

**Chapter 8.12
Fire Districts**

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- 8.12.010 Fire district established.**

All that part of the village of Oakfield included within the following described territory shall be known as the fire district:

Commencing at the intersection of the centerline of Main Street and Gilson Street in said village, thence east on the centerline of Gilson Street to First Street, thence north on the centerline of First Street to Church Street to the centerline of Elm Street, thence south on centerline of Elm Street to the centerline of White Street, thence east on the centerline of White Street to the centerline of Main Street, thence south on the centerline of Main Street to the place of beginning.

(Prior code § 7.06(1))

8.12.020 Definitions.

The terms “fire-resistive construction”, “mill construction”, “ordinary construction”, “frame construction”, and “fire-retardant roof coverings” shall have the meaning as defined in the Wisconsin Administrative Code, Sections Ind. 51.001, 51.01 51.02, 51.03, and 51.07 of the Wisconsin State Building Code. (Prior code § 7.06(2))

8.12.030 Regulations within fire districts.

Requirements. Every building hereafter erected, enlarged or moved within or into the fire district shall be of fire-resistive mill or

ordinary construction, except as otherwise provided by this chapter. Enclosing walls, division walls and party walls shall be of four hour fire-resistive mill of a construction as provided in Section Ind. 51.05, Wisconsin Administrative Code, which is by reference made a part of this chapter with respect to all building and structures within the fire district.

A. Exceptions. No building of frame construction shall be constructed within or moved within or into the *fire* district except the following:

1. Buildings occupied as a private garage, not more than one story in height nor more than seven hundred fifty (750) square feet in area, located on the same lot with a dwelling; provided that any such building shall be placed at least three feet from the lot lines of adjoining property;

2. Buildings of frame construction, except when used for a high hazard occupancy, not exceeding two thousand five hundred (2,500) square feet in area when used for a business occupancy or one thousand (1,000) square feet in area when used for other occupancies, nor more than one story in height, and having a horizontal separation of not less than ten feet on all sides. Walls having a horizontal separation of less than ten feet shall have a fire-resistance rating of not less than one hour;

3. Greenhouses not more than fifteen (15) feet in height;

4. Sheds open on the long side, not more than fifteen (15) feet in height nor more than five hundred (500) square feet in area, located at least five feet from buildings and from adjoining lot lines;

5. Builders’ shanties for use only in connection with a duly authorized building operation. (Prior code § 7.06(3))

8.12.040 Bulk oil tanks prohibited.

The storage of Class I and Class II flammable liquids, as defined in Section Ind. 8.01 Wisconsin Administrative Code, in

aboveground tanks outside of buildings is prohibited within the fire district. (Prior code § 7.06(4))

8.12.050 Razing old or damaged buildings

Any existing building of frame construction within the fire limits which may hereafter be damaged by fire, or which has deteriorated to an amount greater than one-half of its value, exclusive of the foundation, as determined by the village assessor, shall not be repaired or rebuilt, but shall be ordered removed by the building inspector under the provisions of Section 66.05 of the Wisconsin Statutes. (Prior code § 7.06(5))

8.12.060 Fire retardant roofing.

A. Every roof hereafter constructed within the fire district, including buildings listed in Section 8.12.030 B, shall be covered with a roofing having a fire-resistive rating equivalent to Class "B" or better of the Underwriters Laboratories, Inc. classification in their "List of Inspected Materials", which is adopted by reference and incorporated in this section as if fully set forth herein.

B. No roofing on an existing roof shall be renewed or repaired to a greater extent than one tenth of the roof surface, except in conformity with the requirements of subsection A of this section. (Prior code § 7.06(6))

8.12.070 Enforcement of chapter.

The building inspector (or fire chief or other designated person) is authorized and it shall be his duty to enforce the provisions of this chapter. (Prior code § 7.06(7))