

# Hampshire IL Fire Protection District

## ORDINANCE NO. 99-05

### AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING REQUIREMENTS FOR FIRE COMMUNICATIONS ENHANCEMENT

#### **SYSTEMS**

WHEREAS, the Hampshire Fire Protection District (the "District") Kane and DeKalb Counties, Illinois, is a fire protection district duly organized pursuant to the laws of the State of Illinois; and WHEREAS, the District provides fire suppression and emergency services to both residents and non-residents of the District; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that it is in the best interest of the District to require communication enhancement systems to maintain reliable emergency radio communications within structures.

NOW THEREFORE, Be It Ordained by the Board of Trustees of the Hampshire Fire Protection District as follows:

SECTION ONE: Reliable emergency radio communications are critical for fire department operations. Lack of radio communications within a structure presents dangerous conditions which may cause or contribute to the spread of fire in said premises, building or structure, or endanger the occupants thereof.

When such dangerous conditions exist with radio communication equipment and/or response of the Fire Department a bi-directional radio amplification system shall be required to be installed within or on the building to insure a 95% reliability factor for radio use on each level or floor of said structure. This system will be designed to operate in conjunction with the equipment utilized by the Hampshire Fire Protection District.

SECTION TWO: When any required fire communication enhancement system is installed and becomes inadequate or inoperative thus affecting the fire safety of a building, structure or the occupants therein, the Fire Department shall order the system, unit, or device to be repaired or upgraded as necessary and returned to service or the building shall be immediately vacated until the inoperative system, unit, or device is repaired and returned to service acceptable to the fire department. It shall be the responsibility of the building owner or occupant to make repairs alterations or additions to maintain operability of the system.

SECTION THREE: Effective date. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

SECTION FOUR: Any Ordinance or Resolution, or part thereof, in conflict with this Ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent that it may conflict.

SECTION FIVE: If any phrase, sentence or paragraph of this Ordinance shall be found to be invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, said invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other phrase, sentence, or paragraph of this Ordinance.