

**Borough of Northumberland  
Ordinance No. 2005-6**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF NORTHUMBERLAND REGARDING  
THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY;**

WHEREAS, each political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has been given the authority by the Emergency Management Services Code to establish a local emergency management agency, and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the Borough that the establishment, powers, and duties of an emergency management agency be codified for the Borough by this Ordinance,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED AND ORDAINED by the Borough of Northumberland, Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, and it is hereby enacted and ordained as follows:

"Section 6. EMA" shall be added and read as follows:

**Section 6-1. Authority.**

The Emergency Management Agency, "EMA", is established pursuant to the provisions of the Emergency Management Services Code.

**Section 6-2. General Duties and Responsibilities.**

The EMA shall have the responsibility to provide for emergency management and disaster response and recovery within the Borough and outside the Borough as required by the terms and conditions of this Ordinance.

**Section 6-3. Borough Coordinator of Emergency Management.**

- a) In accordance with Title 35 of the Pennsylvania Code, a Borough Coordinator is appointed by the Governor upon the recommendation of the Mayor and Borough Council.
- b) The Coordinator shall be professionally competent and capable of planning, effecting coordination among operating agencies of government and controlling coordinated operations.
- c) The duties and responsibilities of the Borough Coordinator are outlined in Chapter 75 of Title 35 of the Pennsylvania Code.
- d) Title 35 of the Pennsylvania Code Section 7502 establishes that the training of the Borough Emergency Coordinator is the responsibility of the County Emergency Management Office. The Borough Coordinator can attend classes through the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency.
- e) When responding to an emergency, the Borough EMA Coordinator may siren and, to the extent permitted by state law, run red lights.

- f) The Borough EMA Coordinator shall live within the Borough of Northumberland or Point Township.
- g) The Borough Council shall review the Borough EMA Coordinator every 4 years and determine whether the Coordinator should continue in his position or to recommend to the Governor a new appointee.
- h) The Borough Council shall have the power to replace the Coordinator and recommend to the Governor a new appointee at any time.

**Section 6-4. Assistants to the Borough Coordinator.**

- a) The Borough Coordinator may have two assistants to assist the Borough Coordinator in the administration of their functions, powers and duties.
- b) The assistants must be approved by the Borough Council per the recommendation of the Borough EMA Coordinator.
- c) The terms of the assistants shall be 4 years, with approval needed every 4 years by the Borough Council for each assistant.
- d) Should an assistant resign, another assistant should be approved to fill the remainder of the term.
- e) An assistant should be a resident of the Borough or Point Township.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED into an Ordinance this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2005 by the Borough Council in the lawful session duly assembled.

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF NORTHUMBERLAND

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Secretary

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President, Borough Council

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2005.

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Mayor