

TITLE 7

FIRE PROTECTION AND FIREWORKS

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7-101. Establishment, equipment, and membership. There is hereby established a volunteer fire department to be supported and equipped from appropriations of the board of mayor and aldermen. Any funds raised by the volunteer fire department as a whole, or by any individual or group of volunteer firemen in the name of the volunteer fire department, and any gifts to the volunteer fire department shall be turned over to and become the property of, the city and the city shall use such funds in the equipping of the volunteer fire department. All other apparatus, equipment, and supplies of the volunteer fire department shall be purchased by or through the city and shall be and remain the property of the city. The volunteer fire department shall be composed of a chief appointed by the board of mayor and aldermen, and such number of subordinate officers and firemen as the fire chief shall appoint.

7-102. 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.

¹Municipal code reference

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

(6) To perform such rescue work as its equipment and/or the training of its personnel makes practicable.

7-103. 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 formulate and enforce such rules and regulations as shall be necessary for the orderly and efficient operation of the volunteer fire department.

7-104. 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 those matters to the mayor once each month, and at the end of the year a detailed annual report shall be made.

7-105. Tenure and compensation of members. The fire chief shall have the authority to suspend or discharge any other member of the volunteer fire department when he deems such action to be necessary for the good of the department. The fire chief may be suspended for up to thirty (30) days by the mayor, but may be dismissed only by the board of mayor and aldermen.

All personnel of the volunteer fire department shall receive such compensation for their services as the board of mayor and aldermen may from time to time prescribe.

7-106. 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.

7-107. Chief to be assistant to state officer. Pursuant to requirements of Tennessee Code Annotated, § 68-102-108, the fire chief is designated as an assistant to the state commissioner of 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.

CHAPTER 2**FIREWORKS****SECTION**

7-201. Sale or storage of fireworks unlawful.

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7-201. Sale or storage of fireworks unlawful. It shall be unlawful to sell or to store for sale, or to offer for sale fireworks of any sort or kind within the corporate limits of the town. (Ord. of _____)

7-202. Shooting of fireworks unlawful. It shall be unlawful to shoot or attempt to shoot fireworks of any sort or kind upon any streets, sidewalks, public parking areas, or in any part or portion of the business district, on or about the premises of any public building or industrial plant within the corporate limits of the town. (Ord. of Nov. 3, 1959)

7-203. Penalty. Any person violating any provision of this chapter shall be punished under the general penalty provisions of this code. (Ord. of Nov. 2, 1959)