

North Wilkesboro Firefighters Respond To 2 House Fires Sunday

The North Wilkesboro Fire Department responded to two different residential fires Sunday afternoon. There were no injuries in either fire.

On F Street

The first fire, in a small wooden frame house at 906 F Street, started from a short in an electrical wire connected to a kitchen light, said North Wilkesboro Fire Chief Jimmy Martin.

The fire damaged a ceiling area, but Martin said firefighters extinguished the blaze before it caused substantial damage.

The home was identified as belonging to Annette Hamby.

The American Red Cross assisted two adults as a result of the fire.

Second fire

North Wilkesboro firefighters were dispatched to a second blaze, off Armory Road near the cattle sale barn, at 3:45 p.m. Sunday.

Martin said the fire was in a modular home and apparently started from a lit cigarette being left on a sofa.

He said a woman who lives in the house reported that she was taking a bath after sitting on a sofa in the den while smoking when she smelled smoke. Martin said fire damage was worst in the area that includes the sofa.

With fire, smoke and water damage, said Martin, the residence was virtually destroyed.

Jane Nichols was identified as the owner.