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**PART 1**  
**FIRE PREVENTION CODE**

§101 Fire Prevention Code Adopted. In order to adopt regulations, inter alia, relative to the cause and management of fire and the prevention thereof, the Commission hereby adopts the BOCA National Fire Prevention Code of the Building Officials and Code Administrators International, Inc., Ninth Edition, 1993 (hereinafter referred to as the “Fire Prevention Code”), as fully and completely as though the said Fire Prevention Code were set forth herein at length, except and unless otherwise provided to the contrary in the statutes of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the rules and regulations of the County of Allegheny, and §102 of this Chapter, in which event the contrary provisions of the said statutes, rules and regulations or §102 of this chapter shall control. Copies of the Fire Prevention Code may be examined during regular business hours at the office of the Chief of the Fire Department of the Municipality at 555 Washington Road, Mt. Lebanon, Pennsylvania.

§102 Amendments Made in BOCA Basic Fire Prevention Code.

The Fire Prevention Code shall be amended as follows:

102.1 A new Section F-107.9 shall be added as follows:

**F-107.9 Permit fee:** Fees for permits required by this code shall be established by resolution adopted by the Mt. Lebanon Commission.

102.2 A new Section F-107.10 shall be added as follows:

**F-107.10 Time limitation of permit:** Any permit issued by the code official pursuant to the requirements of this code shall remain in effect for a period of one year from the date of issuance.

**Exceptions:**

1. Permits issued for installation of fire protection systems shall expire after satisfactory completion of the installation.
2. Permits issued for operations that do not take place on a recurring basis at least monthly. Those activities include bonfires, fireworks displays, fumigation, tents and welding and cuffing. Permits of this type shall expire upon the completion of the permit required operation on a date determined by the code official, but in no case shall the permit be valid for more than one year.

102.3 A new Section F-107.11 shall be added as follows:

**F-107.11 Permit renewal:** In order to continue any operation for which a permit is required, the permit must be renewed on or before its expiration date.

102.4 A new Section F-107.11.1 shall be added as follows:

**F-107.11.1 Application for permit renewals:** Application for a permit renewal shall be made to the code official on a form provided by Mt. Lebanon.

102.5 A new Section F-107.11.2 shall be added as follows:

**F.107.11.2 Renewal fees:** Renewal fees shall be the same as the first time permit fees. Renewal fees shall be due and payable at the time of filing for a permit renewal.

102.6 A new Section F-107.11.3 shall be added as follows:

**F-107.11.3 Action on renewal application:** The code official shall examine or cause to be examined all applications for permit renewals within a reasonable time after filing. The code official shall inspect or cause to be inspected the operation for which the renewal application has been filed. If the renewal application or the operation does not conform to the requirements of this code and all pertinent laws, the code official shall reject such application in writing, stating the reasons therefore. If the code official is satisfied that the proposed work or operation conforms to the requirements of this code and all laws and ordinances applicable thereto, the code official shall issue a renewal therefore as soon as practicable.

102.7 A new Section F-107.12 shall be added as follows:

**F-107.12 Combination permits:** At the code official's discretion, a single permit may be issued for an occupancy having more than one condition or operation requiring a permit. A combination permit may be revoked by the code official if any of the operations for which the combination permit has been issued, fails to conform to the requirements of this code and all laws and ordinances applicable thereto.

102.8 A new Section F-107.12.1 shall be added as follows:

**F-107.12.1 Combination permit fees:** Where a combination permit is issued covering more than one operation, the permit fee shall be that of the operation having the highest fee.

102.9 Section F-110.2 shall be amended as follows:

**P-110.2 Maintenance:** The owner of a structure shall be responsible that all equipment, systems, devices and safeguards required by this code or a previous

statute or code for the structure or premises when erected or altered shall be maintained in good working order. The requirements of this code are not intended to provide the basis for removal or abrogation of fire protection and safety systems and devices in existing structures.

102.10 Section F-112.3 shall be amended as follows:

**F-112.3 Penalty for violations:** Any person, unincorporated association or corporation who or which shall violate any of the provisions of this code or fail to comply with any order issued pursuant to any section thereof shall be guilty of a summary offense and upon conviction thereof be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000.00. In default of payment of the fine, such person, the members of such unincorporated association or the owners of such corporation shall be liable to imprisonment for not more than 30 days in the Allegheny County jail. Each day that a violation continues after due notice has been served shall be deemed a separate offense.

102.11 Sections F- 113.1 through F- 113.7 inclusive shall be deleted in their entirety and shall be replaced by a new Section F-113.1 as follows:

**F-113.1 Appeal from code officials actions:** Any owner or person who is aggrieved with the ruling or decision of the code official in any matter relative to the interpretation or enforcement of any of the provisions of this fire prevention code, may appeal such decision or interpretation to the Mt. Lebanon Board of Appeals in accordance with the Mt. Lebanon Code Chapter I, §128, and the bylaws of such board. The decisions of the Board of Appeals shall be subject to the appropriate appeal procedures as provided by law.

102.12 Section F-3 11.1 shall be amended as follows:

**F-311.1 Designation:** The code shall require and designate public or private fire lanes as deemed necessary for the efficient and effective operation of fire apparatus. Fire lanes shall have a minimum width of 18 feet, shall be able to withstand live loads of fire apparatus and shall have a vertical clearance of at least 13 feet 6 inches (4118mm).

102.13 Section F-3 11.2 shall be amended as follows:

**F-311.2 Obstructions:** Designated fire lanes shall be maintained free of obstructions and vehicles and shall be marked as stipulated in NFPA 1, Section 3-5.4 as listed in Chapter 44.

102.14 Section F-312.2 shall be amended as follows:

**F-312.2 Prohibited areas:** Smoking shall be prohibited where conditions are such as to make smoking a hazard, including: areas of piers, wharves,

warehouses, stores, industrial plants, institutions, schools, assembly occupancies, elevators, spaces where combustible materials are stored or handled and other locations as determined by the code official.

102.15 A new Section 316.0 shall be added as follows:

**F-316.0 INSIDE STORAGE**

102.16 A new Section 316.1 shall be added as follows:

**F-316.1 General:** The storage of flammable or combustible material shall be confined to approved areas.

102.17 A new Section F-316.2 shall be added as follows:

**F-316.2 Arrangement:** Storage in buildings shall be orderly and arranged so as to provide clear aiseways or access to all portions of the storage area. Storage shall be no higher than 18 inches (485mm) below the lowest ceiling member or sprinkler heads which ever is lower.

102.18 A new Section F-3 16.3 shall be added as follows:

**F-316.2 Service equipment:** A minimum clear area of 3 feet (915mm) shall be maintained around all building service equipment, including electric panels, gas shutoffs, water shutoffs, transformers, fire protection system equipment and telecommunications equipment. Aisleways or clear access must be maintained to all service equipment.

102.19 A new Section F-406.0 shall be added as follows:

**F-406.0 TORCHDOWN ROOFING**

102.20 A new Section F-406.1 shall be added as follows:

**F-406.1 General:** Any person utilizing a torch or other flame producing device for the application and/or removal of roofing or other materials to a structure shall provide at least one portable fire extinguisher with a minimum 4A rating, two fire extinguishers with a minimum 2A rating each or a water hose connected to the water supply on the premises where the work is being performed. All required extinguishers must be located on the roof in close proximity to the work being performed while roofing operations are ongoing and during the 1 hour post work waiting period. In addition, an extinguisher with a minimum 40 B rating shall be provided. In all cases the person doing the burning shall remain on the premises 1 hour after the torch or flame producing operations have ended for the day.

102.21 A new Section F-406.2 shall be added as follows:

**F-406.2 Permit:** A permit shall be secured from the code official prior to the utilization of a torch or flame-producing device for the application or removal of roofing or other materials.

102.22 Section F-501.2 shall be amended as follows:

**F-501.2 Installations:** Before any fire alarm, detection or fire suppression system is installed, enlarged, extended or otherwise modified, a permit shall be obtained from the code official. Construction documents shall be reviewed by the code official prior to the issuance of the permit.

102.23 Section F-501.4 shall be deleted in its entirety and a new Section F-501.4 shall be added as follows:

**F-501.4 Periodic test frequency:** All fire protection systems shall be inspected and/or operated in accordance with NFPA 25 as listed in Chapter 44, at intervals not exceeding those listed in Table F-501.4.

**Table F-501.4**

<b><u>System</u></b>	<b><u>Frequency</u></b>
Fire pumps	Monthly
Automatic detection systems	Monthly
Fire protective signaling systems	Monthly
Sprinkler system flow test	Annually
Standpipe system flow test	Five years
Emergency generators	Monthly
Emergency lighting	Monthly
Exit lighting	Monthly
Smoke control systems	6 months
Range hood suppression systems	6 months
Smoke vents	Annually
Automatic fire doors	Annually
Carbon dioxide systems	Annually
Halon systems	Annually
Single or multiple station smoke detectors	Monthly
Fire extinguishers	Annually
Other fire protection systems	Annually

Any person or persons performing inspections or tests on fire protection systems shall have received instruction in the proper operation and test procedures for the fire protection systems undergoing inspection. Upon request by the code official, evidence of said instruction shall be provided to the code official.

102.24 Section F-503.5 shall be amended as follows:

**F-503.5** All occupancies in Use Groups A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, E, I-1, I-2, I-3, R-1 and R-2 shall be equipped with a fire protective signaling system in accordance with the building code listed in Chapter 44.

**Exception:** Existing approved systems.

102.25 A new Section F-503.7 shall be added as follows:

**F-503.7 Automatic detection:** Existing buildings of Use Groups A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4, I-1, I-2, I-3, R-1 or R-2 shall install an automatic fire detection system in accordance with the building code listed in Chapter 44.

102.26 Section F-518.2 shall be amended as follows:

**F-518.2 Where required:** A portable fire extinguisher shall be installed in the following locations in accordance with NFPA 10 listed in Chapter 44.

1. In all occupancies in Use Groups A-1, A-2, A-3, B, E, I-1, I-2, M, R-1, R-2 and H.
2. In all areas containing commercial kitchen exhaust hood systems.
3. In all areas where fuel is dispensed.
4. In all areas where a flammable or combustible liquid is used in the operation of spraying, coating or dipping.
5. In all occupancies in Use Group I-3 at staff locations. Access to portable fire extinguishers shall be permitted to be locked.
6. On each floor of structures under construction, except occupancies in Use Group R-3.
7. In any laboratory, shop or other room of similar purpose.
8. Where required by the sections indicated in Table F-S 18.2 for various operations, processes, structures and areas.

**Table F-S 18.2**

**102.O.1 Additional Required Portable Fire Extinguishers**

<b>Section</b>	<b>Subject</b>
F-306.5.1	Motorized parade floats
F-315.5	Construction, alterations, demolition of structures
F-403.7	Open burning
F-404.1	Open-flame paint removal
<b>Section</b>	<b>Subject</b>
F-405.3	Asphalt (tar) kettle
F-406. 1	Torchdown roofing

<b>Section</b>	<b>Subject</b>
F-805.2	Aircraft towing vehicle
F-805 .2.1	Aircraft welding apparatus
F-805.3	Aircraft refueler
F-805.4.1	Aircraft service areas (low hose flow)
F-805.4.2	Aircraft service areas (medium hose flow)
F-805.4.3	Aircraft service areas (high hose flow)
F-805.4.4	Helistops
F-1104.1	Dry cleaning plants
F-1104.2	Dry cleaning rooms
F-1304.8	Spray finishing
F-1305.8	Dip tanks
F-1602.7	Lumber yards
F-1603.3	Woodworking machines
F-1804.1	Oil and gas wells
F-1902.3	Organic coating area
F-2002.6	Tents and air-supported structures
F-2204.3	Welding or cutting operations and portable welding carts
F-2905.3	Vehicles for cryogenic liquids
F-3005.12.1	Vehicles for explosives (small trucks)
F-3005.12.2	Vehicles for explosives (large trucks)
F-3206.9	Service stations
F-3209.1	Interior flammable or combustible liquid storage rooms
F-3209.2	Flammable or combustible liquid storage areas
F-3210.1.2	Vehicles for flammable or combustible liquid or asphalt

102.27 Chapter 9 shall be amended as follows:

### **BOWLING AND AMUSEMENT DEVICE ESTABLISHMENTS**

102.28 A new Section F-903.0 shall be added as follows:

#### **F-903.0 AMUSEMENT DEVICES**

102.29 A new Section F-903.1 shall be added as follows:

**F-903.1 Permit required:** A permit shall be obtained from the code official by any occupancy maintaining for public use one or more amusement devices. Any such devices shall not be installed, operated or offered for use without said permit.



102.30 A new Section F-903.2 shall be added as follows:

**F-903.2 Electrical:** The electrical connection for each amusement device shall comply with all requirements of the device manufacturer and the National Electrical Code.

102.31 A new Section F-903.3 shall be added as follows:

**F-903.3 Clearance:** The clearance on all non-player sides of an amusement device shall comply with the device manufacturer's installation requirements.

102.32 A new Section F-903.4 shall be added as follows:

**F-903.4 Player Clearance:** A clear floor area shall be maintained at the amusement device access point or player side. This space shall be measured the full dimension of the amusement device on the access point side or player side and extend out from the device no less than 36 inches as illustrated in Appendix B.

102.33 A new Section F-903.5 shall be added as follows:

**F-903.5 Aisles:** In each room or space where amusement devices are located, the arrangement of devices shall be such as to provide clear access by aisles to each egress door. Aisles leading directly to an egress door shall not have less than 44 inches clear width. Aisles shall not be obstructed by any permanent object or moveable objects such as chairs tables or other objects. The required aisle and required player clearance shall not overlap. See Appendix B.

102.34 A new Section F-2321.0 shall be added as follows:

#### **SECTION F-2321.0 REMEDIATION**

102.35 A new Section F-2321.1 shall be added as follows:

**F-2321.1 General:** The Municipality through its various emergency services hereby is authorized to clean up or abate, or cause to be cleaned up or abated the effects of any hazardous materials or substances deposited upon or into properties or facilities within the municipal boundaries of the Municipality or having a direct or identifiable effect on persons or property within said municipal boundaries, including but not limited to traffic control, evacuation, relocation, substance monitoring, establishment of medical care facilities and all other costs incurred in the mitigation of the emergency situation; and any person, unincorporated association or corporation who substantially contributed to such a deposit, either directly, indirectly, and either intentionally, negligently or accidentally, shall be liable for all costs incurred by the Municipality as a

result of such clean up or abatement activity. The remedy provided by this section shall be in addition to any other remedies provided by other laws or ordinances of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the Municipality.

**Exception:** No liability shall be imposed under this section for such materials in “household quantities” as defined by the Environmental Protection Agency or the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources, unless the incident is of an extraordinary nature requiring mass evacuation or other large-scale emergency services response effort.

102.36 A new Section F-2321.2 shall be added as follows:

**F-2321.2 Definition:** For the purpose of this section, “hazardous materials or substances” shall be defined as any substances or materials in a quantity or form which, in the determination of the Emergency Management Coordinator or his authorized representative, poses an unreasonable or imminent risk to the life, health or safety of persons or property or to the ecological balance of the environment, and shall include, but not be limited to, such substances as explosives, radioactive materials, petroleum products, gases, poisons, etiologic agents, flammables, corrosives or materials listed in the Hazardous Substances list of the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry.

102.37 A new Section F-2321.3 shall be added as follows:

**F-2321.3 Cost recovery:** For the purposes of this section, costs incurred by the Municipality of Mt. Lebanon for which it shall be reimbursed include, but are not limited to, the following: Actual labor cost of fire, police, emergency medical services and other municipal personnel, including worker’s compensation benefits, fringe benefits, administrative overhead, cost of equipment operation, cost of special fire extinguishing agents used and cost of any contracted labor and materials.

Upon written request, a written accounting of itemized charges will be made available to the party being held liable for the cost recovery.

Any person disputing the charges assessed by the Municipality pursuant to Section F-2321.1, F-2321.2 and F-2321.3 may request that the dispute be submitted to arbitration with the American Arbitration Association (“AAA”), Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania office, pursuant to AAA rules applicable to such disputes. Costs for said arbitration shall be equally borne by the parties thereto. The decision of the arbitrator(s) shall be final and binding upon the parties.

102.38 Section F-3001.3 shall be deleted in its entirety and replaced with a new Section F-3001.3 as follows:

**Section F-3001.3 Bond required for blasting:** Before a permit to do blasting is issued as required under Section F-2600.2, the applicant for such permit shall file a bond with or furnish a certificate of insurance to Mt. Lebanon establishing minimum liability limits of five million dollars (\$5,000,000) property damage coverage and five million dollars (\$5,000,000) personal injury coverage. These limits must be per occurrence. The Code Official may require additional coverage as is deemed necessary to secure sufficient protection for the community and its residents, based on estimates of the risk and amount of potential damage.

102.39 Section F-3 103.4 shall be deleted in its entirety and replaced with a new Section F-3103.4 as follows:

**F-3103.4 Bond for Display:** Before a permit is issued to display, sell or discharge fireworks, as required under Section F-2700.2, the applicant for such permit shall file a bond with or furnish a certificate of insurance to Mt. Lebanon establishing minimum liability limits of five million dollars (\$5,000,000) property damage coverage and five million dollars (\$5,000,000) personal injury coverage.

**PART 2  
FIRE PROTECTION**

§201 Volunteer Fire Department Authorized. The Municipality hereby authorizes and directs the maintenance of a Volunteer Fire Department to supplement the efforts of the Mt. Lebanon Fire Department (“Fire Department”).

§202 Membership and Management. The Volunteer Fire Department shall be comprised of three membership groups: active, support services and retired. For the purpose of determining the membership of the said Volunteer Fire Department and for the management and government of the same and the individual members thereof, the following rules and regulations are hereby established:

202.1 Active Members. The Active Members group shall be limited to not more than fifty (50) residents of the Municipality over the age of eighteen (18) years. A change of residence from the Municipality of Mt. Lebanon shall constitute a forfeiture of Active Membership in the Volunteer Fire Department, except where (1) an Active Member of the Volunteer Fire Department is absent by reason of active service with the Armed Services of the United States of America to fulfill the Member’s military obligation; or (2) a maximum of six (6) Regular Members who no longer reside in the Municipality of Mt. Lebanon may, with the approval of the Fire Chief and the Board of Directors of the Volunteer Fire Department, maintain Regular Membership, provided that each such Member:

202.1.1 before residing outside of the Municipality of Mt. Lebanon has notified the Chief and the Board President, in writing, of the member’s request to maintain Regular Membership and has received approval from the Board and the Chief;

202.1.2 has completed a minimum of two (2) years of Regular Membership;

202.1.3 has obtained Pro Board/IFSAAC Firefighter II certification;

202.1.4 resides within twelve (12) air miles of the Mt. Lebanon Public Safety Building; and

202.1.5 continues to meet all call and drill attendance requirements and all other requirements of Regular Membership.

202.2 Support Services Members. The Support Services Members group shall be limited to ten (10) in number and restricted to Active Members who qualify for the Retired Members group but who have decided not to apply for Retired Member status but to continue to serve the Municipality by supplementing the

Active Members group by performing non-emergency related activities. Acceptance into this level of membership shall be at the sole discretion and approval of the Fire Chief and the Board of Directors of the Volunteer Fire Department. A change of residence from the Municipality of Mt. Lebanon shall constitute a forfeiture of Support Services Membership in the Volunteer Fire Department, except where a Support Services Member of the Volunteer Fire Department is absent by reason of active service with the Armed Services of the United States of America to fulfill the Member's military obligation. The Volunteer Fire Department shall hold the "support" slot of such Member while the Member is serving active service with the Armed Services of the United States of America, PROVIDED that such Member contacts the Volunteer Fire Department within thirty (30) days immediately following the Member's Honorable Separation from the Armed Services of the United States of America and notifies the Volunteer Fire Department of his intent to resume, and in fact does resume, permanent residence within the Municipality of Mt. Lebanon within six (6) months immediately following the Member's Honorable Separation from the Armed Services of the United States of America.

- 202.3 Retired Members. The Retired Members group shall be unlimited in number, but shall be restricted to applicants who are either Active Members or Support Services Members in good standing and who have maintained such membership continuously for not less than ten (10) years immediately preceding the date of application for Retired Member status and who desire Retired Member status by reason of age, ill health or disability; PROVIDED, however, that the Board of Directors of the Volunteer Fire Department may waive the ten (10) year service requirement where the applicant requests Retired Member status by reason of disability caused or directly resulting from injury sustained while in the performance of duty with the Volunteer Fire Department.
- 202.4 No person shall be admitted to membership in the Volunteer Fire Department until his application has been approved by the Fire Chief and the membership of the Volunteer Fire Department.
- 202.5 No person shall be entitled to compensation for services rendered at fires unless he is either an Active Member or a Support Services Member of the Volunteer Fire Department in good standing in conformance with these regulations.
- 202.6 The use by members of the Volunteer Fire Department, either individually or as an organization, of the Fire Department quarters in the Public Safety Building shall be subject to such restrictions as the Commission may from time to time impose.
- 202.7 The management and government of the individual members of the Volunteer Fire Department in such matters as are not regulated by this Part 2 or in rules and regulations hereafter adopted from time to time by the Commission shall be vested in the Volunteer Fire Department.

- §203 Election of Officers. The members of the Volunteer Fire Department be and they are hereby authorized to elect from their number such other officers as they may require for the proper conduct of the Volunteer Fire Department.
- §204 Ownership of Fire Apparatus. All appropriations made by the Municipality to or for the use of the Volunteer Fire Department, whether of money or other property, shall continue to be the property of the Municipality, and any expenditures voluntarily made by the Volunteer Fire Department or citizens of the Municipality in the purchase, repair, ornamentation or maintenance of any fire apparatus belonging to the Municipality shall be deemed and treated as the property of the Municipality and none of the fire apparatus shall be removed permanently from the Municipality without the consent of the Commission.
- §205 Supervision of Volunteer Fire Department. The fire apparatus and the conduct of the Volunteer Fire Department operation at fires and coming to and from any fire shall be under the supervision and control of the Fire Chief or, in his absence, his designated representative, who shall report to and be responsible to the Commission for the proper care and maintenance of said apparatus and for its proper operation. All other activities of the Volunteer Fire Department shall be under the control of the officers thereof, elected from the Volunteer Fire Department.

**PART 3**  
**FIRE CONTROL MEASURES**

§301 Definitions. For the purpose of this Part 3, certain words and terms are herein defined:

Authorized Emergency Vehicle: any fire apparatus or equipment owned by the Municipality and/or any vehicle owned by any fire Official, if such vehicle is equipped with red safety lamps and an audible warning signal.

Fire Chief: the Chief of the Fire Department of the Municipality.

Fire Official: the Fire Chief or any other individual member of the Fire Department having supervisory authority during a fire or other emergency call.

Street: any road or highway accessible to the public for vehicular traffic, including, but not limited to, private streets or access lanes, as well as all public streets and highways within the boundaries of the Municipality.

§302 Authority at Fires and Other Emergencies. The Fire Official or his duly authorized representatives, as may be in charge at the scene of the fire or other emergency involving the protection of life and/or property, is empowered to direct such operations as may be necessary to extinguish or control any suspected or reported fires, gas leaks, or other hazardous conditions or situations or to take any other action necessary in the reasonable performance of their duty. The Fire Official may prohibit any person, vehicle or object from approaching the scene and may remove or cause to be removed from the scene any person, vehicle or object which may impede or interfere with the operations of the Fire Department. The Fire Official may remove or cause to be removed any person, vehicle or object from hazardous areas. All persons ordered to leave a hazardous area shall do so immediately and shall not reenter the area until authorized to do so by the Fire Official.

§303 Interference with Fire Department Operations. It is unlawful to interfere with, attempt to interfere with, conspire to interfere with, obstruct or restrict the mobility of, or block the path of travel of any Authorized Emergency Vehicle in any way, or to interfere with, attempt to interfere with, conspire to interfere with, obstruct or hamper any Fire Department operations.

§304 Compliance with Orders. A person shall not willfully fail or refuse to comply with any lawful order or direction of the Fire Official, nor shall any person willfully interfere with the compliance attempts of another individual.

§305 Vehicles Crossing Fire Hoses. Vehicles shall not be driven or propelled over any unprotected fire hose of the Fire Department when laid down on any street, alley-way, private drive or any other vehicular roadway without the consent of the Fire Official in command of said operation.

- §306 Operation of Vehicles on Approach of Authorized Emergency Vehicles. Upon the approach of any Authorized Emergency Vehicle, giving audible and visual signals, the operator of every other vehicle shall immediately drive the same to position as near as possible and parallel to the right-hand edge or curb of the street or roadway, clear of any intersection, and shall stop and remain in such position until the Authorized Emergency Vehicle or vehicles shall have passed unless otherwise directed by the Fire Official or a police officer.
- §307 Vehicles Following Fire Apparatus. It is unlawful for the operator of any vehicle, other than one of official business, to follow closer than three hundred (300) feet from any fire apparatus traveling in response to a fire alarm, or to drive any vehicle within the block or immediate area where fire apparatus has stopped in answer to a fire alarm.
- §308 Unlawful Boarding or Tampering with Fire Department Emergency Equipment. A person shall not without proper authorization from the Fire Official in charge of said Fire Department emergency equipment cling to, attach himself to, climb upon or into, board, or swing upon any Authorized Emergency Vehicle, whether the same is in motion or at rest, or sound the siren, horn, bell or other sound-producing device thereon, or manipulate or tamper with, or attempt to manipulate or tamper with any levers, valves, switches, starting devices, brakes, pumps, or any equipment or protective clothing on, or a part of, any Authorized Emergency Vehicle.
- §309 Damage, Injury — Fire Department — Equipment, Personnel. It is unlawful for any person to damage or deface, or attempt, or conspire to damage or deface any Emergency Vehicle at any time, or to injure, or attempt to injure or conspire to injure Fire Department personnel while performing departmental duties.
- §310 Emergency Vehicle Operation. The driver of any Authorized Emergency Vehicle shall not sound the siren thereon or have the frontend lights on or disobey any existing traffic regulation, except when said vehicle is responding to an emergency call or when responding to, but not upon returning from, a fire. Tactical strategies such as, but not restricted to, “move-ups” do not constitute an emergency call. The driver of an Authorized Emergency vehicle may:
- 310.1 Park or stand irrespective of the provisions of existing traffic regulations;
  - 310.2 Proceed past a red or stop signal or other sign, but only after slowing down as may be necessary for safe operation;
  - 310.3 Exceed the prima facie speed limit so long as he does not endanger life or property; and
  - 310.4 Disregard regulations governing direction of movement or turning in specified directions.



The exemptions herein granted to an Authorized Emergency Vehicle shall apply only when the driver of any vehicle while in motion sounds audible signal by bell, siren or exhaust whistle as may be reasonably necessary, and when the vehicle is equipped with at least one lighted lamp displaying a red light visible under normal atmospheric conditions from a distance of five hundred (500) feet to the front of such vehicle.

- §311 Blocking Fire Hydrants and Fire Department Connections. It is unlawful to obscure from view, damage, deface, obstruct or restrict the access to any fire hydrant or any Fire Department connection for the pressurization of the fire suppression systems, including fire hydrants and Fire Department connections that are located on public or private streets and access lands, or on private property.
- §312 Hydrant Use Approval. A person shall not use or operate any fire hydrant intended for use of the Fire Department for fire suppression purposes unless such person first notifies the Fire Chief and secures permission from the water company having jurisdiction. This section does not apply to the use of such hydrants by a person employed by and authorized to make such use by, the water company having jurisdiction.
- §313 Public Water Supply. The Fire Chief shall recommend to the Manager of the Municipality the location or relocation of new or existing fire hydrants and the placement or replacement of inadequate water mains located upon public property and deemed necessary to provide an adequate fire flow and distribution pattern. A fire hydrant shall not be placed into or removed from service until approved by the Fire Chief.
- §314 Yard Systems. All new and existing oil storage facilities, lumber yards, amusement or exhibition parks, and educational or institutional complexes and similar occupancies and uses involving high fire or life hazards, and which are located more than one hundred fifty (150) feet from a public street or which require quantities of water beyond the capabilities of the public water distribution system, shall be provided with properly placed fire hydrants. Such fire hydrants shall be capable of supplying fire flows as required by the Fire Chief and shall be connected to a water system in accordance with accepted engineering practices. The Fire Chief shall designate and approve the number and location of the fire hydrants. The Fire Chief may require the installation of sufficient fire hoses and equipment housed in accordance with the approved rules and may require the establishment of a trained fire brigade when the hazard involved requires such measures. Private hydrants shall not be placed into or removed from service until approved by the Fire Chief.
- §315 Maintenance of Fire Suppression Equipment. A person shall not obstruct, remove, tamper with or otherwise disturb any fire hydrant or fire appliance required to be installed or maintained under the provisions of the Fire Prevention Code or Fire Code except for the purpose of extinguishing fire, training or testing purposes, recharging, or making necessary repairs, or when permitted by the Fire Chief. Whenever a fire appliance is removed as herein permitted, it shall be replaced or reinstalled as soon as the purpose for

which it was removed has been accomplished. Defective and non-approved fire appliances or equipment shall be replaced or repaired as directed by the Fire Chief.

- §316 Sale of Defective Fire Extinguishers. A person shall not sell, trade, loan or give away any form, type or kind of fire extinguisher which is not approved by the Fire Chief, or which is not in proper working order, or the contents of which do not meet the requirements of the Fire Chief. The requirements of this Section shall not apply to the sale, trade or exchange of obsolete or damaged equipment for junk and said units are permanently disfigured or marked with permanent sign identifying the unit as junk.
- §317 Street Obstructions. It is unlawful to erect, construct, place or maintain any bumps, fences, gates, chains, bars, pipes, wood or metal horses or any other type of obstruction in or on any street, within the boundaries of the Municipality, without consulting with the Fire Chiefs office.
- §318 Repealer. Any ordinance or parts thereof conflicting herewith be and the same are hereby repealed, with the exception of the ordinances specifically reserved from this repealer section by §319 of this Part 3.
- §319 Applicability of Other Laws. When any portion of this Part 3 is found to be in conflict with the BOCA Basic Fire Prevention Code of the Building Officials Code Administrators International, as has been adopted by Part 1 of this Chapter with any building, zoning, safety, health or other applicable law, ordinance or Code of the Municipality or with any regulation of the Allegheny County Health Department, now in force or hereafter adopted, the provision which establishes the higher standard for the promotion and protection of the safety and welfare of the public shall prevail.

**PART 4  
FIRE CODE**

§401 Definitions. For the purpose of this Part, the following terms shall have the meaning respectively ascribed to them in this Section unless from the particular context it clearly appears that some other meaning is intended. Other than words in this Section, those words which are defined in the International Fire Code, 2015 Edition, shall have the same definition as that employed in the International Fire Code, 2015 Edition.

New: Buildings, renovations, additions, facilities or conditions not in existence prior to the adoption of this code. Such buildings, facilities or conditions shall be regulated by the Pennsylvania Uniform Construction Code, as amended.

§402 Adoption of Provisions in the International Fire Code. The Municipality of Mt. Lebanon hereby adopts, for the purpose of establishing rules and regulations for regulating and governing the safe-guarding of life and property from fire and explosion hazard arising from the storage, handling and use of hazardous substances, materials, and devices and from conditions hazardous to life or property in occupancy of building and premises in Mt. Lebanon, including administration, enforcement and penalties, the following provisions of the International Fire Code, 2015 Edition, or any subsequent editions(s), if any, save and except such portions as are herein after deleted, modified, or amended of which three (3) copies have been and are now on file in the office of the Fire Code Official and the same is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as fully as if set out at length herein:

Adopted Provisions of the International Fire Code

§101.1 as amended below;  
§101.2 through §101.2.1;  
§101.3 through §101.5;  
§102.2 in its entirety;  
§103 in its entirety;  
§104.1 through §104.6.4  
§104.10 through §104.11.3;  
§105.1 through §105.1.1;  
§105.1.2;  
§105.1.3;  
§105.2 through §105.2.3;  
§105.2.4 as amended below;  
§105.3.2 as amended below;  
§105.6 through §105.6.48;  
§105.7 through §105.7.14;  
§106.1 through §106.2;  
§107 in its entirety;  
§108.1 as amended below;  
§109.1 through §109.3;  
§109.4 as amended below;

§110.2;  
§111.3;  
§112.1;  
§113.1 as amended below;  
§301.1 through §308.1.2;  
§308.1.3 as amended below;  
§308.1.4 through §310.1;  
§310.2 as amended below;  
§310.3 through §314.4;  
§315.1 as amended below;  
§315.2 through §315.3.2;  
§315.3.3 as amended below;  
§315.3.4 through §318.1;  
Chapter 4 in its entirety;  
§503.1 through §503.6;  
§504.2;  
§505.1 as amended below;  
§506.1 as amended below;  
§5061.1 through §506.2;  
§507.5 in its entirety;  
§510 in its entirety;  
§603.4 through §603.5.2;  
§603.7 in its entirety;  
§605.1 through §605.10.4;  
§608.1 through §608.7.2;  
§609.3 through §609.4;  
Chapter 7 in its entirety;  
§805 through §808, as amended below;  
§901.6 through §901.9;  
§903.5;  
§904.12.5 through §904.12.6.3;  
§904.13.2;  
§906 in its entirety;  
§907.8 through §907.8.2;  
§907.8.5;  
§909.20 through §909.20.6;  
§912.3 through §912.7;  
§913.5;  
§1017.4 through §1017.6 as amended below;  
§1031 in its entirety;  
§2105 through §2107 in its entirety;  
Chapter 22 in its entirety;  
§2305.2 in its entirety;  
Chapter 24 in its entirety;  
Chapter 26 in its entirety;  
Chapter 28 in its entirety;

Chapter 30 through Chapter 4437 in their entirety;  
Chapter 50 through Chapter 67 in their entirety;  
Chapter 80 only as referenced by adopted provisions.  
Appendices E through I.

§403 Amendments Made in 2009 International Fire Code. In order to complete this chapter, the following information shall be inserted in the International Fire Code, 2015 Edition, or any successor edition(s).

- A. 110.1 Title. These regulations shall be known as the Fire Code of Mt. Lebanon, Pennsylvania, hereinafter referred to as “this code.”
- B. 105.2.4 Action on application/renewal of application. The *fire code official* shall examine or cause to be examined all applications for permits/permit renewals and amendments thereto within a reasonable time after filing. The *fire code official* shall inspect or cause to be inspected the operation for which the application/renewal has been filed. If the application/renewal of the operation do not conform to the requirements of pertinent laws, the *fire code official* shall reject such application/renewal in writing, stating the reasons therefor. If the *fire code official* is satisfied that the proposed operation conforms to the requirements of this code and all laws and ordinances applicable thereto, the *fire code official* shall issue a permit/renewal therefor as soon as practicable.
- C. 105.3.2 Extensions. A permittee holding an unexpired permit shall have the right to apply for an extension of the time within which the permittee will commence work under that permit when work is unable to be commenced within the time required by this section for good and satisfactory reasons. The *fire code official* is authorized to grant, in writing, one extension of that time period of a permit for a period not more than 90 days. Such extensions shall be requested by the permit holder in writing and justifiable cause demonstrated.
- D. 108.1 Board of appeals established. Any owner or person who is aggrieved with the ruling or decision of the code official in any matter relative to the interpretation or enforcement of any of the provisions of this fire prevention code, may appeal such decision or interpretation to the Mt. Lebanon Codes Review Board in accordance with the Mt. Lebanon Code, Chapter I, §54, and the bylaws of such board. The decisions of the Codes Review Board shall be subject to the appropriate appeal procedures as provided by the law.
- E. 109.4 Violation penalties. Persons who shall violate a provision of this code or shall fail to comply with any of the requirements of a permit or certificate used under provisions of this code, shall be guilty of a Summary Offense, punishable by a fine or not more than one thousand (\$1,000) dollars or by imprisonment not exceeding thirty (30) days, or both such fine and imprisonment. Each day that a violation continues after due notice has been served shall be deemed as a separate offense.

- F. 113.1 Fees. A permit shall not be issued until the fees have been paid, nor shall an amendment to a permit be released until the additional fee, if any, has been paid. Fees for permits required by this Code shall be established by resolution adopted by the Mt. Lebanon Commission. Renewal fees shall be the same as the first time permit fees. Renewal fees shall be due and payable at the time of the filing for a permit renewal.
- G. 308.1.3 Torches for removing paint and removing/applying roofing. Persons utilizing a torch or other flame producing device for removing paint or the application and/or removal of roofing or other materials to a structure shall comply with the following:
1. An operating kettle, where applicable, shall be attended by a minimum of one (1) employee knowledgeable of the operations and hazards. The employee shall be within one hundred (100) feet (30.48 m) of the kettle and have the kettle within sight. Ladders or similar obstacles shall not form a part of the route between the attendant and the kettle.
  2. There shall be a portable fire extinguisher complying with §906 and with a minimum 40-B:C rating within twenty-five (25) feet (7.62 m) of each asphalt (tar) kettle during the period such kettle is being utilized, and one additional portable fire extinguisher with a minimum 40-B:C rating on the roof being covered.
  3. Provide a minimum of one (1) portable fire extinguisher complying with §906 and with a minimum 4-A rating, two (2) portable fire extinguishers, each with a minimum 2-A rating, or a water hose connected to a water supply on the premises where such burning is done. The person doing the burning shall remain on the premises one (1) hour after the torch or flame-producing device is utilized.
  4. A permit accordance with §105.6 shall be secured from the *fire code official* prior to the utilization of a torch or flame-producing device to remove paint or remove/apply roofing or other material to a structure.
- H. 301.2 Prohibited areas. Smoking shall be prohibited where conditions are such as to make smoking a hazard, including areas of piers, wharves, warehouses, stores, industrial plants, institutions, schools, assembly occupancies, elevators, spaces where combustible materials are stored or handled and other locations as determined by the code official.
- I. 315.1 General. Storage, use and handling of miscellaneous flammable and/or combustible materials shall be in accordance with this section. A permit shall be obtained in accordance with §105.6.

- J. 315.3.3 Equipment rooms and service equipment. Combustible and/or flammable materials shall not be stored in boiler rooms, mechanical rooms or electrical equipment rooms, or fire command centers as specified in §508.15. A minimum clearance area of three (3) feet (0.915 m) shall be maintained around all building service equipment, including electric panels, gas shutoffs, water shutoffs, transformers, fire protection system equipment and telecommunications equipment. Aisle ways or clear access must be maintained to all service equipment.
- K. 505.1 Address identification. Existing buildings shall have approved address numbers, building numbers or approved building identification placed in a position that is plainly legible and visible from the street or road fronting the property. These numbers shall contrast with their background. Address numbers shall be Arabic numbers or alphabetical letters. Number shall be a minimum of four (4) inches high with a minimum stroke width of 0.5 inches. Where access is by means of a private road and the building cannot be viewed from the public way, a monument, pole or other sign or means shall be used to identify the structure.
- L. 506.1 Where required. Where access to or within a building or occupancy is unduly difficult due to secured openings; or, where immediate access for life saving or firefighting is necessary; or, where the building or occupancy contains automatic fire suppression or fire protective signaling systems with controls located in secured locations, as determined by the fire department, a Knox Box brand key box shall be required. The box shall be of an approved design and shall be installed in a location approved by the fire department. The box shall contain necessary keys to access the common areas of the building or occupancy.
- M. 805. Upholstered furniture and mattresses in existing buildings.
- N. 806. Decorative vegetation in existing buildings.
- O. 807. Decorative materials other than decorative vegetation in existing buildings.
- P. 808. Furnishings other than upholstered furniture and mattresses or decorative materials in existing buildings.
- Q. 901.6.2 Records. Records of all system inspections, tests, and maintenance required by the referenced standard shall be maintained on the premises for a minimum of three (3) years and shall be provided to the fire department, by the company performing the inspections and maintenance, via the fire department's third-party inspection reporting system, Brycer, LLC.

- R. 107.4 Amusement device clearance. The clearance of all non-player sides for an amusement device shall comply with the device manufacturer's installation requirements.
- S. 1017.5 Player clearance. A clear floor area shall be maintained at the amusement device access point or player side. This space shall be measured the full dimension of the amusement device on the access point side or player side and extend out from the device no less than thirty-six (36) inches.
- T. 1017.6 Amusement area egress. In each room or space where amusement devices are located, the arrangement of the devices shall be such as to provide clear access by aisles to each egress door. Aisles leading directly to an egress door shall not have less than forty-four (44) inches clear width. Aisles shall not be obstructed by any permanent object or moveable objects such as chairs, tables or other objects. The required aisle and required player clearance shall not overlap.
- U. 908.7 Carbon monoxide alarms. Group R occupancies located in a building containing a fuel-burning appliance or in a building which has an attached garage shall be equipped with single-station carbon monoxide alarm.

The carbon monoxide alarms shall be listed as complying with UL2034 and be installed and maintained in accordance with NFPA 720 (Standard for the Installation of Carbon Monoxide Detection and Warning Equipment) and the manufacturer's instructions. An open parking garage, as defined in Chapter 2 of the International Building Code, or an enclosed parking garage ventilated in accordance with Section 404 of the International Mechanical Code shall not be considered an attached garage.

Exception: Sleeping units or dwelling units which do not themselves contain a fuel-burning appliance or have an attached garage, but which are located in a building with a fuel-burning appliance or an attached garage, need not be equipped with single-station carbon monoxide alarms provided that:

1. The sleeping unit or dwelling unit is located more than one story above or below any story which contains a fuel-burning appliance or an attached garage;
2. The sleeping unit or dwelling unit is not connected by duct work or ventilation shafts to any room containing a fuel-burning appliance or to an attached garage; and
3. The building is equipped with a common area carbon monoxide alarm that is connected to the building's fire alarm system.