

**ORDINANCE NO. 2026 \_\_\_\_\_**

**AMENDMENT TO THE CITY CODE CHAPTER 279 TITLED FIRE PREVENTION STANDARDS**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 279 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF LATROBE, COUNTY OF WESTMORELAND, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA – TITLED FIRE PREVENTION STANDARDS**

WHEREAS, the City of Latrobe seeks to modernize and strengthen its fire prevention regulations by repealing outdated provisions and adopting the most recent editions of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) codes and standards, including all supplements, modifications, and revised editions issued after the enactment of this chapter, as reflected in the updated Fire Prevention Code; and,

WHEREAS, the City finds it necessary to replace the existing Chapter 279 in its entirety to ensure consistency with current NFPA fire safety requirements, improve administrative and enforcement procedures under Chapter 98, and enhance public safety by reducing hazards and ensuring safer occupancy conditions throughout the community; and,

WHEREAS, the City seeks to enhance public safety by strengthening building standards to reduce hazards and ensure safer occupancy conditions and,

NOW, THEREFORE, be it enacted and ordained by the Council of the City of Latrobe, and the City of Latrobe hereby ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 279 – Fire Prevention Standards Section 279-1 through Section 279-13 be updated and corrected as outlined on the attached Exhibit A.

SECTION 2. That the within Ordinance shall take effect on the date of publication of the post enactment notice of passage of the same and no later than \_\_\_\_\_.

SECTION 3. That the City Manager, The City Secretary, Mayor and any other proper City official is authorized and directed to execute any and all documents and to take any action necessary in order to carry in effect the within ordinance.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of July, 2026.

ATTEST:

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LATROBE:

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Janina Hall, Council Secretary

By:

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Eric Bartels, Mayor

## Chapter 279

### FIRE PREVENTION STANDARDS

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[~~HISTORY: Adopted by the Council of Latrobe 7-13-1981 by Ord. No. 1981-2 as Ch. VII, Part 1, of the 1981 Code. Amendments noted where applicable.~~]

#### GENERAL REFERENCES

~~Building construction — See Ch. 108.~~

~~Fire Department — See Ch. 271.~~

~~Outdoor burning — See Ch. 262.~~

~~Fire limits; fireproof construction — See Ch. 275.~~

#### ~~§ 279-1. Adoption of standards.~~

~~It is hereby adopted by Latrobe for the purpose of prescribing regulations and minimum standards governing conditions hazardous to life and property from fire or explosion that certain code known as the "Fire Prevention Code," 1976 Edition, the amendments and supplements thereto, by the American Insurance Association, except such portions that are deleted, modified or amended by §§ 279-4 through 279-14, and the same be and is hereby adopted and incorporated herein by reference as fully as if set out in length herein; and the provisions thereof shall be controlling in all of the buildings, structures and premises within Latrobe from the date of the enactment of this chapter. There is also adopted by Latrobe by reference as a part of this chapter any and all supplements, modifications and revised editions issued by American Insurance Association subsequent to the date of this chapter.~~

#### ~~§ 279-2. Administration and enforcement.~~

~~There is hereby adopted within this chapter all of the provisions and sections of Chapter 98, Administration and Enforcement, regulating the administration and enforcement of the Housing (Chapter 132), Building (Chapter 108), Plumbing (Chapter 147), and Electrical (Chapter 121) Codes for Latrobe.~~

**§ 279-3. Definitions.**

Where used in the Fire Prevention Code, 1976 Edition, its amendments and supplements thereto, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

~~BUREAU OF FIRE PREVENTION~~—The Fire Department of Latrobe.

~~CHIEF OF THE BUREAU OF FIRE PREVENTION~~—the Fire Chief.

~~CORPORATION COUNSEL~~—The Solicitor for Latrobe.

~~MUNICIPALITY~~—Latrobe; if a blank is left in any sentence in the Fire Prevention Code and it is indicated that the reference is to the municipality involved, that municipality shall mean Latrobe.

**§ 279-4. Amendments to standards. [Amended 7-11-1988 by Ord. No. 1988-3; 11-13-1989 by Ord. No. 1989-10]**

The Fire Prevention Code is amended and changed in the following respects:

- A. ~~The first paragraph of Section 1.5 is deleted and the following section is substituted: "Whenever the Fire Chief or any of his properly authorized inspectors under Section 1.4 shall find in any building or upon any premises dangerous or hazardous conditions or materials as hereafter listed, he shall report such conditions to the Officer of Code Enforcement, who shall serve notice on the owner, operator or occupant as is prescribed in Chapter 98, Administration and Enforcement." All other paragraphs of Section 1.5 are hereby adopted without change.~~
- B. ~~Section 1.6 is deleted in its entirety and the following paragraph is substituted: "The service of all notices of violations shall be made as is prescribed in Chapter 98, Administration and Enforcement."~~
- C. ~~Subparagraph c of Section 1.9 is deleted and the following paragraph is substituted: "c. All applications for permits required by this code shall be made to the Office of Code Enforcement, with the exception that applications for permits governing the storage of gasoline and permits required for burning shall be made to the Fire Department. All applications for permits shall be made in such form and detail as these offices shall prescribe and shall be accompanied by such plans as is required by said offices."~~
- D. ~~Section 1.10 is deleted in its entirety and the following section is substituted: "Revocation of all permits shall be made as per the notice requirements of Chapter 98, Administration and Enforcement, and shall be made by the Code Enforcement Officer when he has been notified by the Fire Chief or one of his authorized inspectors that a violation of this code has occurred."~~
- E. ~~Subsection b(3) of Section 16.71 is deleted and the following section is substituted: "At automotive service stations, storage tanks containing Class I or Class II liquids installed of necessity in accordance with Section 16.71 b(2) shall not exceed 8,000 gallons' individual or 24,000 gallons' aggregate capacity."~~
- F. ~~Subsection a(1) of Section 16.21 is deleted, and the following subsection is substituted: "Tanks shall be built of steel except as provided in Section 16.21 a(2) through (5). All steel tanks must be Hareo SRC System or a comparable system and installed in accordance with manufacturer's regulations. In lieu of steel tanks, fiberglass tanks may be used, provided that the same meet the requirements of Section 16.21 a(2) through (5)."~~
- G. ~~Division 7, Section 16.78, Fire Control, is hereby amended by adding thereto Subsections (b) and (c) to read as follows:~~

- ~~"(b) In addition to all other requirements of this Fire Prevention Code, every self-service filling station located in Latrobe shall comply with the following regulations:~~
- ~~"(i) There shall be installed on each service island a total suppression system designed by a suppression system engineer comparable or equivalent to or better than the Walter Kidde Fire Suppression Systems and approved by the Fire Chief of Latrobe or such other person as may be designated by the Fire Chief or Latrobe Council from time to time.~~
  - ~~"(ii) The fire suppression system shall have an automatic firing capability and also a manual firing capability from the service island and from the control point in the self-service station and not more distant than 10 feet from the attendant in the self-service station.~~
  - ~~"(iii) There shall also be installed for each self-service station a fire alarm box and an audio and visual alarm, self-energized, located on the exterior of the structure of the station and so installed to activate automatically if there is a firing of the suppression system either automatically or manually.~~
  - ~~"(iv) There shall also be installed a manual pull station located at the control desk at the control point of the station and not more distant than 10 feet from the attendant on duty.~~
  - ~~"(v) Any service station offering full service with attendant or combination of full service and attendant and self-service which after the effective date of this subsection, replaces or renews pump islands, storage tanks or supply lines to dispensing pumps must install an overhead suppression system as specified in this subsection covering all islands the same as required for self-service stations and be fully automatic as set forth herein.~~
  - ~~"(vi) Each such suppression system must be tested with an appropriate live test after installation and prior to approval and thereafter at least once in each five years or more frequently as requested by the Fire Chief, as the Fire Chief may reasonably deem appropriate or necessary.~~
  - ~~"(vii) The provisions of this subsection shall apply to all new and existing self-service and full-service stations in Latrobe.~~
- ~~"(c) All existing stations in Latrobe shall comply with the provisions of this subsection on or before July 1, 1990."~~

~~H. Subsection 16.23.~~

- ~~(1) Subsection 16.23, Underground Tanks—Installation and Removal from Service, Subparagraph d, Abandonment Or Removal of Underground Tanks, Subsections (1), (2) and (3)(a), (b) and (c) are deleted, and the following section is substituted:~~

~~"d. Abandonment Or Removal of Underground Tanks.~~

- ~~"(1) Underground tanks taken out of service shall be safeguarded or disposed of by any one of the two following means:~~

~~"(a) Placed in a temporarily out of service condition. Tanks shall be rendered temporarily out of service only when it is planned that they will be returned to active service within time limits established by the Chief of the Bureau of Fire Prevention or pending removal or abandonment within 90 days.~~

~~"(b) Removed.~~

~~"(2) In cases where tanks are rendered temporarily out of service, the Fire Chief shall be immediately notified of that status; the method for placing the temporarily out of service tank in a safe condition and the projected date of accomplishment; and notification of when the same has been accomplished. In cases where tanks are permanently abandoned, the Fire Chief shall also be immediately notified of the abandonment; the method of removal of the tank and projected date of accomplishment; and notification of when the same has been accomplished. In either case, notification shall be in writing by the owner of the tank.~~

~~"(3) Procedures for carrying out each of the above methods of disposing of underground tanks are described in the following sections. No cutting torch or other flame or spark producing equipment shall be used until the tank has been completely purged or otherwise rendered safe. In each case, the numbered steps given shall be carried out successively.~~

~~"(a) Rendering tanks temporarily out of service.~~

~~"[1] Cap the fill line, gauge opening and pump suction; secure against tampering.~~

~~"[2] Leave the vent line open.~~

~~"(b) Removal of underground tanks.~~

~~"[1] Remove all flammable or combustible liquids from tank and from connecting lines.~~

~~"[2] Disconnect the suction, inlet, gauge and vent lines; remove sections of connecting lines which are not to be used further and cap or plug inlets, outlets and leaks, if any, and remove the tank to ground surface. After removal, the tank shall be gas-freed on the premises if it can be done safely at that location or transported to an area not accessible to the public and the gas-freeing completed at that location. Thereafter, the tank shall be disposed of in accordance with any applicable governmental rules and regulations."~~

~~(2) All other provisions of Section 16.23 of the Fire Code of 1976 shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.~~

#### **~~§ 279-5. Limits of district in which storage of explosives and blasting agents is prohibited.~~**

~~The limits referred to in Section 12.5(b) of the Fire Prevention Code in which storage of explosives and blasting agents is prohibited are established as follows: "No storage within the limits of Latrobe without a permit signed by the Code Enforcement Officer and the Fire Chief."~~

~~§ 279-6. Limits of district in which storage of flammable liquids in outside aboveground tanks is prohibited.~~

~~There is hereby established as the district that flammable liquids may be stored in outside aboveground tanks the following:~~

- ~~A.—The limits referred to in Section 16.22(a) of the Fire Prevention Code in which storage of flammable liquids in outside aboveground tanks is prohibited are hereby established as follows: "Prohibited everywhere within Latrobe except those areas that are now known as 'heavy industrial areas,' and these only with a permit signed by the Code Enforcement Officer and the Fire Chief."~~
- ~~B.—The limits referred to in Section 16.61 of the Fire Prevention Code in which new bulk plants for flammable or combustible liquids are prohibited are hereby established as follows: "Prohibited everywhere within Latrobe except those areas that are now known as 'heavy industrial areas,' and these only with a permit signed by the Code Enforcement Officer and the Fire Chief."~~

~~§ 279-7. Limits of district in which bulk storage of liquefied petroleum gas is restricted.~~

~~The limits referred to in Section 21.6(a) of the Fire Prevention Code in which bulk storage of liquefied petroleum gas is restricted are hereby established as follows: "Everywhere within Latrobe except those areas that are now known as 'heavy industrial areas,' and these only with a permit signed by the Code Enforcement Officer and the Fire Chief."~~

~~§ 279-8. Incinerators. [Added 10-9-1995 by Ord. No. 1995-4]~~

- ~~A.—Prohibition of residential incinerators. No device or apparatus utilized for the process of burning shall be used as an incinerator for the burning of refuse materials. It shall not be unlawful for any furnace, wood burning stove or fireplace to be utilized for the burning of traditional fossil fuels, including but not limited to oil, coal, gas or wood, for the purpose of home heating; provided, further, however, that the burning of any solid materials during late spring, summer or early fall when the temperature shall be 65° or greater shall be deemed for the purpose of incinerating and shall not be deemed for the purpose of home heating.~~
- ~~B.—Regulation of commercial/industrial incinerators. Any incinerator utilized in a commercial or industrial establishment shall meet all requirements of the 1994 National Fire Prevention Association (NFPA) standards on incinerators, NFPA 82, Chapter 2. No such commercial or industrial incinerator shall, after the effective date of this section, be installed without a permit obtained from the Fire Chief. Any application for a permit shall contain sufficient information to identify that said commercial or industrial incinerator and the area upon which is shall be constructed shall meet the NFPA standards. The Fire Chief shall inspect the final installation and thereafter issue a certificate of acceptance.~~
- ~~C.—Violations and penalties. Any person, which shall include but not be limited to an individual or individuals, partnership or corporation, who shall violate the provisions of this section, shall, upon conviction by a District Justice with appropriate jurisdiction, be subject to a fine or penalty up to \$600. Each separate violation of Subsection A or B shall constitute a separate offense. Further, Latrobe may, in addition to seeking a fine or penalty pursuant to this provision, invoke any and all other remedies at law or equity to eliminate said violation.~~

~~§ 279-9. Permit requirements for new materials, processes and occupancies.~~

~~The Mayor of Latrobe, the Fire Chief and the Code Enforcement Officer shall act as a committee to~~

~~determine and specify, after giving affected persons an opportunity to be heard, any new materials, processes or occupancies which shall require permits, in addition to those enumerated in said code. The Fire Chief and the Code Enforcement Officer shall post such list in a conspicuous place in their respective offices and distribute copies thereof to interested persons. Before these permits shall take effect they shall be approved by the Council of Latrobe in accordance with Chapter 98, Administration and Enforcement, § 98-8, providing for the enactment of rules and regulations under this code.~~

**~~§ 279-10. Additional rules and regulations.~~**

~~All other rules and regulations formulated for this chapter under Chapter 98, Administration and Enforcement, § 98-8, shall be made by the Fire Chief and the Code Enforcement Officer, under the auspices of the Fire Committee of the Council, and shall take effect only after the requirements of Chapter 98, Administration and Enforcement, § 98-8, have been complied with.~~

**~~§ 279-11. Emergency action.~~**

~~In the event that the Fire Chief determines that an emergency condition exists or that a violation of this chapter has produced an emergency condition, the notice requirements provided for in Chapter 98, Administration and Enforcement, are hereby waived, and the Fire Chief is authorized to use any authority which he has under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or of any past ordinance of Latrobe not in conflict with this chapter to alleviate the emergency and to halt any violation of this chapter.~~

**~~§ 279-12. Interpretation.~~**

~~If any provision of this chapter is found to be in conflict with any provision of Chapter 166, Zoning, or the Building (Chapter 108), Plumbing (Chapter 147), Housing (Chapter 132) or Electrical (Chapter 121) Codes of Latrobe in force on the effective date of this chapter, the provision which establishes the highest standard for the promotion and protection of the health and safety of the people shall prevail.~~

**~~§ 279-13. Title.~~**

~~This chapter shall be known hereafter as the "Latrobe Fire Prevention Code."~~

## **§ 279-1. Adoption of standards.**

The Council of the City of Latrobe hereby adopts and incorporates in its Code of Ordinances all references to National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) codes and standards, which shall be to the most recent edition, including but not limited to all NFPA fire prevention, life-safety, and fire-protection system standards adopted by reference throughout this Code. Except as amended, modified, or deleted by §§ 279-4 through 279-13, all such NFPA codes and standards shall apply. There is also adopted by the City of Latrobe by reference as a part of this chapter any and all supplements, modifications and revised editions issued by the National Fire Protection Association subsequent to the date of this chapter.

- A. NFPA 1 – Fire Code (2024)
- B. NFPA 101 – Life Safety Code (2024)
- C. NFPA 72 – National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code (2025)
- D. NFPA 13 – Standard for Installation of Sprinkler Systems (2022-2025)
- E. NFPA 25 – Inspection, Testing, & Maintenance of Water-Based Fire Protection Systems (2026)
- F. NFPA 70 – National Electrical Code (2023)

## **§ 279-2. Administration and enforcement.**

There is hereby adopted within this chapter all of the provisions and sections of Chapter 98, Administration and Enforcement, regulating the administration and enforcement of Chapter 279, the City of Latrobe Fire Prevention Code.

## **§ 279-3. Definitions.**

## **§ 279-4. Amendments to standards.**

The Latrobe Fire Prevention Code is amended and changed in the following respects:

- A. Whenever the Fire Chief or any of his properly authorized inspectors under National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) codes and standards of the most recently adopted edition shall find in any building or upon any premises dangerous or hazardous conditions or materials as hereafter listed, he shall report such conditions to the Code Enforcement Officer, who shall serve notice on the owner, operator or occupant as is prescribed in Chapter 98, Administration and Enforcement.
- B. The services of all notices of violations shall be made as is prescribed in Chapter 98, Administration and Enforcement.
- C. All applications for permits required by National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) codes and standards shall be made to the Code Enforcement Officer, with the exception that applications for permits governing the storage of gasoline and permits required for burning shall be made to the Fire Department. All applications for permits shall be made in such form and detail as these offices shall prescribe and shall be accompanied by such plans as is required by said offices.
- D. Revocation of all permits shall be made as per the notice requirements of Chapter 98, Administration and Enforcement, and shall be made by the Code Enforcement Officer when he has been notified by the Fire Chief or one of his authorized inspectors that a violation of this code has occurred.
- E. At automotive service stations, storage tanks containing Class I or Class II liquids installed of necessity in accordance with National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) codes and standards shall not exceed 8,000 gallons' individual or 24,000 gallons' aggregate capacity.
- F. Tanks shall be built of steel except as provided in National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) codes and standards. All steel tanks must be Harco SRC System or a comparable system and

installed in accordance with manufacturer's regulations. In lieu of steel tanks, fiberglass tanks may be used, provided that the same meet the requirements of with National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) codes and standards.

G. In addition to all other requirements of this Fire Prevention Code, every self-service filling station located in the City of Latrobe shall comply with the following regulations:

- (1) There shall be installed on each service island a total suppression system designed by a suppression system engineer comparable or equivalent to or better than the Walter Kidde Fire Suppression Systems and approved by the Fire Chief of the City of Latrobe or such other person as may be designated by the Fire Chief or City of Latrobe Council from time to time.
- (2) The fire suppression system shall have an automatic firing capability and also a manual firing capability from the service island and from the control point in the self-service station and not more distant than 10 feet from the attendant in the self-service station.
- (3) There shall also be installed for each self-service station a fire alarm box and an audio and visual alarm, self-energized, located on the exterior of the structure of the station and so installed to activate automatically if there is a firing of the suppression system either automatically or manually.
- (4) There shall also be installed a manual pull station located at the control desk at the control point of the station and not more distant than 10 feet from the attendant on duty.
- (5) Any service station offering full service with attendant or combination of full service and attendant and self-service which after the effective date of this subsection, replaces or renews pump islands, storage tanks or supply lines to dispensing pumps must install an overhead suppression system as specified in this subsection covering all islands the same as required for self-service stations and be fully automatic as set forth herein.
- (6) Each such suppression system must be tested with an appropriate live test after installation and prior to approval and thereafter at least once in each five years or more frequently as requested by the Fire Chief, as the Fire Chief may reasonably deem appropriate or necessary.
- (7) The provisions of this subsection shall apply to all new and existing self-service and full-service stations in the City of Latrobe.
- (8) All existing stations in the City of Latrobe shall comply with the provisions of this subsection on or before July 1, 1990.

**§ 279-5. Limits of district in which storage of explosives and blasting agents is prohibited.**

Storage of explosives and blasting agents is prohibited within the limits of the City of Latrobe without a permit signed by the Code Enforcement Officer and the Fire Chief.

**§ 279-6. Limits of district in which storage of flammable liquids in outside aboveground tanks is prohibited.**

There is hereby established as the district that flammable liquids may be stored in outside aboveground tanks the following:

- A. The storage of flammable liquids is prohibited everywhere within the City of Latrobe except those areas that are within industrial zones, and these only with a permit signed by the Code Enforcement Officer and the Fire Chief.

- B. New bulk plants for flammable or combustible liquids are prohibited everywhere within the City of Latrobe except those areas that are within industrial zones, and these only with a permit signed by the Code Enforcement Officer and the Fire Chief.

**§ 279-7. Limits of district in which bulk storage of liquefied petroleum gas is restricted.**

Bulk storage of liquified petroleum gas is prohibited everywhere within the City of Latrobe except those areas that are within industrial zones, and these only with a permit signed by the Code Enforcement Officer and the Fire Chief.

**§ 279-8. Incinerators.**

- A. Prohibition of residential incinerators. No device or apparatus utilized for the process of burning shall be used as an incinerator for the burning of refuse materials. It shall not be unlawful for any furnace, wood-burning stove or fireplace to be utilized for the burning of traditional fossil fuels, including but not limited to oil, coal, gas or wood, for the purpose of home heating; provided, further, however, that the burning of any solid materials during late spring, summer or early fall when the temperature shall be 65° or greater shall be deemed for the purpose of incinerating and shall not be deemed for the purpose of home heating.
- B. Regulation of commercial/industrial incinerators. Any incinerator utilized in a commercial or industrial establishment shall meet all requirements of the National Fire Prevention Association (NFPA) standards on incinerators. No such commercial or industrial incinerator shall, after the effective date of this section, be installed without a permit obtained from the Fire Chief. Any application for a permit shall contain sufficient information to identify that said commercial or industrial incinerator and the area upon which is shall be constructed shall meet the NFPA standards. The Fire Chief shall inspect the final installation and thereafter issue a certificate of acceptance.
- C. Violations and penalties. Any person, which shall include but not be limited to an individual or individuals, partnership or corporation, who shall violate the provisions of this section, shall, upon conviction by a District Justice with appropriate jurisdiction, be subject to a fine or penalty up to \$600. Each separate violation of Subsection A or B shall constitute a separate offense. Further, the City of Latrobe may, in addition to seeking a fine or penalty pursuant to this provision, invoke any and all other remedies at law or equity to eliminate said violation.

**§ 279-9. Permit requirements for new materials, processes and occupancies.**

The Mayor of the City of Latrobe, the Fire Chief and the Code Enforcement Officer shall act as a committee to determine and specify, after giving affected persons an opportunity to be heard, any new materials, processes or occupancies which shall require permits, in addition to those enumerated in said code. The Fire Chief and the Code Enforcement Officer shall post such list in a conspicuous place in their respective offices and distribute copies thereof to interested persons. Before these permits shall take effect they shall be approved by the Council of the City of Latrobe in accordance with Chapter 98, Administration and Enforcement, § 98-8, providing for the enactment of rules and regulations under this code.

**§ 279-10. Additional rules and regulations.**

All other rules and regulations formulated for this chapter under Chapter 98, Administration and Enforcement, § 98-8, shall be made by the Fire Chief and the Code Enforcement Officer, under the auspices of the Fire Committee of the Council, and shall take effect only after the requirements of Chapter 98, Administration and Enforcement, § 98-8, have been complied with.

**§ 279-11. Emergency action.**

In the event that the Fire Chief determines that an emergency condition exists or that a violation of this chapter has produced an emergency condition, the notice requirements provided for in Chapter 98, Administration and Enforcement, are hereby waived, and the Fire Chief is authorized to use any authority which he has under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania or of any past ordinance of the City of Latrobe not in conflict with this chapter to alleviate the emergency and to halt any violation of this chapter.

**§ 279-12. Interpretation.**

If any provision of this chapter is found to be in conflict with any provision of Chapter 166 Zoning, Chapter 132 Property Maintenance, Chapter 117 Construction Codes, Uniform, the provision which establishes the highest standard for the promotion and protection of the health and safety of the people shall prevail.

**§ 279-13. Title.**

This chapter shall be known hereafter as the "City of Latrobe Fire Prevention Code."