



DESERT HILLS FIRE DISTRICT

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RESOLUTION 2026-01

A Resolution of the Desert Hills Fire District Board, amending and restating its existing 2018 International Fire Code so as to incorporate the 2024 International Fire Code provisions and to include certain additional appendices and amendments thereto attached, prescribing regulations governing conditions hazardous to life and property from fire or explosion, providing for the issuance of permits and collection of fees, and establishing a Bureau of Fire Prevention and providing officers thereof and defining their powers and duties, therefore repealing all other resolutions and parts of the resolutions in conflict therewith.

SECTION 1

A. Adoption of the International Fire Code & Standards:

(1) The Desert Hills Fire District Board hereby amends and restates its existing 2018 International Fire Code to adopt and integrate as a complete restatement the terms and provisions of the code entitled "The International Fire Code", 2024 Edition, published by the International Code Council, including the following Standards and Appendices:

Appendix B – Fire Flow Requirements for Buildings

Appendix C – Fire Hydrants Location and Distribution

Appendix D – Fire Apparatus Access Roads

Appendix F – Hazard Ranking

Appendix H – Hazardous Materials Management Plan (HMMP) and Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement (HMIS) Instructions

Appendix I – Fire Protection Systems – Noncompliant Conditions

Appendix N – Indoor Trade Shows and Exhibitions

Appendix O – Valet Trash and Recycling Collection in Group R-2 Occupancies

Appendix P – Desert Hills Fire District Standard for Fire Hydrant Installation

(2) This amendment integrates the codes and standards described in paragraph (1) and is adopted for the purpose of providing regulations governing conditions hazardous to life and property from fire and explosion.

(3) Three (3) copies of said International Fire Code, 2024 Edition, shall remain on file and available for public inspection in the Fire Prevention Bureau.

B. Establishment and duties of the Fire Prevention Bureau:

(1) The newly restated 2024 International Fire Code, as further amended, shall be enforced by the Desert Hills Fire District Fire Prevention Bureau, which is hereby established, and which shall be operated under the supervision of the Chief of the District.

(2) The Officer in charge of the Fire Prevention Bureau shall be appointed by the Fire Chief.

(3) The Chief of the District may detail such members of the District as inspectors as shall, from time to time, be necessary.

C. Definitions: Wherever the word “jurisdiction” is used in the International Fire Code, it is the Desert Hills Fire District.

D. Fire lanes on private property.

(1) In addition to the provisions of Section 503 of the International Fire Code, the Fire Chief may require designated fire lanes to provide access for the fire suppression operations by the use of an improved public street, areaway, private lot, driveway or roadway to existing structures under this section.

E. A fire lane is a designated area, parking lot, driveway or roadway or portion thereof that shall be:

(1) Designated or approved by the Fire Chief or the Fire Chief’s appointee.

(2) Marked with standard signs and other markers as approved by the Fire Chief or the Fire Chief’s appointee. The expense and installation of the signs shall be the

responsibility of the property owner. The property owner shall also be responsible for maintaining and/or replacing the fire lane signs when they become damaged or faded.

(3) Maintained clear of obstructions its entire length.

(4) No person shall park a motor vehicle on or otherwise obstruct any fire lane except as may be specifically permitted by the Fire Chief or the Fire Chief's appointee. Any violation of this paragraph is in violation of a Class 1 Misdemeanor as provided in the ARS 28-873.

(5) Any vehicle obstructing a fire lane may be towed away at the expense of the owner.

(6) Fire lanes shall be provided for all structures when required by the Fire Chief or the Fire Chief's appointee and must meet the following specifications:

- a) Shall meet the requirements set forth in Section 503.
- b) A maximum of ten (10) percent gradient ten (10) feet in one hundred (100) feet.
- c) A minimum of (45) forty-five feet outside radius on curves.

F. The specific requirements of this section may be modified by the Fire Chief or the Fire Chief's appointee in recognition of varying occupancies, sizes and hazards of buildings and the provision of other means of access or fixed fire protection.

G. Except as provided in paragraph E (4), any violation of this section or of an order of the Fire Chief or the Fire Chief's appointee issued pursuant to this section constitutes a misdemeanor.

SECTION 2

Any person who violates any provision of this resolution or of the codes adopted by this resolution shall be punished by a fine not exceeding One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) or by imprisonment in jail for not more than six (6) months, or by both such fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the courts. Each day any violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Resolution to amend and restate in its entirety the current 2018 version of the International Fire Code to integrate the 2024 International Fire Code with additional amendments shall be effective

May 20, 2026.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 20 day of May, 2026 by
the Desert Hills Fire District Board.



Tom Roger, Board Chairman,

Curtis Schafer, Board Clerk

