TITLE 12

BUILDING, UTILITY, ETC. CODES

CHAPTER
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CHAPTER 1

BUILDING CODE

SECTION
12-102. Modifications.
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12-101. Building code adopted. Pursuant to authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated, §§ 6-54-501 to 6-54-506, and for the purpose of establishing the minimum requirements to safeguard the public health, safety and general welfare through structural strength, means of egress facilities, stability, sanitation, adequate light and ventilation, energy conservation, and safety to life and property from fire and other hazards attributed to the built environment, the International Building Code,2 2018 edition; as prepared and adopted by the International Code Council are hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as a part of this code, and are hereinafter referred to as the International Building Codes. (Ord. #2010-004, Oct. 2010, as amended by Ord. #2018-03, April 2018)

1Municipal code references
Fire protection, fireworks, and explosives: title 7.
Planning and zoning: title 14.
Streets and other public ways and places: title 16.
Utilities and services: titles 18 and 19.

2Copies of this code (and any amendments) are available from the International Code Council, 900 Montclair Road, Birmingham, Alabama 35213.
12-102. Modifications. (1) Definitions. Whenever in the *International Building Code* reference is made to the duties of a certain official named therein, that designated official of the City of LaFollette who has duties corresponding to those of the named official in said codes shall be deemed to be the responsible official insofar as enforcing the provisions of the building code are concerned.

(2) Permit fees. The schedule of permit fees shall be as follows:

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<th>Total Valuation</th>
<th>Permit Fee</th>
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<tr>
<td>$1 to $500</td>
<td>$24</td>
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<td>$501 to $2,000</td>
<td>$24 for the first $500; plus $3 for each additional $100 or fraction thereof; to and including $2,000</td>
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<td>$2,001 to $40,000</td>
<td>$69 for the first $2,000; plus $11 for each additional $1,000 or fraction thereof, to and including $40,000</td>
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<td>$487 for the first $40,000; plus $9 for each additional $1,000 or fraction thereof, to and including $100,000</td>
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<td>$1,027 for the first $100,000; plus $7 for each additional $1,000 or fraction thereof, to and including $500,000</td>
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<td>$500,001 to $1,000,000</td>
<td>$3,827 for the first $500,000; plus $5 for each additional $1,000 or fraction thereof, to and including $1,000,000</td>
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<td>$1,000,001 to $5,000,000</td>
<td>$6,327 for the first $1,000,000; plus $3 for each additional $1,000 or fraction thereof, to and including $5,000,000</td>
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<td>$5,000,001 and over</td>
<td>$18,327 for the first $5,000,000; plus $1 for each additional $1,000 or fraction thereof.</td>
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(Ord. #2010-004, Oct. 2010)

12-103. Available in recorder's office. Pursuant to the requirements of *Tennessee Code Annotated*, § 6-54-502 one (1) copy of the building code has been placed on file in the recorder's office and shall be kept there for the use and inspection of the public. (Ord. #2010-004, Oct. 2010)

12-104. Violations and penalty. It shall be unlawful for any person to violate or fail to comply with any provision of the building code as herein
adopted by reference and modified. The violation of any section of this chapter shall be punishable by a penalty of up to fifty dollars ($50.00). Each day a violation is allowed to continue shall constitute a separate offense. (Ord. #2010-004, Oct. 2010)
CHAPTER 2

PLUMBING CODE

SECTION
12-201. Plumbing code adopted.
12-203. Available in recorder's office.
12-204. Violations and penalty.

12-201. Plumbing code adopted. Pursuant to authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated, §§ 6-54-501 to 6-54-506 and for the purpose of regulating plumbing installations, including alterations, repairs, equipment, appliances, fixtures, fittings, and the appurtenances thereto, within or without the city, when such plumbing is or is to be connected with the city water or sewerage system, the International Plumbing Code, 2018 edition, as published by the International Code Council, is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as a part of this code and is hereinafter referred to as the plumbing code. (2000 Code, § 12-201, as amended by Ord. #2018-03, April 2018)

12-202. Modifications. Wherever the plumbing code refers to the "chief appointing authority," the "administrative authority," or the "governing authority," it shall be deemed to be a reference to the city council of the city. Wherever "city engineer," "engineering department," "plumbing official," or "inspector" is named or referred to, it shall mean the person appointed or designated by the city council to administer and enforce the provisions of the plumbing code. Section 107 of the plumbing code is hereby deleted. (2000 Code, § 12-202)

12-203. Available in recorder's office. Pursuant to the requirements of Tennessee Code Annotated, § 6-54-502, one (1) copy of the plumbing code with the above modifications has been placed on file in the recorder's office and shall be kept there for the use and inspection of the public. (2000 Code, § 12-203)

1 Municipal code references
   Cross-connections: title 18.
   Street excavations: title 16.
   Wastewater treatment: title 18.
   Water and sewer system administration: title 18.

2 Copies of this code (and any amendments) may be purchased from the International Code Council, 900 Montclair Road, Birmingham, Alabama 35213.
12-204. **Violations and penalty.** It shall be unlawful for any person to violate or fail to comply with any provision of the plumbing code as herein adopted by reference and modified. (2000 Code, § 12-204)
CHAPTER 3

ELECTRICAL CODE

SECTION
12-301. Electrical code adopted.
12-302. Available in recorder's office.
12-303. Permit required for doing electrical work.
12-304. Enforcement.
12-305. Fees.
12-306. Violations and penalty.

12-301. **Electrical code adopted.** Pursuant to authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated, §§ 6-54-501 to 6-54-506 and for the purpose of providing practical minimum standards for the safeguarding of persons and of buildings and their contents from hazards arising from the use of electricity for light, heat, power, radio, signaling, or for other purposes, the International Electrical, 2018 edition, as published by the National Fire Protection Association, is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as a part of this code and is hereinafter referred to as the electrical code. (2000 Code, § 12-301, as amended by Ord. #2018-03, April 2018)

12-302. **Available in recorder's office.** Pursuant to the requirements of Tennessee Code Annotated, § 6-54-502, one (1) copy of the electrical code has been placed on file in the recorder's office and shall be kept there for the use and inspection of the public. (2000 Code, § 12-302)

12-303. **Permit required for doing electrical work.** No electrical work shall be done within this city until a permit therefor has been issued by the city. The term "electrical work" shall not be deemed to include minor repairs that do not involve the installation of new wire, conduits, machinery, apparatus, or other electrical devices generally requiring the services of an electrician. (2000 Code, § 12-303)

12-304. **Enforcement.** The electrical inspector shall be such person as the city council shall appoint or designate. It shall be his duty to enforce compliance with this chapter and the electrical code as herein adopted by

1Municipal code references

Fire protection, fireworks and explosives: title 7.

2Copies of this code may be purchased from the National Fire Protection Association, 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, Massachusetts 02269-9101.
reference. He is authorized and directed to make such inspections of electrical equipment and wiring, etc., as are necessary to ensure compliance with the applicable regulations, and may enter any premises or building at any reasonable time for the purpose of discharging his duties. He is authorized to refuse or discontinue electrical service to any person or place not complying with this chapter and/or the electrical code. (2000 Code, § 12-305)

12-305. Fees. The electrical inspector shall collect the same fees as are authorized in *Tennessee Code Annotated*, § 68-102-143 for electrical inspections by deputy inspectors of the state fire marshal. (2000 Code, § 12-306)

12-306. Violations and penalty. It shall be unlawful for any person to do or authorize any electrical work or to use any electricity in such manner or under such circumstances as not to comply with this chapter and/or the requirements and standards prescribed by the electrical code. (2000 Code, § 12-304)
CHAPTER 4

FUEL GAS CODE

SECTION
12-402. Modifications.
12-403. Available in recorder's office.
12-404. Gas permit required.
12-405. Enforcement.
12-406. Fees.
12-407. Violations and penalty.

12-401. Fuel gas code adopted. Pursuant to authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated, §§ 6-54-501 to 6-54-506 and for the purpose of regulating the installation of consumer's gas piping and gas appliances, etc., the International Fuel Gas Code, 2 2018 edition, as published by the International Code Council, is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as a part of this code and shall hereinafter be referred to as the gas code. (2000 Code, § 12-401, as amended by Ord. #2018-03, April 2018)

12-402. Modifications. Section 1.3 of the gas code is amended by adding thereto the following:

Each qualified agency must maintain currently in force and file with the city evidence of a public liability bond or insurance policy in the sum of $25,000.00 to cover any deaths, injuries, losses or damages caused by negligent, inadequate, imperfect or defective work done by the agency while acting in the scope and course of its employment. (2000 Code, § 12-402)

12-403. Available in recorder's office. Pursuant to the requirements of Tennessee Code Annotated, § 6-54-502, one (1) copy of the fuel gas code has been placed on file in the recorder's office and shall be kept there for the use and inspection of the public. (2000 Code, § 12-403)

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1Municipal code reference
Gas system administration: title 19, chapter 1.

2Copies of this code (and any amendments) may be purchased from the International Code Council, 900 Montclair Road, Birmingham, Alabama 35213.
12-404. **Gas permit required.** No property owner shall cause or permit, nor shall any person make any service connection, install, modify, or change any gas piping or any gas appliance or fixture within the city or its gas service territory until the person proposing to do the work shall have first obtained a permit therefor from the city. (2000 Code, § 12-404)

12-405. **Enforcement.** The gas inspector shall be such person as the city council shall appoint or designate to enforce the provisions of this chapter and the gas code. He shall inspect the installation and/or modification or repair of all gas piping, connections, appliances, and fixtures. He may enter any building or premises at any reasonable time for the discharge of his duties. He shall not approve any gas piping installation, connection, repair, modification, or appliance which fails to meet the minimum requirements of this chapter and/or the gas code. Immediately upon completion of the inspection, the gas inspector shall notify the owner, his agent, or the occupant of the inspected property whether or not the inspection has been satisfactory. When the inspection reveals defective workmanship or material or any violation of this chapter or the fuel gas code, written notice of the same shall be given by the inspector and he shall refuse gas service until the defects have been corrected. (2000 Code, § 12-406)

12-406. **Fees.** Fees charged for gas permits and inspections shall be in accordance with the schedule prescribed in the plumbing code. (2000 Code, § 12-407, modified)

12-407. **Violations and penalty.** It shall be unlawful for any person to do or authorize any gas installation or repair work or to use any gas in such manner or under such circumstances as not to comply with this chapter and/or the requirements and standards prescribed by the gas code. (2000 Code, § 12-405)

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1The fee schedule, and any amendments thereto, may be found in the office of the recorder.
CHAPTER 5
ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE

SECTION
12-503. Available in recorder's office.
12-504. Violations and penalty.

12-501. **Energy conservation code adopted.** Pursuant to authority granted by *Tennessee Code Annotated*, §§ 6-54-501 to 6-54-506, and for the purpose of regulating the design of buildings for adequate thermal resistance and low air leakage and the design and selection of mechanical, electrical, water-heating and illumination systems and equipment which will enable the effective use of energy in new building construction, the *International Energy Conservation Code*,\(^2\) 2018 edition, as published by the International Code Council, is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as a part of this code, and is hereinafter referred to as the energy conservation code. (2000 Code, § 12-601, as amended by Ord. #2018-03, April 2018)

12-502. **Modifications.** Whenever the energy conservation code refers to the "responsible government agency," it shall be deemed to be a reference to the City of LaFollette. When the "building official" is named it shall, for the purposes of the energy conservation code, mean such person as the city council shall have appointed or designated to administer and enforce the provisions of the energy conservation code. (2000 Code, § 12-602)

12-503. **Available in recorder's office.** Pursuant to the requirements of the *Tennessee Code Annotated*, § 6-54-502, one (1) copy of the energy code has been placed on file in the recorder's office and shall be kept there for the use and inspection of the public. (2000 Code, § 12-603)

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1 Municipal code references
   Fire protection, fireworks, and explosives: title 7.
   Planning and zoning: title 14.
   Streets and other public ways and places: title 16.
   Utilities and services: titles 18 and 19.

2 Copies of this code (and any amendments) are available from the International Code Council, 900 Montclair Road, Birmingham, Alabama 35213.
12-504. Violations and penalty. It shall be a civil offense for any person to violate or fail to comply with any provision of the energy code as herein adopted by reference and modified. The violation of any section of this chapter shall be punishable by a penalty of up to fifty dollars ($50.00) for each offense. Each day a violation is allowed to continue shall constitute a separate offense. (2000 Code, § 12-604, modified)