Decision of the Municipal People's Government on Amending Several Provisions on the Fire Control Administration of Wuhan City

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The Municipal People's Government has decided to make the following amendments to the Several Provisions on the Fire Control Administration of Wuhan City:

1. The title of the document Several Provisions on the Fire Control Administration of Wuhan City is amended to Provisions on the Fire Control Administration of Wuhan City.

2. Add one article as Article 5: "Sub-district offices and township people's governments shall establish fire control organizations, clarify fire safety responsibilities, guarantee firefighting funds, carry out fire control supervision and inspection activities, organize fire control publicity and education, special fire control management and fire-fighting drills, urge rectification of fire hazards, assist fire rescue institutions in firefighting and rescue operations, and perform other firefighting responsibilities."

"Residents' committees and villagers' committees shall determine fire control managers to perform Fire control responsibilities."

3. Article 5 is renumbered as Article 6, and the first paragraph is amended to: "Wuhan City shall incorporate fire safety management into the grid-based community service management."

The third paragraph is changed to the second paragraph and amended as: "Sub-district offices and township people's governments shall organize community workers to carry out basic fire information collection, fire safety patrols, fire safety publicity and other work under the guidance of the fire rescue institutions, and record and report fire incidents in accordance with the regulations."

4. Article 6 shall be renumbered as Article 7, and the first paragraph shall be amended to: "The sub-district offices shall set up community miniature fire stations (emergency service stations), establish community volunteer fire brigades, equip them with public fire equipment and apparatus such as electric bicycles and motorcycles, strengthen joint logistics

support, joint training and joint operations with fire rescue institutions, establish communication dispatch networking, implement daily maintenance funding, and carry out duty, patrol, inspection and fire extinguishing disposal."

A paragraph shall be added as paragraph 3: "Sub-district offices and township people's governments shall provide appropriate subsidies, safety protection, transportation, meal allowances, etc. to the volunteer firefighters recruited and participating in firefighting and rescue in accordance with relevant regulations on volunteer service, and reward those with outstanding contributions."

5. An article shall be added as Article 8: "The people's governments at all levels in Wuhan City shall, in accordance with the provisions, establish full-time government fire brigades, incorporate the construction funds, personnel funds and daily operation funds of the full-time government fire brigades into the financial budget at the corresponding level, ensure that the salaries and benefits of the full-time government fire brigade personnel are not lower than the average wage of the on-the-job staff of the public institutions in the urban area of Wuhan City in the previous year, and establish a dynamic adjustment mechanism based on the economic and social development level of Wuhan City."

6. Article 7 shall be renumbered as Article 9, and one

item is added to the second paragraph as the fourth item: "(4) Establish fire control organizations such as full-time fire brigades or voluntary fire brigades in accordance with regulations."

7. Article 17 shall be renumbered as Article 10 and amended as: "Government miniature fire stations shall be established in the following places or areas outside the protection radius of the fire rescue station to undertake firefighting and rescue work within the designated service area:

"(1) Personnel-dense places determined by fire control and rescue institutions;

"(2) Construction projects with a floor area of 500,000m²;

(3) Business entities and industrial parks engaged in the production, storage, and operation of flammable and explosive hazardous materials.

"The fire-specific planning and construction standards for the miniature government fire stations shall be formulated by the municipal fire rescue institution in conjunction with the municipal development and reform department and natural resources planning department, and shall be implemented after being approved by the municipal people's government." The specific planning shall be incorporated into the land and space planning in accordance with the regulations. The miniature government fire stations shall be uniformly constructed by the municipal fire rescue institutions in accordance with the firespecific planning and construction standards, and special funds for their construction shall be included in the municipal and district financial budgets. "

8. One article is added as Article 11: "The following key entities of fire safety shall establish miniature fire stations in accordance with the construction standards to undertake the fire-fighting and rescue work within the entities:

"(1) Commercial complexes with a total floor area of more than $200,000 \text{ m}^2$;

"(2) Production and processing enterprises with a total floor area of more than $500,000m^2$ that produce and store flammable and combustible materials;

"(3) Logistics parks covering an area of more than $150,000 \text{ m}^2$;

"(4) Schools with an area of more than 1 million m^2 ;

"(5) Other places with high fire risk that are deemed necessary to establish miniature fire stations after assessment and evaluation by fire and rescue authorities.

"Miniature fire stations shall carry out fire prevention and control activities such as the fire inspections and initial firefighting within their respective entities, and accept the dispatch command and business guidance from fire and rescue authorities. The construction standards of miniature fire stations shall be formulated by the municipal fire and rescue authority and announced to the public. "

9. Article 8 is renumbered as Article 12, and a paragraph is added as paragraph 3: "Other entities are encouraged to use Internet of Things technology to improve the efficiency of autonomous fire safety management and connect to Wuhan City fire remote monitoring network platform."

10. Article 9 is renumbered as Article 13, and Item 1 of Paragraph 1 is amended to: "Establish fire fire safety management institutions, implement fire safety management systems, build entity fire and rescue teams, and equip personnel and fire equipment suitable for urban rail transit development;"

An item is added as the second item: "(2) Construct a digital wireless communication system for rail transit fire-fighting and rescue, gradually integrate it into the city's fire-fighting and rescue digital wireless communication system, and operate under the guidance and management of fire-fighting and rescue institutions;"

11. Article 10 is renumbered as Article 14, and "having the relevant qualifications" in the first paragraph is amended to "qualified".

12. Article 16 is renumbered as Article 18, and in the first paragraph, add at the beginning: "Except for underground

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constructures built separately".

13. Article 18 shall be renumbered as Article 19, and a paragraph shall be added as the first paragraph: "Residential areas shall designate centralized parking and charging sites for electric bicycles in accordance with relevant fire safety management regulations. Support should be provided for qualified old residential communities to build centralized parking and charging sites for electric bicycles. Installation of intelligent control systems and other facilities prohibiting electric bicycles from entering elevators should be encouraged."

The first paragraph is renumbered as the second paragraph, and "parking lot" shall be changed to "centralized parking and charging stations for electric bicycles".

14. An article is added as Article 24: "Technical service institutions or professionals can be engaged to provide technical services such as testing of fire-fighting facilities, fire safety assessment, fire loss appraisal, and technical analysis of fire accidents for tasks including fire supervision inspection, fire accident investigation, fire publicity and training. Technical service institutions or professionals shall be responsible for the opinions or reports they issue."

15. One article is added as Article 25: "For fires resulting in casualties and major social impacts, the municipal and district people's governments shall investigate the causes,

summarize lessons, and determine responsibilities. If necessary, they may directly or indirectly authorize the fire rescue agencies at the corresponding level to organize departments including emergency, public security, natural resources planning, urban and rural construction, and housing management to set up a fire accident investigation team for investigation. "

"Based on identifying the cause of fire, the fire accident investigation team shall investigate the inducing factors of the fire, causative factors of the disaster, and relevant factors such as fire prevention and extinguishing technologies. It shall also investigate the responsibilities of various stakeholders including users, managers, construction projects, intermediary services, quality of fire products, and fire safety supervision. It shall analyze and identify fire risks, loopholes and weak links in fire safety management, and propose improvement measures to urge relevant departments, industries and entities to discover problems for rectification and pursue responsibilities."

16. An article shall be added as Article 27: "For violations of the Provisions where laws, regulations and rules already have penalty provisions, those provisions shall prevail."

17. Article 26 is renumbered as Article 28. In Paragraph 1, "order to make corrections" is amended to "order to make corrections within a certain period", and "impose a fine of not less than RMB10,000 but not more than RMB30,000" is

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amended to "impose a fine of not less than RMB1,000 but not more than RMB5,000".

The third item is renumbered to the second item, and the following is deleted: "or failing to entrust an institution with the corresponding qualifications to conduct fire safety assessment".

18. Article 27 is renumbered as Article 29, and "can be concurrently fined not less than RMB100 but not more than RMB500" in Paragraph 3 is amended to "can be fined up to RMB500".

19. Delete the second paragraph of Article 5, the second paragraph of Article 6, the second paragraph of Article 11; delete Article 13, Article 14, Article 23, Article 25; and delete the second item in the first paragraph of Article 26.

In addition, due to institutional reform and other reasons, changes have been made to the names of relevant entities, and certain adjustments and modifications have been made to the sequence and wording of specific articles.

This Decision shall come into force as of May 1st, 2022.

Several Provisions on the Fire Control Administration of Wuhan City (Order of the Municipal People's Government No. 249) shall be revised according to this Decision and repromulgated.