

Chapter 7 - CIVIL DEFENSE AND DISASTER RELIEF¹¹

Footnotes:

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State Law reference— See Code of Ala. 1975, §§ 31-9-1—31-9-23.

Sec. 7-1. - Definition.

As used in this chapter, the term "civil defense" shall include measures for the mobilization, organization and direction of the civilian population and necessary support agencies to prevent, or minimize, the effects of fire, flood, earthquake and epidemic, as well as the effects of a nuclear war, or any subversive activities against the populace, communities, industrial plants, facilities and other installations.

(Ord. No. 574, § 1, 11-1-60; Code 1980, § 7-1)

Sec. 7-2. - Civil defense organization—Composition.

Officers and employees of the municipality, with volunteer forces enrolled, to aid them during an emergency, and all groups, organizations and persons who make the agreements on operation of law, shall constitute the civil defense organization of the city, and are charged with duties necessary for the protection of life and property in the city during an emergency.

(Ord. No. 574, § 4, 11-1-60; Code 1980, § 7-2)

State Law reference— Local organizations authorized, Code of Ala. 1975, § 31-9-10.

Sec. 7-3. - Same—Powers and duties.

It shall be the duty of the municipal civil defense organization, and it is hereby empowered:

- (1) To develop a municipal civil defense operational survival plan. This plan shall provide for the effective mobilization of all resources of the municipality, both private and public.
- (2) To prepare and recommend for consideration by the city council ordinances necessary to implement the civil defense operational survival plan.
- (3) To consider and recommend to the city council for approval, all mutual aid plans and agreements.
- (4) Others as may be determined by the council.

(Ord. No. 574, § 2, 11-1-60; Code 1980, § 7-3)

Sec. 7-4. - Civil defense director.

There is hereby created the office of the municipal civil defense director. Such officer shall be nominated by the mayor, and approved by the city council. The civil defense director is hereby charged:

- (1) To represent the mayor on all matters pertaining to civil defense.

- (2) During periods of emergency to direct the services of all municipal civil defense forces.
- (3) To obtain and utilize cooperation of municipal officials in the preparation and implementation of all civil defense operational survival plans.
- (4) During period of emergency to obtain vital supplies and equipment needed for the protection of life and property of people.

(Ord. No. 574, § 5, 11-1-60; Code 1980, § 7-5)

State Law reference— Authority of city to appoint director, Code of Ala. 1975, § 31-9-10.

Sec. 7-5. - Volunteers.

All persons, other than officers and employees of the municipality, volunteering in service pursuant to compliance with this chapter shall serve with or without compensation. While engaged in such service they shall have the same immunities as persons and employees of the municipality performing similar duties.

(Ord. No. 574, § 6, 11-1-60; Code 1980, § 7-6)

State Law reference— Immunity and exemption of emergency management workers, Code of Ala. 1975, § 31-9-16.

Sec. 7-6. - Formulation of plan.

A complete and adequate civil defense operational survival plan will be formulated at once. This plan will be based upon plans formulated by and in the state operational survival plan.

(Ord. No. 574, § 6, 11-1-60; Code 1980, § 7-6)

Sec. 7-7. - Conflict of laws.

Where provisions of this chapter are in conflict with existing laws, the provisions of this chapter will govern, and such provision of existing laws, with which provisions of this chapter are in conflict, are hereby declared superseded.

(Ord. No. 574, § 7, 11-1-60; Code 1980, § 7-7)