



*MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS OF THE  
TOWN OF NORTH EAST*

*ORDINANCE NO. 2007-04-01*

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS OF THE TOWN OF NORTH EAST FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENACTING ARTICLE 8 THE RESIDENTIAL SPRINKLER PROGRAM OF CHAPTER 7 PUBLIC MAINTENANCE AND ENVIRONMENT OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF NORTH EAST, MARYLAND.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of North East have received a recommendation from the North East Planning Commission that based on the information and data available to them, they deem it necessary, in order to promote the health, safety and general welfare of the community, to enact a Residential Sprinkler Program; that the data and information presented to the North East Planning Commission reveals that individual residential sprinkler systems are both technologically and economically viable and substantially reduce the likelihood of death of an occupant of a residential unit by fire; that the North East Planning Commission has recommended the adoption of a Residential Sprinkler Program which will require the installation of residential sprinkler systems in accordance with the most recent version of the applicable residential fire sprinkler standards as promulgated by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA).

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of North East deem it necessary, in order to promote the health, safety and general welfare of the community, to enact a Residential Sprinkler Program in accordance with the recommendations of the North East Planning Commission.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE Mayor and Commissioners of the Town of North East that Chapter 7 Public Maintenance and Environment Article 8 Residential Sprinkler Program as set forth herein is effective as of May 29, 2007.

**Article 8. Residential Sprinkler Program**

**Section 8-101. Definitions**

New Residential Construction shall mean and include construction for which a construction authorization is issued for new or replacement single family dwellings, two-family dwellings, multiple-family dwellings and duplexes. New residential construction shall mean and include a new or replacement accessory dwelling unit which is constructed on the same parcel/lot as a new or replacement single family dwelling, two-family dwelling, multiple-family dwelling or a duplex.

**Section 8-102. Applicability**

The requirements of this Ordinance shall apply to all new residential construction on all existing lots, future lots or proposed new subdivision within the Town of North East which has received preliminary plan approval and for which a construction authorization has not been issued and is requested on or after June 1, 2007.

The requirements of this Ordinance shall supercede the requirements of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of North East Article 9 The Building Code.

**Section 8-103. Requirements**

All new residential construction on all existing lots, future lots or proposed new subdivision within the Town of North East shall be required to install an interior automatic fire sprinkler system. The automatic fire sprinkler system shall be installed and maintained in accordance with the most recent version of the standards as promulgated by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) as may be modified and adopted by the State of Maryland Fire Prevention Code, as amended from time to time. Interior fire sprinkler systems required pursuant to this Ordinance may be connected to the domestic water supply supplying the residence, provided the water supply is of adequate pressure, capacity and sizing for the combined domestic and sprinkler system requirements and proper back flow valves are installed.

MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS  
OF THE TOWN OF NORTH EAST

Attest: Anne F. Barker  
Anne F. Barker  
Clerk/Treasurer

Robert F. McKnight  
Robert F. McKnight, Mayor

Kena L. Koch  
Kena L. Koch, Commissioner

DATE INTRODUCED: April 25, 2007

Charles R. Palmer, II  
Charles R. Palmer, II, Commissioner

DATE PASSED: May 9, 2007

Nancy K. Stark  
Nancy K. Stark, Commissioner

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 29, 2007

          
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