

EXPLANATION: This Ordinance amends Chapter II of the Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Warren entitled "Administration" Section 2.4 Subsection 2-4.10 adding Fire Police Training Course Requirement

**TOWNSHIP OF WARREN
ORDINANCE NO. 13-15**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER II OF THE REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WARREN ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION" BY AMENDING THE TRAINING REQUIREMENTS OF THE FIRE POLICE MEMBERS

BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Warren in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey that Chapter II of *The Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Warren* entitled "Administration" is hereby amended as follows:

SECTION I. Section 2.4 entitled "Fire Department" is hereby amended by amending Subsection 2-4.10 entitled "Fire Police" to read as follows:

2-4.10 *Fire Police.* There shall be a division of the department known as the fire police who shall perform certain police duties at fires and fire drills. The fire police shall have such officers as it may establish by its own bylaws. Members of the fire police shall be appointed from among members of the department [or the CERT (civilian emergency response team) to perform certain police duties at fires and fire drills] who have successfully completed The New Jersey Fire Police Basic Training Course or an equivalent course approved by the New Jersey Division of Fire Safety. Fire police shall have a term of office not exceeding one year from the date of the appointment. Such members shall, before entering upon their duties, qualify by taking and subscribing an oath that they will justly, impartially and faithfully discharge their duties according to the best of their ability and understanding. Said oath shall be administered by the municipal clerk and subscribed to in [duplicate] triplicate. The original copy of said oath shall be filed with the municipal clerk and a copy thereof filed with the secretary of the fire company making such appointment.

Nothing herein contained shall give the fire police any right to supersede a duly authorized police officer. It shall be the duty of the fire police to perform their duties under the supervising of the fire officer in charge of the fire or fire drill. Fire police shall have the ability to act in the township where appointed, or in another jurisdiction if activated with the

township fire department through a mutual aid request. The duties of the fire police, subject to the supervision aforesaid, shall be to: (1) protect property and contents; (2) establish and maintain fire lines; (3) perform such traffic duties as necessary from the fire station to and at the vicinity of the fire, fire drill or other emergency call, until the arrival of a duly authorized police officer; and (4) wear the authorized fire police badge on the left breast of the outermost garment while on duty.

SECTION II. If any article, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance and they shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION III In the event of any inconsistencies between the provisions of this Ordinance and any prior ordinance of the Township of Warren, the provisions hereof shall be determined to govern. All other parts, portions and provisions of *The Revised General Ordinances of the Township of Warren* are hereby ratified and confirmed, except where inconsistent with the terms hereof.

SECTION IV. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage and publication according to law.

Note to Codifier: Deleted provisions indicated by brackets [].

New provision indicated in underline _____.

ATTEST:


Patricia A. DiRocco, RMC
Township Clerk

TOWNSHIP OF WARREN

By: 
Victor J. Sordillo, Mayor

INTRODUCED May 16, 2013
ADOPTED June 13, 2013
EFFECTIVE June 20, 2013