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**Part 1**  
**Fire Prevention Code**

**§5-101. Adoption of Fire Prevention Code.**

The Township of Jefferson, County of Butler, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, does hereby adopt by reference thereto as the standard for the governing of the Township of Jefferson, Butler County, Pennsylvania, the BOCA Basic Fire Prevention Code, 1984, as amended, to be the law within Jefferson Township from the effective date of this Part. Said standards are hereby incorporated in this chapter by reference in accordance with provisions of the Second Class Township Code, 53 P.S. §6573.2, as amended, July 2, 1953, P.L. 354, with a copy of said BOCA Basic Fire Prevention Code being on file with the Township Secretary at the Township Municipal Building.

(Ord. 35, 5/19/1977, §1; as amended by Ord. of 11/5/1984)

**§5-102. Application of Provisions.**

1. The provisions of the BOCA Fire Prevention Code of 1984, as amended, shall apply to property and facilities owned or occupied by any municipal or governmental body, such as but not limited to Township offices, Township maintenance buildings, schools and school buildings.
2. The provisions of this Part shall apply to all new structures and their occupancies, including buildings, structures, equipment, etc., and, except as otherwise specified, to existing structures and their occupancies, including buildings, structures, equipment, etc., which constitute a common hazard to life and to property by violations existing and continuing violations of the provisions of this Part.

(Ord. 35, 5/19/1977, §2; as amended by Ord. of 11/5/1984)

**§5-103. Administration.**

The provisions of this Part and the requirements of the BOCA Basic Fire Prevention Code of 1984 shall be administered and enforced by the Township Fire Marshal, who shall be appointed by the Township Supervisors and who shall serve at their pleasure. The Township Fire Marshal may designate one or more assistant Fire Marshals, who shall have the same authority as the Fire Marshal upon the ratification by the Township Supervisors of his appointment as an Assistant Fire Marshal by the duly appointed Fire Marshal of the Township.

(Ord. 35, 5/19/1977, §3; as amended by Ord. of 11/5/1984)

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### **§5-104. Right of Entry.**

The Jefferson Township Fire Marshal or his designated assistant, in the discharge of his duties, shall, upon proper identification, have the authority to enter any building, structure or premises at any reasonable time for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this Part.

(Ord. 35, 5/19/1977, §4)

### **§5-105. Compliance Required; Evidence of Violation.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to violate this Part, to permit or maintain a violation, to refuse to obey any provisions hereof or to fail or refuse to abide by such provisions or regulations, except as may be permitted by the Fire Marshal of Jefferson Township in writing.

(Ord. 35, 5/19/1977, §5)

### **§5-106. Penalties.**

Please see Chapter 1, Part 5, Ordinance Enforcement Procedure.

(Ord. 35, 5/19/1977, §6; as amended by Ord. 60, 3/12/1985; and by Ord. 155, 1/5/1998)

**Part 2**

**Uniform Construction Code**

**§5-201. Electing to Administer and Enforce.**

Jefferson Township hereby elects to administer and enforce the provisions of the Pennsylvania Construction Code Act, Act 45 of 1999, 35 P.S. §§7210.101 – 7210.1103, as amended from time to time, and its regulations.

(Ord. 213, 6/14/2004)

**§5-202. Adoption of Uniform Construction Code.**

The Uniform Construction Code, contained in 34 Pa. Code, Chapters 401 – 405, as amended from time to time, is hereby adopted and incorporated herein by reference as the municipal building code of Jefferson Township.

(Ord. 213, 6/14/2004)

**§5-203. Administration and Enforcement.**

Administration and enforcement of the Code within Jefferson Township shall be undertaken in any of the following ways, as determined by the Supervisors of Jefferson Township from time to time by resolution:

- A. By the designation of an employee of Jefferson Township to serve as the municipal code official to act on behalf of the Township.
- B. By the retention of one or more construction code officials or third-party agencies to act on behalf of the Township.
- C. By agreement with one or more other municipalities for the joint administration and enforcement of this Act through an intergovernmental agreement.
- D. By entering into a contract with another municipality for the administration and enforcement of this Act on behalf of this Township.
- E. By entering into an agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry for plan review, inspections and enforcement of structures other than one-family or two-family dwelling units and utility and miscellaneous use structures.

(Ord. 213, 6/14/2004)

**§5-204. Board of Appeals.<sup>1</sup>**

A Board of Appeals shall be established by resolution of the Supervisors of Jefferson Township in conformity with the requirements of the relevant provisions of the Code, as amended from time to time, and for the purposes set forth therein. If, at any time, enforcement and administration is undertaken jointly with one or more other municipalities, said Board of Appeals shall be established by joint action of the participating municipalities.

(Ord. 213, 6/14/2004)

**§5-205. Prior Regulations.**

1. All building code ordinances or portions of ordinances which were adopted by Jefferson Township on or before July 1, 1999, and which equal or exceed the requirements of the code shall continue in full force and effect until such time as such provisions fail to equal or exceed the minimum requirements of the code, as amended by time to time.
2. All building code ordinances or portions of ordinances which are in effect as of the effective date of this Part and whose requirements are less than the minimum requirements of the code are hereby amended to conform with the comparable provisions of the code.
3. All relevant ordinances, regulations and policies of Jefferson Township not governed by the code shall remain in full force and effect.

(Ord. 213, 6/14/2004)

**§5-206. Fees.**

Fees assessable by Jefferson Township for the administration and enforcement undertaken pursuant to this Part and the code shall be established by the Supervisors by resolution from time to time.<sup>2</sup>

(Ord. 213, 6/14/2004)

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<sup>1</sup> Editor's Note: See Chapter 1, Part 8, Building Code Board of Appeals.

<sup>2</sup> Editor's Note: The current Fee Schedule is on file in the Township offices.

**Part 3**

**Technical Specifications for Plumbing Connections**

**§5-301. Definitions.**

As used in this Part, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

**CODE** — the Uniform Construction Code, which adopted the International Plumbing Code regulations and which is codified under 35 Pa.C.S.A. §7210.101 et seq.

**CONNECTION SPECIFICATIONS** — the technical specifications as issued by the International Plumbing Code and adopted by the Uniform Construction Code for the purpose of defining the specifications for sanitary sewer service line installations and/or connections.

**SANITARY SEWER SERVICE LINE** — all pipelines and facilities, as of any particular time, used for collecting, pumping, treating and disposing of sanitary sewage and industrial wastes, situate in or adjacent to this Township and owned or leased to this Township for operation and use.

**TOWNSHIP** — the Township of Jefferson, Butler County, Pennsylvania, a Pennsylvania municipal corporation, acting by and through its Board of Commissioners or, in appropriate cases, acting by and through its authorized representatives.

(Res. 248, 4/9/2007)

**§5-302. Authority.**

1. The Township has adopted the code for the purpose of maintaining standards for construction within the Township.
2. The code employs the International Plumbing Code for the purposes of defining the connection specifications.
3. The Township is hereby authorized, under Section 7210.503 of the Code, to modify and/or amend the connection specifications.

(Res. 248, 4/9/2007)

**§5-303. Technical Specifications.**

This Township's new technical specifications hereby supersede and/or amend the code as it applies to the technical requirements of the connection specifications. The technical specifications of this new Part, being equal to or exceeding the minimum requirements

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of the International Plumbing Code, are further specified in the guidelines, specifications, and drawings attached hereto as Exhibit A.<sup>1</sup>

(Res. 248, 4/9/2007)

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<sup>1</sup> Editor's Note: Exhibit A is on file in the Township offices.