ARKANSAS FIRE PREVENTION CODE®
2012 EDITION

VOLUME II

Based on the 2012 International Building Code®
TO THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

The Arkansas Fire Prevention Code ("AFPC" or "Fire Code" or "Code") 2012 edition, which supersedes the 2007 edition, has been developed to assist in preventing and controlling fires in and outside of structures in the State of Arkansas. The proper use of this Code can result in saving lives and property through the prevention of fires in our state.

I encourage Arkansas cities and counties to join with the Arkansas State Fire Marshal’s Office in our effort to enforce the AFPC by adopting the Fire Code as a local ordinance. The adoption of the AFPC 2012 edition is important, and it is my hope that every citizen will use this Code to their fullest advantage in fire prevention.

ORDER

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Director of the Department of Arkansas State Police by Section 6 of Act 254 of 1955 (A.C.A. §§ 12-13-105), as amended, I promulgate these rules for the prevention of fire hazards in the State of Arkansas. The rules are set out in detail in the copy attached hereto.


IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto affixed my signature as Director of the Department of Arkansas State Police this August 1, 2013.

[Signature]

Colonel Stan Witt
Director, Arkansas State Police and
Arkansas State Fire Marshal
FOREWORD

The Arkansas Fire Prevention Code was developed using the nationally and internationally recognized and accepted Interna-
tional Fire Code, International Building Code and International Residential Code, with revisions based on recommendations
from Arkansas-based subject matter experts.

There are countless individuals who contributed to the 2012 successful revision of the Arkansas Fire Prevention Code. The fol-
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The intent of the Arkansas Fire Prevention Code is to reduce the number of fires in Arkansas and reduce the number of other hazard-related concerns. The Arkansas Fire Prevention Code establishes minimum rules dealing with fire and building safety.

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Capt. Lindsey Williams
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State Police
STATE OF ARKANSAS
ARKANSAS FIRE PREVENTION CODE RULES
2012 EDITION
DEFINITIONS

These Rules are promulgated by the Director of the Department of Arkansas State Police, who serves by operation of law as the Arkansas State Fire Marshal under the authority granted by Arkansas Act 254 of 1955, codified at A.C.A. §§ 12-13-101 to A.C.A. §§12-13-116, as amended. The purpose of these Rules is to aid in the implementation, interpretation and enforcement of the Arkansas Fire Prevention Code (AFPC), 2012 edition.


The following shall be defined as:

INTERNATIONAL PLUMBING CODE shall mean the Arkansas State Plumbing Code.

INTERNATIONAL PRIVATE SEWAGE DISPOSAL CODE is replaced by “Arkansas Department of Health Rules Pertaining to Onsite Wastewater Systems.”

INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE shall mean the Arkansas State Mechanical Code.

INTERNATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE shall mean the Arkansas State Gas Code.

INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE shall mean the Arkansas Energy Code.

INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE shall mean the Arkansas Fire Prevention Code, Volume I.

INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE shall mean the Arkansas Fire Prevention Code, Volume II.

INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE shall mean the Arkansas Fire Prevention Code, Volume III.

INTERNATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE shall mean the Arkansas (National) Electrical Code.

BUILDING OFFICIAL shall mean any governmental official having authority to enforce that aspect of the Code.

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