

Chapter 90
LIFE SAFETY STANDARDS

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[HISTORY: Adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of Langhorne Manor 5-12-1970. Amendments noted where applicable.]

GENERAL REFERENCES

Building construction — See Ch. 49.
Fire prevention — See Ch. 76.

Residential rental units — See Ch 118.

§ 90-1. Adoption of code by reference.

There is hereby adopted by the Borough of Langhorne Manor for the purpose of prescribing regulations governing conditions in buildings and exit facilities of buildings to promote public safety from fire, that certain code known as the “1967 Edition of the Life Safety Code” (formerly “Building Exits Code” and hereinafter designated “Life Safety Code”) adopted by the National Fire Protection Association May 18, 1967, with the same force and effect as if set forth in full herein, except for such modifications or amendments as are hereinafter set forth; copies of the aforesaid Life Safety Code shall be on file in the Borough Municipal Building, Prospect and Hulmeville Avenues, Borough of Langhorne Manor, and may be examined at times of regular meetings of the Borough Council or upon appointment made with the Borough Secretary.

§ 90-2. Establishment of enforcement authority.

- A. The Life Safety Code shall be enforced by the Fire Chief of the Langhorne-Middletown Fire Company, who shall be elected annually by the members of said company as provided in its bylaws; the Fire Chief shall be the authority having jurisdiction as that term is used in the Life Safety Code.
- B. The Fire Chief may detail such members of the fire company as inspectors as shall from time to time be necessary. The Fire Chief may also recommend to Borough Council the employment of a technical inspector if special circumstances require.

§ 90-3. Modifications.

The Fire Chief shall have the power to modify any of the provisions of the Life Safety Code upon written application therefor by the owner or lessee, when there are practical difficulties in

the way of carrying out the strict letter of the code, provided that the spirit of the code shall be observed, public safety assured and substantial justice done. Such modification, if granted, shall be in writing and filed with the other papers in the case.

§ 90-4. Order to eliminate hazardous conditions.

- A. Whenever the Fire Chief shall find hazardous conditions in any building or structure, and if those conditions are in violation of this code, he shall order such conditions to be remedied or removed. The order shall be in writing and may be served either by delivery to and leaving a copy with the owner of the premises or, if such owner is absent from the borough, by sending such copy by registered mail to the owner's last known post office address. Service by mail shall be deemed to have been made on the third day following the date of mailing.
- B. The owner shall comply with the order within sixty (60) days from the date the order is served; if the order of the Fire Chief is appealed, as set forth in § 90-5 below, the owner shall, within thirty (30) days, comply with any order or decision of the Borough Council regarding remedy or removal of the hazardous conditions.

§ 90-5. Appeals.

Whenever the Fire Chief shall disapprove an application under § 90-3 above or issue an order under § 90-4 above, or when it is claimed that the provisions of the code do not apply or that the true intent and meaning of the code has been misconstrued or wrongly interpreted, or if the Fire Chief shall approve any application or grant any permit which any resident of the borough shall object to, the applicant, owner or party objecting may appeal from the decision or order of the Fire Chief to Langhorne Manor Borough Council within sixty (60) days from the date of the decision or order of the Fire Chief, except that if the appeal is from an order of the Fire Chief under § 90-4 above, the appeal shall be within sixty (60) days from the date of service of the order.

§ 90-6. Violations and penalties. [Amended 8-13-1974 by Ord. No. 102]

Any person who shall violate any provisions of this chapter shall, upon conviction thereof, be liable to a fine of not more than three hundred dollars (\$300.) or to imprisonment in the county jail for a term of not more than thirty (30) days, or both. The continuation of such violation for each successive day shall constitute a separate offense, and the person or persons allowing or permitting the continuation of the violation may be punished as provided above for each separate offense.