to the penalties set forth in the Municipal Code and any additional penalties set forth in this Code of Conduct.
- (18) Particular City Recreational Facilities may have Codes of Conduct that must also be followed by persons using those facilities, in addition to the rules set forth in this Code of Conduct.
- (19) Violations of any of the Codes of Conduct are punishable by a fine of up to fifty dollars (\$50.00) per violation, plus additional penalties as set forth in the Codes of Conduct and in the Sevierville Municipal Code. These penalties are in addition to any other remedies provided in the Sevierville Municipal Code or in State law.

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and understand this document	ment and its meaning in full.
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(as added by Ord. #2018-0	14, Sept, 2018 Ch4_10-21-19)