

## TITLE 12

BUILDING, UTILITY, ETC. CODES<sup>1</sup>

## CHAPTER

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## CHAPTER 1

BUILDING CODE<sup>2</sup>

## SECTION

- 12-101. Building code adopted.  
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<sup>1</sup>An agreement executed May 24, 1991 between the City of Charlotte and Dickson County appoints the building inspector for Dickson County to enforce all Charlotte building codes.

<sup>2</sup>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.

Charter references

Corporate powers; title I, § 1.05.

City legislation: title II, § 2.10.

12-101. Building code adopted. Pursuant to authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated §§ 6-54-501 through 6-54-506, and for the purpose of regulating the construction, alteration, repair, use, occupancy, location, maintenance, removal, and demolition of every building or structure or any appurtenance connected or attached to any building or structure, the Standard Building Code<sup>1</sup>, 1991 edition, with 1992 and 1992-93 revisions, as prepared and adopted by the Southern Building Code Congress International, Inc., is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as a part of this code, and is hereinafter referred to as the building code. (Ord. #91-10-2, May 1991, modified)

12-102. Modifications. (1) Definitions. Whenever the building code refers to the "Chief Appointing Authority" or the "Chief Administrator," it shall be deemed to be a reference to the city council. When the "Building Official" or "Director of Public Works" is named it shall, for the purposes of the building code, mean the building inspector for Dickson County. (1974 Code, § 4-102, as amended by Ord. #91-10-2, May 1991)

12-103. Available in city clerk's office. Pursuant to the requirements of the Tennessee Code Annotated § 6-54-502 one (1) copy of the building code has been placed on file in the city clerk's office and shall be kept there for the use and inspection of the public. (1974 Code, § 4-103)

12-104. Violations. 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. (1974 Code, § 4-104)

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## CHAPTER 2

PLUMBING CODE<sup>1</sup>

## SECTION

- 12-201. Plumbing code adopted.  
 12-202. Modifications.  
 12-203. Available in city clerk's office.  
 12-204. Violations.

12-201. Plumbing code adopted. Pursuant to authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated §§ 6-54-501 through 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 Standard Plumbing Code,<sup>2</sup> 1991 edition, with 1992 and 1992-93 revisions, as prepared and adopted by the Southern Building Code Congress International, Inc., is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as a part of this code and is hereinafter referred to as the plumbing code. (Ord. #91-10-2, May 1991, modified)

12-202. Modifications. (1) Definitions. 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 this city.

Wherever "City Engineer," "Engineering Department," "Plumbing Official," or "Inspector" is named or referred to, it shall mean the building inspector for Dickson County.

(2) Permit fees. The schedule of permit fees as recommended in "Appendix H" of the plumbing code is hereby adopted. (1974 Code, § 4-202, as amended by Ord. #91-10-2, May 1991)

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<sup>1</sup>Municipal code references

Cross connections: title 18.

Street excavations: title 16.

Wastewater treatment: title 18.

Water and sewer system administration: title 18.

<sup>2</sup>Copies of this code (and any amendments) may be purchased from the Southern Building Code Congress International, Inc., 900 Montclair Road, Birmingham, Alabama 35213.

12-203. Available in city clerk's office. Pursuant to the requirements of Tennessee Code Annotated § 6-54-502 one (1) copy of the plumbing code has been placed on file in the city clerk's office and shall be kept there for the use and inspection of the public. (1974 Code, § 4-203)

12-204. Violations. 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. (1974 Code, § 4-204)

## CHAPTER 3

ELECTRICAL CODE<sup>1</sup>

## SECTION

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

12-301. Electrical code adopted. Pursuant to authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated, sections 6-54-501 through 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 National Electrical Code,<sup>2</sup> 1993 edition, as prepared 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. (1974 Code, § 4-301, modified)

12-302. Available in city clerk's office. Pursuant to the requirements of Tennessee Code Annotated, section 6-54-502, one (1) copy of the electrical code has been placed on file in the city clerk's office and shall be kept there for the use and inspection of the public. (1974 Code, § 4-302)

12-303. Permit required for doing electrical work. No electrical work shall be done within the 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. (1974 Code, § 4-303)

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<sup>1</sup>Municipal code reference

Fire protection, fireworks and explosives: title 7.

<sup>2</sup>Copies of this code may be purchased from the National Fire Protection Association, 470 Atlantic Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts 02210.

12-304. Violations. 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. (1974 Code, § 4-304)

12-305. Enforcement. The electrical inspector shall be the building inspector for Dickson County. It shall be his duty to enforce compliance with this chapter and the electrical code as herein adopted by reference. He is authorized and directed to make such inspections of electrical equipment and wiring, etc., as are necessary to insure 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. (1974 Code, § 4-305, as amended by Ord. #91-10-2, May 1991)

12-306. Fees. The electrical inspector shall collect the same fees as are authorized in Tennessee Code Annotated, section 68-17-143 for electrical inspections by deputy inspectors of the state fire marshal. (1974 Code, § 4-306)

## CHAPTER 4

GAS CODE<sup>1</sup>

## SECTION

12-401. Gas code adopted.

12-402. Definitions.

12-403. Enforcement of gas code.

12-404. Violations and penalties.

12-401. Gas code adopted. The purpose of the gas code is to provide minimum standards, provisions, and requirements for safe installation of consumer's gas piping and gas appliances. All gas piping and gas appliances installed, replaced, maintained, or repaired within the corporate limits shall conform to the requirements of this chapter and to the Standard Gas Code,<sup>2</sup> 1991 edition, with 1992 and 1992-93 revisions, which is hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this chapter as if fully set forth herein. One (1) copy of the gas code shall be kept on file in the office of the city clerk for the use and inspection of the public. (Ord. #91-10-2, May 1991, modified)

12-402. Definitions. The following definitions are provided for the purpose of interpretation and administration of the gas code.

(1) "Inspector" means the person appointed as inspector, and shall include each assistant inspector, if any, from time to time acting as such under this chapter by appointment of the city council.<sup>3</sup>

(2) "Person" means any individual, partnership, firm, corporation, or any other organized group of individuals.

(3) "Gas company" means any person distributing gas within the corporate limits or authorized and proposing to so engage.

(4) "Certificate of approval" means a document or tag issued and/or attached by the inspector to the inspected material, piping, or appliance

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<sup>1</sup>Municipal code reference

Water and sewers: title 18.

<sup>2</sup>Copies of this code (and any amendments) may be purchased from the Southern Building Code Congress International, Inc., 900 Montclair Road, Birmingham, Alabama 35213.

<sup>3</sup>Municipal code reference

Building official - - appointment, authority, duties: § 12-601.

installation, filled out, together with date, address of the premises, and signed by the inspector.

(5) "Certain appliances" means conversion burners, floor furnaces, central heating plants, vented wall furnaces, water heaters, and boilers. (1974 Code, § 4-402)

12-403. Enforcement of gas code. The building official of Dickson County is hereby designated as the gas inspector, and as such shall be responsible for enforcing the provisions of the gas code. The gas inspector shall be authorized and is hereby directed to make any and all necessary inspections of gas equipment, appliances and piping to insure compliance with the gas code and may enter any premises or building at any reasonable time for the purpose of discharging his duties. He is authorized to discontinue gas service to any person or place not complying with the gas code. (Ord. #91-10-2, May 1991, modified)

12-404. Violations and penalties. Any person who shall violate or fail to comply with any of the provisions of the gas code shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined under the general penalty clause for this code of ordinances, or the license of such person may be revoked, or both fine and revocation of license may be imposed. (1974 Code, § 4-411)



## CHAPTER 5

HOUSING CODE

## SECTION

12-501. Housing code adopted.

12-502. Modifications.

12-503. Available in city clerk's office.

12-504. Violations.

12-501. Housing code adopted. Pursuant to authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated §§ 6-54-501 through 6-54-506 and for the purpose of securing the public safety, health, and general welfare through structural strength, stability, sanitation, adequate light, and ventilation in dwellings, apartment houses, rooming houses, and buildings, structures, or premises used as such, the Standard Housing Code,<sup>1</sup> 1991 edition, with 1992 revisions, as prepared and adopted by the Southern Building Code Congress International, Inc., is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as a part of this code and is hereinafter referred to as the housing code. (Ord. #91-10-2, May 1991, modified)

12-502. Modifications. (1) Definitions Wherever the housing code refers to the "Housing Official" it shall mean the building inspector for Dickson County. Wherever the "Department of Law" is referred to it shall mean the city attorney. Wherever the "Chief Appointing Authority" is referred to it shall mean the city council.

(2) Penalty clause deleted. Section 108 of the housing code is deleted. (1974 Code, § 4-502, as amended by Ord. #91-10-2, May 1991)

12-503. Available in city clerk's office. Pursuant to the requirements of Tennessee Code Annotated § 6-54-502 one (1) copy of the housing code has been placed on file in the city clerk's office and shall be kept there for the use and inspection of the public. (1974 Code, § 4-503, modified)

12-504. Violations. It shall be unlawful for any person to violate or fail to comply with any provision of the housing code as herein adopted by reference and modified. (1974 Code, § 4-504)

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## CHAPTER 6

AMUSEMENT DEVICE CODE<sup>1</sup>

## SECTION

12-601. Amusement device code adopted.

12-602. Modifications.

12-603. Available in city clerk's office.

12-604. Violations.

12-601. Amusement device code adopted. Pursuant to authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated §§ 6-54-501 through 6-54-516, and for the purpose of regulating the installation, construction, alteration, repair, removal, operation and use of amusement rides and devices. The Standard Amusement Device Code<sup>2</sup>, 1985 edition, as prepared and adopted by the Southern Building Code Congress International, Inc., is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as a part of this code, and is hereinafter referred to as the amusement device code. (Ord. #91-10-2, May 1991, modified)

12-602. Modifications. Definitions. Whenever the amusement device code refers to the "Chief Administrator," it shall be deemed to be a reference to the city council. When the "Building Official" is named it shall, for the purposes of the amusement device code, mean the building inspector for Dickson County. (Ord. #91-10-2, May 1991, modified)

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

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<sup>1</sup>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.

<sup>2</sup>Copies of this code (and any amendments) may be purchased from the Southern Building Code Congress International, Inc., 900 Montclair Road, Birmingham, Alabama 35213.

12-604. Violations. It shall be unlawful for any person to violate or fail to comply with any provision of the amusement device code as herein adopted by reference and modified.

## CHAPTER 7

STANDARD EXCAVATION AND GRADING CODE<sup>1</sup>

## SECTION

12-701. Excavation and grading code adopted.

12-702. Modifications.

12-703. Available in city clerk's office.

12-704. Violations.

12-701. Excavation and grading code adopted. Pursuant to authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated §§ 6-54-501 through 6-54-516, and for the purpose of setting forth rules and regulations to control excavation, grading and earthwork construction, including fills and embankments, the Standard Excavation and Grading Code<sup>2</sup>, 1975 edition, as prepared and adopted by the Southern Building Code Congress International, Inc., is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as a part of this code, and is hereinafter referred to as the excavation and grading code. (Ord. #91-10-2, May 1991, modified)

12-702. Modifications. Definitions. Whenever the excavation and grading code refers "Building Official" is named it shall, for the purposes of the excavation and grading code, mean the building inspector for Dickson County. (Ord. #91-10-2, May 1991)

12-703. Available in city clerk's office. Pursuant to the requirements of the Tennessee Code Annotated § 6-54-502 one (1) copy of the amusement device code has been placed on file in the city clerk's office and shall be kept there for the use and inspection of the public.

12-704. Violations. It shall be unlawful for any person to violate or fail to comply with any provision of the amusement device code as herein adopted

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<sup>1</sup>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.

<sup>2</sup>Copies of this code (and any amendments) may be purchased from the Southern Building Code Congress International, Inc., 900 Montclair Road, Birmingham, Alabama 35213.

by reference and modified.

## CHAPTER 8

EXISTING BUILDINGS CODE<sup>1</sup>

## SECTION

12-801. Existing buildings code adopted.

12-802. Modifications.

12-803. Available in city clerk's office.

12-804. Violations.

12-801. Existing buildings code adopted. Pursuant to authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated §§ 6-54-501 through 6-54-516, and for the purpose of securing the public safety, health and general welfare through structural strength, stability, sanitation, adequate light and indoor air quality, and safety to life and property from fire and other hazards incident to the alteration, repair, removal, demolition, use and occupancy of existing buildings or structures, the Standard Existing Buildings Code<sup>2</sup> 1988 edition, as prepared and adopted by the Southern Building Code Congress International, Inc., is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as a part of this code, and is hereinafter referred to as the existing buildings code. (Ord. #91-10-2, May 1991, modified)

12-802. Modifications. Definitions. Whenever the existing building code refers to the "Building Official" it shall, for the purposes of the building code, mean the building inspector for Dickson County. (Ord. #91-10-2, May 1991)

12-803. Available in city clerk's office. Pursuant to the requirements of the Tennessee Code Annotated § 6-54-502, one (1) copy of the existing building code has been placed on file in the city clerk's office and shall be kept there for the use and inspection of the public.

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<sup>1</sup>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.

<sup>2</sup>Copies of this code (and any amendments) may be purchased from the Southern Building Code Congress International, Inc., 900 Montclair Road, Birmingham, Alabama 35213.

12-804. Violations. It shall be unlawful for any person to violate or fail to comply with any provision of the existing buildings code as herein adopted by reference and modified.

## CHAPTER 9

SWIMMING POOL CODE<sup>1</sup>

## SECTION

12-901. Swimming pool code adopted.

12-902. Modifications.

12-903. Available in city clerk's office.

12-904. Violations.

12-901. Swimming pool code adopted. Pursuant to authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated §§ 6-54-501 through 6-54-516, and for the purpose of setting standards for the design, construction, or installation, alteration, repair or alterations of swimming pools, public or private and equipment related thereto. The Standard Swimming Pool Code<sup>2</sup>, 1991 edition, with 1993 revisions, as prepared and adopted by the Southern Building Code Congress International, Inc., is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as a part of this code, and is hereinafter referred to as the swimming pool code. (Ord. #91-10-2, May 1991, modified)

12-902. Modifications. Definitions. Whenever the swimming pool code refers to the "Administrative Authority," it shall be deemed to be a reference to the Building Official or his authorized representative. When the "Building Official" is named it shall, for the purposes of the swimming pool code, mean the building inspector for Dickson County. (Ord. #91-10-2, May 1991)

12-903. Available in city clerk's office. Pursuant to the requirements of the Tennessee Code Annotated § 6-54-502 one (1) copy of the amusement device code has been placed on file in the city clerk's office and shall be kept there for the use and inspection of the public.

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<sup>1</sup>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.

<sup>2</sup>Copies of this code (and any amendments) may be purchased from the Southern Building Code Congress International, Inc., 900 Montclair Road, Birmingham, Alabama 35213.



12-904. Violations. It shall be unlawful for any person to violate or fail to comply with any provision of the amusement device code as herein adopted by reference and modified.

## CHAPTER 10

UNSAFE BUILDING ABATEMENT CODE

## SECTION

12-1001. Unsafe building abatement code adopted.

12-1002. Modifications.

12-1003. Available in city clerk's office.

12-1004. Violations.

12-1001. Unsafe building abatement code adopted. Pursuant to authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated §§ 6-54-501 through 6-54-506 and for the purpose of regulating buildings and structures to insure structural strength, stability, sanitation, adequate light and ventilation, and safety to life and property from fire and other hazards incident to the construction, alteration, repair, removal, demolition, use and occupancy of buildings, structures or premises, within or without the city, the Standard Unsafe Building Abatement Code<sup>1</sup>, 1985 edition as prepared and adopted by the Southern Building Code Congress International, Inc., is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as a part of this code and is hereinafter referred to as the unsafe building abatement code. (Ord. #91-10-2, May 1991, modified)

12-1002. Modifications. Definitions. Whenever the unsafe building abatement code refers to the "Chief Appointing Authority," or the "Chief Administrator" it shall be deemed to be a reference to the city council. When the "Building Official" is named it shall, for the purposes of the unsafe building abatement code, mean the building inspector for Dickson County. (Ord. #91-10-2, May 1991)

12-1003. Available in city clerk's office. Pursuant to the requirements of Tennessee Code Annotated § 6-54-502 one (1) copy of the unsafe building abatement code has been placed on file in the city clerks's office and shall be kept there for the use and inspection of the public.

12-1004. Violations. It shall be unlawful for any person to violate or fail to comply with any provision of the unsafe building abatement code as herein adopted by reference and modified.

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## CHAPTER 11

MECHANICAL CODE<sup>1</sup>

## SECTION

- 12-1101. Mechanical code adopted.  
 12-1102. Modifications.  
 12-1103. Available in city clerk's office.  
 12-1104. Violations.

12-1101. Mechanical code adopted. Pursuant to authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated §§ 6-54-501 through 6-54-516 and for the purpose of regulating the installation and maintenance of all electrical, gas, mechanical and plumbing systems, which may be referred to as service systems, the Standard Mechanical Code<sup>2</sup>, 1991 edition, with 1992 and 1992-93 revisions, as prepared and adopted by the Southern Building Code Congress International, Inc., is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as a part of this code and is hereinafter referred to as the mechanical code. (Ord. #91-10-2, May 1991, modified)

12-1102. Modifications. (1) Definitions. Wherever the mechanical code refers to the "Building Department," "Mechanical Official," or "Building Official," or "Inspector" it shall mean the building inspector for Dickson County. (Ord. #91-10-2, May 1991)

12-1103. Available in city clerk's office. Pursuant to the requirements of Tennessee Code Annotated § 6-54-502 one (1) copy of the mechanical code has been placed on file in the city clerk's office and shall be kept there for the use and inspection of the public.

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<sup>1</sup>Municipal code references

Cross connections: title 18.

Street excavations: title 16.

Wastewater treatment: title 18.

Water and sewer system administration: title 18.

<sup>2</sup>Copies of this code (and any amendments) may be purchased from the Southern Building Code Congress International, Inc., 900 Montclair Road, Birmingham, Alabama 35213.

12-1104. Violations. It shall be unlawful for any person to violate or fail to comply with any provision of the mechanical code as herein adopted by reference and modified.