

ORDINANCE 13-2022

**UNIFORM FIRE CODE ORDINANCE
AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR LOCAL ENFORCEMENT OF THE NEW
JERSEY UNIFORM FIRE CODE.**

WHEREAS, the Uniform Fire Safety Act, (P.L. 1983, c.383) was enacted for the purpose of establishing a system for the enforcement of minimum fire safety standards throughout the State of New Jersey; and

WHEREAS, the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs has promulgated minimum fire safety standards which have been made part of the Uniform Fire Code (N.J.A.C. 5:70.1 et seq.); and

WHEREAS, the Uniform Fire Safety Act authorizes municipalities to provide for local enforcement of these standards and to establish local enforcement agencies for that purpose; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Borough of Woodbury Heights to have the Uniform Fire Code enforced locally; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the governing body of the Borough of Woodbury Heights in the County of Gloucester and the State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. LOCAL ENFORCEMENT

Pursuant to Section 11 of the Uniform Fire Safety Act (P.L. 1983 c. 383), the New Jersey Uniform Fire Code (N.J.A.C. 5:70-1 et seq.) shall be locally enforced in the Borough of Woodbury Heights.

Section 2. AGENCY DESIGNATION

The local enforcing agency shall be the Gloucester County Fire Marshal's Office. The Gloucester County Fire Marshal's Office shall hereinafter be known as the local enforcing agency.

Section 3. DUTIES

(A) The local enforcing agency shall enforce the Uniform Fire Code in all buildings, structures, and premises within the established boundaries of the Borough of Woodbury Heights other than one- and two-unit owner-occupied dwellings used exclusively for dwelling purposes and buildings, structures, and premises owned or operated by the Federal Government, Interstate Agencies or the State.

The local enforcing agency shall faithfully comply with all the pertinent requirements of the Uniform Fire Safety Act and the Uniform Fire Code.

Section 4. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

The Borough of Woodbury Heights shall defer to the Gloucester County Fire Marshal's Office Ordinance for matters governing Organization, Appointments, Qualifications, Term of Office, Removal, Inspections of both Life Hazard Uses and Non-Life Hazard Uses, Permits and Inspection Fees, Board of Appeals, Enforcement, Violations and Penalties, and any other provisions of the Gloucester County Fire Marshal's Office Ordinance not otherwise inconsistent with this Ordinance. All previous violations cited by the [City of Woodbury] shall transfer to the Gloucester County Fire Marshal's Office to insure compliance continues.

Section 5. EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall be effective upon passage and publication as required by law as of this date of June 27th, 2022

BOROUGH OF WOODBURY HEIGHTS

By: William C. Packer
WILLIAM C. PACKER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

[Signature]
SHANNON ELTON, BOROUGH CLERK

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Ordinance was introduced at a Regular Meeting of Borough Council of the Borough of Woodbury Heights held on the 15th day of June 2022 and will be considered for final passage and adoption at a Special Meeting at which time any person interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard. Said meeting to be held on 27th day of June 2022, at the Borough Hall, 500 Elm Ave, Woodbury Heights, New Jersey.

[Signature]
SHANNON ELTON, BOROUGH CLERK