

Chapter 5

Code Enforcement

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Part 1**Uniform Construction Code****§5-101. Election to Administer and Enforce.**

Heidelberg Township hereby elects to administer and enforce the provisions of the Pennsylvania Construction Code Act, Act 45 of 1999, 35 P.S. §7210.101 *et seq.*, as amended from time to time, and its regulations.

(*Ord. 2004-2, 6/10/2004*)

§5-102. Adoption and Incorporation.

The Uniform Construction Code, contained in 34 Pa.Code, Chapters 401-405, as amended from time to time, is hereby adopted and incorporated herein by reference as the municipal building code of Heidelberg Township.

(*Ord. 2004-2, 6/10/2004*)

§5-103. Administration and Enforcement.

Administration and enforcement of the Code within Heidelberg Township shall be undertaken in any of the following ways as determined by from time to time by resolution:

- A. By the designation of one or more employees or agents of Heidelberg Township to serve as a municipal code official.
- B. By the retention of one or more construction code officials or third-party agencies to act on behalf of the Township.
- C. By agreement with one or more other municipalities for the joint administration and enforcement of this Act through an intermunicipal agreement.
- D. By entering into a contract with another municipality for the administration and enforcement of this Act on behalf of this Township.
- E. By entering into an agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry for plan review, inspections and enforcement of structures other than one-family or two-family dwelling units and utility and miscellaneous use structures.

(*Ord. 2004-2, 6/10/2004*)

§5-104. Board of Appeals.

A board of appeals shall be established by resolution of the Board of Supervisors of Heidelberg Township in conformity with the requirements of the relevant provisions of the Code, as amended from time to time, and for the purposes set forth therein. If at any time enforcement and administration is undertaken jointly with one or more other municipalities, said board of appeals shall be established by joint action of the participating municipalities.

(*Ord. 2004-2, 6/10/2004*)

§5-105. Fees.

Fees assessed by the Heidelberg Township for the administration and enforcement undertaken pursuant to this Part and the Code shall be established by the Board of Supervisors by resolution from time to time.

(Ord. 2004-2, 6/10/2004)

§5-106. Provisions That Equal or Exceed the Code.

All building code ordinances or portions of ordinances, which were adopted by Heidelberg Township on or before July 1, 1999, and which equal or exceed the requirements of the Code shall continue in full force and effect until such time as such provisions fail to equal or exceed the minimum requirements of the Code, as amended from time to time.

(Ord. 2004-2, 6/10/2004)

§5-107. Provisions That Are less than the Code.

All building code ordinances or portions of ordinances which are in effect as of the effective date of this Part and whose requirements are less than the minimum requirements of the Code are hereby amended to conform with the comparable provisions of the Code.

(Ord. 2004-2, 6/10/2004)

§5-108. Comprehensive List of Certified Codes Submitted by Designated Person.

All persons designated by the Board of Supervisors to conduct inspections required by the Township Municipal Building Code shall, no later than the first Monday in January, annually provide a comprehensive list of all codes for which he/she is currently certified to inspect, and the date(s) upon which each such certification shall be deemed to expire. Failure to furnish such list shall be treated as though a designated person has no such certifications and will only be permitted to inspect commercial matters for a period of 5 years, and/or noncommercial matters for a period of 3 years, from the date of Municipal Building Code shall have been initially adopted by the Board of Supervisors.

(Ord. 2004-2, 6/10/2004)

§5-109. Prior Provisions Not Governed by the Code.

All relevant ordinances, regulations and policies of Heidelberg Township not governed by the Code shall remain in full force and effect.

(Ord. 2004-2, 6/10/2004)