

ORDINANCE BILL NO. 39 FOR 1941

ORDINANCE NO. 558

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO NATIONAL DEFENSE, PROVIDING FOR OBSERVANCE OF BLACKOUTS OR OTHER RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED BY CIVIL AUTHORITIES OR BY THE ARMY OR NAVY OF THE UNITED STATES, PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LEBANON DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to refuse or neglect to comply with such orders as may be issued from time to time relating to civil conduct, and particularly as the same relates to orders for blackouts, restricted use of motor vehicles, and other such orders promulgated by civil authorities or by the Army or Navy of the United States, or both. During any period of blackout it shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to wilfully refuse or neglect to obey any of the following rules and regulations, or to wilfully refuse or neglect to obey any lawful order of the civil or military or naval authorities, or of the regularly or especially appointed officers charged with the enforcement of the rules and regulations governing blackouts.

The following general provisions shall apply:

IF AT HOME, IN A HOTEL ROOM OR APARTMENT

1. Turn out all exterior lights.
2. Permit no lighting in the house, room, or apartment to be visible from the exterior.
3. If windows cannot be obscured with dark materials, turn off lights, but do not use main switch.
4. Obtain information from radio.
5. Managers of hotels and apartment houses shall be responsible for exterior lighting.

MOTOR VEHICLES

1. Upon the issuance of blackout signal, all private

motor vehicles in operation shall be immediately brought to a stop at the curb, all lights turned off, and all occupants shall walk - not run - to a place of safety.

2. Motor vehicles shall not be parked in front of fire exit, fire plug, hospital entrance, street intersection, or away from the curb.
3. All emergency vehicles shall be equipped with lights in accordance with blackout regulations promulgated by proper authorities and authorized.

STORES, MANUFACTURING AND INDUSTRIAL PLANTS

1. A district watchman, or some other person, shall be on duty during blackouts.
2. All exterior lights, including signs, shall be turned out.
3. Interior lights shall not be visible from the exterior.

IF UNAVOIDABLY OUTDOORS

1. Proceed with caution. Keep to the right. Do not run - walk to the nearest place of safety. Use extreme caution in crossing a street. Carry a flashlight, pointed downward when in use.

POLICE RESERVE OFFICERS FOR CIVILIAN DEFENSE

1. Members of the Police Reserve for Civilian Defense shall be appointed as provided by the Charter, or according to the rules promulgated by the civil authorities, Army, or Navy of the United States, or both; shall report for duty from time to time at the order of the Chief of Police or the commanding officer of the Police Reserve for Civilian Defense; and shall hold said appointment only at the will of said authorities.
2. Every member of the Police Reserve for Civilian Defense, before entering upon his duties, shall take the oath of office; shall receive an identification card signed by the Mayor and City Recorder under the seal of the City of Lebanon, and, when available, shall also receive an arm band identification, and shall give a receipt therefor.
3. Upon being relieved of his duties and appointment, every member of the Police Reserve for Civilian Defense shall surrender his card, or arm band identification, or both, and take up his receipt therefor.
4. No member of the Police Reserve for Civilian Defense shall carry a firearm or other deadly

weapon without permission of the regularly constituted officers of the Police Reserve.

Nothing contained in the above rules shall be deemed a limitation upon the authority of the civil, military, or naval authorities to impose other and additional rules and regulations.

SECTION 2. Any person, firm, or corporation violating any of the provisions of Section 1 shall, upon conviction thereof in the Municipal Court, be punished by a fine not exceeding \$100.00 or by imprisonment in the City jail not exceeding 50 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

SECTION 3. Inasmuch as this ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health, peace, and safety of the people of the City of Lebanon in this: in the furtherance of the public welfare, it is necessary that immediate steps be taken to enforce blackout and other regulations; therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by the Council and approval by the Mayor.

Passed by the Council and approved by the Mayor this 16th day of December, 1941.

ATTEST:

Geo. H. Rausch
CITY RECORDER

J. C. Zumbick
MAYOR
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