

## **Chapter 4**

### **Buildings**

#### **Part 1**

#### **Numbering of Buildings**

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**Part 1****Numbering of Buildings****§4-101. Definitions.**

The following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

*Code Enforcement Director*—the Director of Code Enforcement of the Township of Northampton.

*Fire Marshal*—the Fire Marshal of Northampton Township.

*Police Department*—the Northampton Township Police Department.

(*Ord. 231, 9/25/1985*)

**§4-102. Enforcement.**

The Code Enforcement Director, the Fire Marshal and the Police Department shall have the power and the duty to enforce the provisions of this Part.

(*Ord. 231, 9/25/1985*)

**§4-103. Applicability.**

All residential, commercial, industrial or other structures erected or to be erected within the Township of Northampton shall display identification numbers as provided herein and in accordance with the specifications provided herein.

(*Ord. 231, 9/25/1985*)

**§4-104. Numbering Requirements.**

1. The owner, occupant or lessee of each and every structure which now fronts or which may hereafter front upon any public or private street or highway within the Township of Northampton who has been assigned a street number prior to the effective date of this Part shall, at his own expense, within 60 days after the effective date of this Part, cause the authorized and assigned number of such structure to be permanently and conspicuously placed in accordance with the specifications set forth herein. Any owner who has not been assigned a number prior to the effective date of this Part shall, within 60 days after notice of assignment of such number, comply with the requirements of this Section.

2. *Specifications.* Street numbers shall be:

A. In Arabic numerals.

B. A minimum height of 4 inches with a minimum stroke width of ½ inch, except as provided in subsection .3 of this Section. [*Ord. 561*]

C. Placed upon a mailbox, post or other type of man-made fixture of substantial nature, excluding curbs at the vehicular entrance to the premises.

D. Sufficiently legible as to contrasting background, arrangement, spacing and uniformity so as to be clearly visible from the street.

3. *Placing Numbers on a Building.* If the posting of the assigned building number under subsection .2 would not be feasible or practical, then regulations may be satisfied if the owner, occupant or lessee shall provide the Arabic numbers as required by these

regulations mounted in a secure fashion upon the front wall or porch of the building so as to be clearly visible from the street, at least 60 inches above ground level and so placed that trees, shrubs and other obstructions do not block the line of sight of the numbers from the street upon which the building fronts. When such a number is placed on a building, the minimum height of the Arabic numbers shall be 4 inches in height. [Ord. 561]

4. *Occupancy Permits.* Any structure erected, repaired, altered or modified after the effective date of this Part shall have the occupancy permit withheld until the assigned street number is affixed to said structure in accordance with this Part.

(Ord. 231, 9/25/1985; as amended by Ord. 561, 4/25/2012)

#### **§4-105. Violations and Penalties.**

Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part, upon conviction thereof in an action brought before a magisterial district judge in the manner provided for the enforcement of summary offenses under the Pennsylvania Rules of Criminal Procedure, shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than \$1,000 plus costs and, in default of payment of said fine and costs, to a term of imprisonment not to exceed 90 days. Each day that a violation of this Part continues or each Section of this Part which shall be found to have been violated shall constitute a separate offense.

(Ord. 231, 9/25/1985, as amended by Ord. 285, 2/22/1989; and by Ord. 561, 4/25/2012)