

**TITLE 7****FIRE PROTECTION AND FIREWORKS<sup>1</sup>****CHAPTER**

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**CHAPTER 1****FIRE DISTRICT****SECTION**

7-101. Fire district described.

**7-101. Fire district described.** Central businesses zoned within corporate city limits, residential subdivisions, and all properties (leased, owned, private, and rental) zoned in accordance within the jurisdictional boundaries established shall be the fire district. (1990 Code, § 7-101, as replaced by Ord. #15-426, June 2015)

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<sup>1</sup>Municipal code reference

Building, utility and housing codes: title 12.

## CHAPTER 2

### FIRE CODE<sup>1</sup>

#### SECTION

- 7-201. Fire code adopted.
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**7-201. Fire code adopted.** Tennessee Code Annotated, §§ 6-54-501 through 6-54-506 grants the authority pursuant to this code with the purpose of providing a reasonable level of life safety including the protection of property in the event of fires, explosions, and dangerous conditions that may occur in new or existing buildings, structures, or premises. Provisions of safety for firefighters and emergency responders during events of emergency operations, which are recommended by the International Code Council, the International Fire Code,<sup>2</sup> 2012 edition hereby be adopted through reference, which includes this as part of the code. In accordance with the requirements of Tennessee Code Annotated, § 6-54-502, one copy of said 2012 edition of International Fire Code will be filed with the city recorder to be accessible to the public for use and inspection. The International Fire Code 2012 edition is hereby adopted and incorporated fully as if repeated verbatim herein and shall be used as a governing force within the corporate city limits. (as replaced by Ord. #15-426, June 2015)

**7-202. Available in recorder's office.** One (1) copy of the aforesaid code and revisions, as modified, has been filed with the recorder of the city for a period of fifteen (15) days prior to the passage of the ordinance, as required by Tennessee Code Annotated, § 6-54-502. (as replaced by Ord. #15-426, June 2015)

**7-203. Enforcement.** The International Fire Code herein adopted by reference shall be enforced by the chief of the fire department. He shall have

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<sup>1</sup>Municipal code reference

Building, utility and residential codes: title 12.

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

the same powers as the state fire marshal. (as replaced by Ord. #15-426, June 2015)

**7-204. Modifications.** The International Fire Code adopted in § 7-201 above is modified by deleting therefrom section 108, titled “Board of Appeals,” in its entirety; § 7-207 below shall control appeals. (as replaced by Ord. #15-426, June 2015)

**7-205. Gasoline trucks.** Gasoline trucks and/or personnel are restricted to the operations and parking of any gasoline tank truck full/emptied within the central business district or residential area. Personnel and trucks are exempt during the actual engagement of delivery to the specified location. (as replaced by Ord. #15-426, June 2015)

**7-206. Variances.** The chief of the fire department may recommend to the board of mayor and aldermen variances from the provisions of the International Fire 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 board of mayor and aldermen. (as replaced by Ord. #15-426, June 2015)

**7-207. Violation and penalties.** It shall be unlawful for any person to violate any of the provisions of this chapter or the International Fire 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 modified by the board of mayor and aldermen or by a court of competent jurisdiction, within the time fixed herein. The violation of any section of this chapter shall be punishable by a penalty under the general penalty provisions of this code. Each day a violation is allowed to continue shall constitute a separate offense. The application of a penalty shall not be held to prevent the enforced removal of prohibited conditions. (as added by Ord. #15-426, June 2015)

## CHAPTER 3

### FIRE COMMITTEE<sup>1</sup>

#### SECTION

7-301. Establishment and membership.

7-302. Organization and duties.

**7-301. Establishment and membership.** There is established the Mount Carmel Fire Committee to consist of five (5) members.

Not more than one (1) of the five (5) shall be a member of the board of mayor and aldermen. The members shall serve without salary. One (1) shall initially serve for one (1) year, two (2) shall serve for two (2) years, and two (2) shall serve for three (3) years, and their successors for a term of three (3) years. The members shall be appointed by the mayor subject to the consent of the board of mayor and aldermen. (Ord. #286, Nov. 2004, modified)

**7-302. Organization and duties.** The members of the fire committee shall organize by electing officers and adopting by-laws and regulations which are subject to approval by the board of mayor and aldermen. The fire committee shall advise the fire chief and board of mayor and aldermen concerning the affairs of the fire department. (Ord. #286, Nov 2004, modified)

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<sup>1</sup>Municipal code references

Public safety department: title 6.

Fire prevention and suppression: title 6, chapter 4.