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**7-101. Prohibited; exceptions.** The manufacture, possession, storage, transportation, sale, offer for sale, giving away, or use of any explosive, as hereinafter defined, within the City of Belle Meade is hereby prohibited except as is hereinafter expressly provided, without a permit issued by the building inspector of the City of Belle Meade. (Ord. 59-10, § 1. 1987 Code, § 7-101)

**7-102. "Explosives" defined.** The term "explosive" or "explosives" wherever used herein shall be held to mean and include dynamite and its derivatives and any chemical compound or mechanical mixture which contains any oxidizing and combustible units, or other ingredients, in such proportions, quantities, or packing that an ignition by fire, friction, concussion, percussion, or by a detonator of any part of the compound or mixture may cause a sudden generation of gases with pressure sufficient to become destructive to life or property.

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<sup>1</sup>Municipal code reference

Building, utility and housing codes: title 12.

Fire protection is furnished to the city by the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County.

The term "explosives" shall not be interpreted to mean or include any small arms, ammunition or signal rockets, or devices or compositions used to obtain visible or audible pyrotechnic effects which are subject to regulation by other ordinances of the City of Belle Meade, nor shall said term apply to gasoline or other motor or heating fuels. (Ord. 59-10, § 2. 1987 Code, § 7-102)

**7-103. Manufacture, etc., prohibited.** The manufacture, sale, offering for sale, or giving away of explosives within the City of Belle Meade is prohibited. (Ord. 59-10, § 3. 1987 Code, § 7-103)

**7-104. Transportation in public conveyances prohibited.** It is prohibited for any person to transport or carry any explosives in or upon any public conveyance which is carrying passengers for hire. (Ord. 59-10, § 4. 1987 Code, § 7-104)

**7-105. Permit required for transportation.** It is prohibited for any person to have, keep, use, store, or transport any explosives except under permit therefor issued by the City of Belle Meade. (Ord. 59-10, § 4. 1987 Code, § 7-105)

**7-106. Absolute prohibition of certain explosives.** It is prohibited for any person to have, keep, store, sell or offer to sell, give away, use, transport, or manufacture any of the following explosives in any quantity:

Liquid nitroglycerin; high explosives containing over 60 percent of nitroglycerin; high explosives having an unsatisfactory absorbent or one that permits leakage of nitroglycerin under any condition liable to exist during transportation or storage; nitro cellulose in a dry condition, in quantity greater than five pounds in one package; fulminate of mercury in bulk in a dry state or the fulminates of any other metals in any condition except as a component part of manufactured articles not hereinafter prohibited; or any explosives containing an ammonium salt and a chlorate. (Ord. 59-10, § 4. 1987 Code, § 7-106)

**7-107. Warning signs required.** Every vehicle while carrying explosives, except those specifically hereinafter exempted, shall have painted on its front, sides, and back, in easily legible white letters at least six inches high, the words "explosives-dangerous"; provided, however, that in lieu of such painted words, such vehicle may display on either end and either side of same, in erect position and clearly visible from all directions, a red flag or banner with the words "danger" printed, stamped, or sewn therein in white letters. Any such flag or banner shall be not less than six hundred square inches in area, and not less than thirty inches in lateral extent, and the letters thereon shall be not less than 6 inches high. (Ord. 59-10, § 5. 1987 Code, § 7-107)

**7-108. Prohibited acts of transporters.** It is prohibited for:

(1) Any person in charge of or riding as a helper or passenger upon a vehicle carrying or containing permitted explosives to smoke while in, upon, or near such vehicle.

(2) Any person to place or carry in the bed or body of any vehicle containing or carrying explosives any metal tool or piece of metal.

(3) Any person to place, carry, or permit to be carried any detonators, blasting caps, or matches in or upon any vehicle while same is used for the transportation of such explosives.

(4) Any person in charge of a vehicle carrying explosives to deviate from the route upon which and time within which the permit so to transport explosives has been issued. (Ord. 59-10, § 5. 1987 Code, § 7-108)

**7-109. Standards for storage.** No explosives permitted to be used or stored shall be kept or stored except as follows:

(1) No explosives in excess of twenty-five pounds in weight shall be stored at any one storage site in the City of Belle Meade.

(2) Same shall be kept in a portable magazine, which shall be kept within a locked building, room, or other covered enclosure, which enclosure shall be located not less than three hundred (300) feet from the nearest place of residence or outbuilding.

(3) No blasting caps or detonators of any kind shall be kept in the same magazine with other explosives.

(4) All magazines shall be kept locked except when being inspected or when explosives are being moved in or out; all magazines shall be kept clean; free of grit, empty packages, or other waste; and metal tools or other pieces of loose metal.

(5) Magazines shall be of fireproof construction and shall have walls or sides of sufficient thickness and strength to stop the bullet from a small calibre rifle or shotgun, and shall be conspicuously marked "Dangerous---Explosives Magazine."

(6) No explosive may be kept except by permit issued by the city building inspector. (Ord. 59-10, § 6. 1987 Code, § 7-109)

**7-110. Standards for use.** No explosives except those of permitted types shall be used or discharged within the limits of the City of Belle Meade, and no explosives of any type shall be used or discharged except under the following conditions:

(1) Explosives of a permitted type or types may be used in excavations or other operations requiring such use when permit for such use has first been obtained from the building inspector. The permit shall be issued in form approved by the building inspector which shall prescribe the premises upon which the explosives are to be used; the specific purpose for same; the amount of maximum charge to be discharged at any one time; the amount of bond given

by the applicant to secure the payment of compensation for any damage or injury to person or property which may be shown to have been caused by the discharge of such explosives; the name and address of the applicant and his servants, agents, or employees who are authorized to discharge such explosives.

(2) No explosives shall be discharged except between the hours of eight o'clock A.M. and four o'clock P.M. (Ord. 59-10, § 7. 1987 Code, § 7-110)