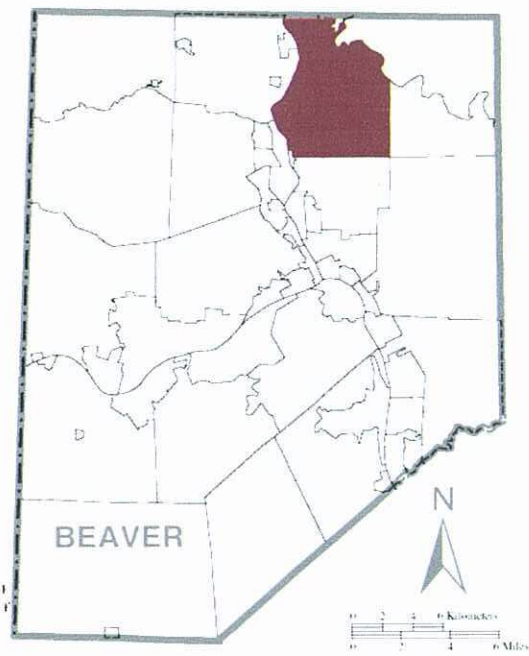


# North Sewickley Township Beaver County, PA

## Chapter 7 Fire Prevention & Protection



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## FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION

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**PART 1  
Outdoor Fires**

**§7-101 DEFINITIONS**

The word "person" as used in this Chapter shall mean any natural person or persons, association, partnership, firm, or corporation.

**§7-102 LIMITATIONS**

- A. From and after the adoption of this Chapter, out-of-door fire shall be permitted upon private property within the Township of North Sewickley only during the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday of each week, it being specifically provided that no burning shall be permitted on Sunday or Monday of any week. Further, there shall be no burning of garbage, natural or synthetic rubber, animal waste or any material that produces noxious or toxic odors.<sup>1</sup>
- B. Any person who lights an outdoor fire shall at all times remain in the proximity of said fire and shall not permit that outdoor fire to spread outside the limits of that persons own property and shall at all times prior to the ignition of said outdoor fire take steps and precautions as are reasonably necessary to prevent any outdoor fire from spreading from that persons own property. Further, it shall be unlawful for any person to start an outdoor fire so close to the boundary of his or her property that the same is likely to spread beyond the confines of that person's property. The time and day restrictions of this Ordinance shall not apply to campfires or other recreational fires provided the same are at all times attended by one or more persons.<sup>2</sup>

**§7-103 PENALTIES**

Any person who shall violate or fail to conform to any of the provisions of this Chapter shall, upon conviction thereof, be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) and the costs of prosecution, and in default of payment of such fine and costs, shall be sentenced to imprisonment according to the method provided by the Second-Class Township Code for enforcement of Ordinances. It is further herein provided that is fire-fighting assistance is needed to extinguish a fire that is allowed to spread outside of the limits of a person's own property, then the fine imposed for violating this Chapter shall be the cost of extinguishing the fire plus the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) and costs of prosecution.

<sup>1</sup> Ordinance No. 67, July 18, 1989.

<sup>2</sup> Ordinance No. 67, July 18, 1989.

## PART 2

### Volunteer Fire Company

#### §7-201 FIRE DEPARTMENT RECOGNIZED

The North Sewickley Township Volunteer Fire Department, hereinafter the "Fire Department"), organized and existing in the Township of North Sewickley, Beaver County, Pennsylvania, is hereby designated as the officially recognized fire department for the Township.

#### §7-202 AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

- A. The Fire Department is hereby authorized to provide such services to the Township as may be necessary for the protection of property and persons situate therein, which include by way of example and not of limitation, the extinguishment of fires and prevention of loss of life and property from fire, automobile accidents, medical emergencies, hazardous materials incidents, and other dangerous situations.
- B. The Fire Department may also provide nonemergency and public service functions, such as, again by way of example, and not of limitation, removing water from property after storms, and assisting in the removal, abatement and prevention of damage or injury to persons or property, whether through natural causes or man-made situations.
- C. The Fire Department may also conduct and participate in such training activities and drills, either within or outside of the Township, as may be deemed necessary by the officers of the Fire Department to maintain proficiency in providing service.
- D. The Fire Department may also respond to calls and provide services to municipalities outside of the Township.

#### §7-203 AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES OF MEMBERS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

In addition to actually participating in the activities of the Fire Department, as authorized above, or in going to or returning from any activity, the members of the Fire Department recognized by the Township are also authorized to do the following things:

- A. Engage in any type of drill, training, ceremony, practice, test or parade when duly called for or authorized by an officer or officers of the Fire Department;
- B. Engage in legal fund-raising activities for the Fire Department, when authorized by an officer or officers of the Fire Department;
- C. Engage in the performance of any other lawful duty or activity authorized by any officer of the recognized Fire Department.

#### §7-204 PURPOSE

The purpose of this Part is to recognize the Fire Department as the official Fire Department of the Township, and to state additional authorized activities for fire-fighters for workmen's compensation purposes.