

**ORDINANCE NO. 15-FY2011**

**ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF LAWNSIDE,  
COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
AMENDING CHAPTER 70, FIRE PREVENTION, IN THE  
CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF LAWNSIDE**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Lawnside, County of Camden, and State of New Jersey that Chapter 70, Fire Prevention, is hereby amended in the Code of the Borough of Lawnside, as follows:

**SECTION 70-1. Preamble**

The Uniform Fire Safety Act (P.O. 1983, c. 383) was enacted for the purpose of establishing a system for the enforcement of minimum fire standards throughout the State of New Jersey.

The New Jersey Department of Community Affairs has promulgated minimum fire safety standards which have been made a part of the Uniform Fire Code (N.J.A.C. 5:18-1 et seq.).

The Uniform Fire Safety Act authorizes municipalities to provide for local enforcement of these standards and to establish local enforcement agencies for the purposes. It is in the best interest of the Borough of Lawnside to have the Uniform Fire Code enforced locally.

**SECTION 70-2. Local Enforcement**

Pursuant to Section 11 of the Uniform Fire Safety Act (P.O. 1983, c. 383), the New Jersey Uniform Fire Code (N.J.A.C. 5:18-1 et seq.) shall be locally enforced in the municipalities participating in the Regional Fire Prevention Alliance (Boroughs of Barrington, Hi-Nella, Lawnside, Magnolia, Mount Ephraim and Oaklyn).

**SECTION 70-3 Agency designation**

The local enforcing agency shall be the Regional Fire Prevention Alliance.

**SECTION 70-4 Duties.**

The local enforcement agency shall enforce the Uniform Fire Safety Act and the codes and regulations adopted under it in all buildings, structures and premises within the established boundaries of the participating municipalities who are members of the Regional Fire Prevention Alliance.

**SECTION 70-5                      Permit Fees.**

<b>A. <u>Permit Type</u></b>	<b><u>Fee</u></b>
Type I	\$42.00
Type II	\$166.00
Type III	\$332.00
Type IV	\$497.00
Type V	\$1,150.00

**B. Application.** Application shall be made to the Fire Official for the uses and/or activities set forth in 70-5A. No application for a permit shall be acted upon unless such application is submitted ten (10) working days prior to an inspection.

**SECTION 70-6                      Inspection of non-life hazard uses.**

**A.** The local enforcing agency established by 70-2 shall carry out inspections, once every twelve (12) months, of non-life-hazard uses and/or activities. The inspection fees for non-life hazard uses and/or activities shall be as follows:

(1) Residential buildings with dwelling units not listed as life-hazard by the New Jersey Bureau of Fire Safety, except one- or two-family owner-occupied units:

<b>Unit Size</b>	<b>Fee</b>
1 to 3 units	\$80.00
4 to 10 units	\$146.00
11 to 20 units	\$195.00
21 to 40 units	\$236.00
Additional units or less	\$45.00 per unit

(2) Commercial or industrial use group includes all buildings not listed as life-hazard by

the New Jersey Bureau of Fire Safety. Each floor or story shall be calculated as separate areas for total building calculation.

<b>Building Size</b>	<b>Fee</b>
Building with or without attached dwelling units not in excess of 1000 square feet	\$70.00
Building with or without attached dwelling units in excess of 1000 square feet not exceeding 3000 square feet	\$116.00
Buildings in excess of 3000 square feet not exceeding 9000 square feet	\$146.00
Buildings in excess of 9000 square feet not exceeding 15,000 square feet	\$236.00
Buildings in excess of 15,000 square feet not exceeding 50,000 square feet	\$320.00
Buildings in excess of 50,000 square feet not exceeding 100,000 square feet	\$380.00
Buildings in excess of 100,000 square feet not exceeding 200,000 square feet	\$655.00
Buildings in excess of 200,000 square feet not exceeding 300,000 square feet	\$930.00
For each additional 100,000 square feet or part thereof	\$295.00

- B. Smoke detector inspections. Smoke detector inspections, to be conducted on all one- and two-family residential dwellings for resale being sold within our local L.E.A. shall be charged as follows:

Request received 14+ business days prior	\$40.00
Request received 13-8 business days prior	\$50.00
Request received 7-4 business days prior	\$75.00
Request received 3 business days or less prior	\$125.00

**SECTION 70-7 Exemptions**

All buildings, structures and premises owned by the boroughs participating in the L.E.A., fire stations and EMS stations, if classified as non-life hazard, although not exempt from registration or inspection, will be exempt from paying an inspection fee as pursuant to this chapter.

**SECTION 70-8 Adoption of Standards**

The Regional Fire Prevention Alliance hereby adopts the model code of the Building Officials and Code Administrators, Inc., known as the "BOCA Basic/National Fire Prevention Code/1984". This code is hereby adopted by reference, subject to the modifications set forth in N.J.A.C. 5:18-3.2.

**SECTION 70-9 Collection of fees and penalties.**

All fines and penalties collected by the enforcing agency established by 70-2 of this chapter shall be appropriated by the local body to the local enforcing agency for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this chapter.

**SECTION 70-10 Violations and penalties.**

Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this chapter shall, upon conviction thereof, be punishable as provided in N.J.A.C. 5:18-2.12.


All Ordinances contrary to the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent that they are inconsistent herewith.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication according to law.

FIRST READING: APRIL 6, 2011

SECOND READING & PUBLIC HEARING: MAY 4, 2011

ADOPTED: 5/4/2011

  
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