

PUBLIC SAFETY AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

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ORDINANCE NO. 15-2026

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING IN PART AND SUPPLEMENTING PART FIFTEEN,  
CHAPTER 1501 "OHIO FIRE CODE" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE  
VILLAGE OF LORDSTOWN AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

**WHEREAS**, the Fire Chief and Safety Committee of the Village of Lordstown have recommended that to assure compliance with the Ohio State Fire Code, the Village of Lordstown Fire Department should conduct annual inspections of each commercial and industrial business within the Village; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council of the Village of Lordstown concurs with the Fire Chief and Safety Committee that the Village Fire Department should conduct annual inspections of each commercial and industrial business located within the Village.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF LORDSTOWN, COUNTY OF TRUMBULL, STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section I:** That Chapter 1501 Ohio Fire Code of the Codified Ordinances of the Village of Lordstown is hereby amended by **revising** Section 1501.13 "Fire Code Inspections" to read:

PART FIFTEEN – Fire Prevention Code  
Chapter 1501  
Ohio Fire Code

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CHAPTER 1501  
Ohio Fire Code

1501.01	Adoption.	1501.10	Fire equipment sale or use; certification of installers.
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1501.06	Posting arson laws.	1501.15	Fire lanes.
1501.07	Setting fires which spread.	1501.99	Penalty.
1501.08	Unfriendly fires in buildings; alarm duties.		
1501.09	Disclosure of true Fire Safety Inspector status.		

## CROSS REFERENCES

See sectional histories for similar State law  
Appeals of order – see Ohio R.C. 119.12  
State certification of firefighters – see Ohio R.C. 737.08,  
737.22, 3737.33  
State certification of Fire Safety Inspectors – see Ohio R.C.  
3737.01(D), 3737.34  
Fire investigation – see Ohio R.C. 737.27, 3737.24 et seq.  
Entry and Inspection – see Ohio R.C. 3737.14, 3737.41, 3737.42  
Common Pleas Court jurisdiction – see Ohio R.C. 3737.44(A),  
3737.51(H)  
Ohio Fire Code – see Ohio R.C. 3737.82 et seq.; OAC Ch.  
1301:7-1 et seq.  
Fire extinguishing and alarm systems in rest and nursing  
homes – see Ohio R.C. 3721.071  
Self-service filling stations – see Ohio R.C. 3741.14  
Fireworks exhibitions – see Ohio R.C. 3743.50 et seq. 2006 Replacement

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### 1501.13 FIRE CODE INSPECTIONS.

(a) **Adoption.** The Village of Lordstown hereby adopts the 2025 Ohio Fire Code (OFC) as adopted by the Ohio Division of State Fire Marshal, Department of Commerce, effective November 1, 2025, and published in division 1301.7 of the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC).

(b) To assure compliance with the Ohio State Fire Code, the Village of Lordstown Fire Department shall conduct annual inspections of each commercial and industrial business located within the Village of Lordstown.

(c) The Assistant Fire Chief of the Lordstown Fire Department shall be appointed as the Municipal Fire Safety Inspector (Fire Code Official) for the Village of Lordstown.

(d) The Village Fire Chief and the Assistant Fire Chief, in consultation with the Safety Committee of Village Council, shall develop procedures and a protocol for conducting annual Ohio Fire Code inspections.


(e) The Lordstown Fire Chief and/or the Assistant Fire Chief may assess a fifty dollar (\$50.00) fee in addition to the penalties provided for in Section 1501.99 of the Ohio Administrative Code for inspections as a result in failure of a business to correct fire code violations.

**Section II:** That this Ordinance shall be effective upon passage by Council of the Village of Lordstown.

**Section III:** That this Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the public health, safety and welfare and for the further reason that this Ordinance must be enforced in a timely manner to ensure compliance with the Ohio State Fire Code and OAC.

**Section IV:** That the passage of this Ordinance and all deliberations relating to the passage of this Ordinance were held in open meetings in accordance with the provisions of Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22.

Passed in Council this 20 day of April, 2026.

  
\_\_\_\_\_, Mayor

  
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