



Fire Inspection Notice

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NEW BUS.	<input type="checkbox"/>	Return to	<input type="checkbox"/>
HAZMAT	<input type="checkbox"/>	Station File	<input type="checkbox"/>

District	FD Shift	Occupancy Class / Building Use	Business License # Posted? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	No Business License <input type="checkbox"/>
Site/Building Address	Unit/Suite	Certificate of Occupancy Posted? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Knox Box and Keys <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ed Yes <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	
Business Name	Phone	Sprinkler System Test Current Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	Date Service Due Mo. Yr.	
Emergency Contact 1/Title	Phone	Cell Phone	Email Address	
Emergency Contact 2/Title	Phone	Cell Phone	Email Address	
Violation Corrected <input type="checkbox"/>	Emergency Contact 3/Title	Phone	Cell Phone	Email Address

CHECK EACH VIOLATION THAT APPLIES – MAKE SURE THAT ALL CORRECTIONS ARE COMPLETED BEFORE ABATING.

<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	A. FIRE EXTINGUISHERS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4. Extension cords shall not extend through walls, floors, ceilings, or under doors. CFC 605.5
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1. Service fire extinguishers annually. C.C.R. T19, 575.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5. Power taps/surge protectors shall be connected directly to an outlet. CFC 605.4.2
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2. General Business – Provide at least one 2-A10BC or larger extinguisher within 75' of travel. CFC 906	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	6. Extension cords shall be maintained in good condition without splices, deterioration or damage. CFC 605.5.3
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	3. Provide additional extinguishers as needed for special hazards. CFC Table 906.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	7. Open junction boxes and open-wiring splices shall be prohibited. Approved covers shall be provided for all switch and electrical outlet boxes. CFC 605.6
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	B. FIRE PROTECTION & ALARM SYSTEMS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	F. WEED ABATEMENT, HOUSEKEEPING & STORAGE
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1. Fire hydrant systems shall be subject to periodic tests. Systems shall be maintained in an operative condition at all times and shall be repaired where defective. CFC 507.5.2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1. Vegetation growth that is capable of being ignited and endangering property shall be cut down and removed by owner or occupant of the premises. CFC 304.1.2
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2. Inspection, testing, and maintenance. Fire detection, alarm, and extinguishing systems shall be maintained in an operative condition at all times. CFC 901.6	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2. Oily rags shall be kept in metal containers with tight fitting lids. Empty containers daily. CFC 304.3.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	3. Maintain access to and remove obstructions to fire protection equipment and systems. CFC 912.3	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	3. Outside storage of combustible materials shall not be located within 10 feet of a property line. Separation distance is allowed to be reduced to 3 feet for storage not exceeded 6 feet in height. CFC 315.3
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	4. FDC missing caps/damaged/obstructed. CFC 912	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	4. Reduce indoor storage height to at least 24 inches below ceilings (in nonsprinklered buildings) or 18 inches below sprinklers. CFC 315.2.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5. Service fixed fire suppression systems semi-annually (Dry/Wet Chemical, Halon, CO ₂). CFC 904.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5. Dumpsters shall not be placed near openings or under roof eaves, unless protected by fire sprinklers. CFC 315.3.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	6. Kitchen hoods, grease-removal devices, fans, ducts, and other accessories shall be cleaned at intervals as required. CFC 609.3.3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	G. FIRE DOORS & WALLS
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	7. Test fire alarm systems annually. CFC 907.9	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1. Fire doors shall not to be obstructed altered or removed. Fire doors shall not be held open by doorstops or other unapproved means. CFC 703.2
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	C. EXITS & AISLES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2. Fire doors shall be self-closing or automatic closing. CFC 703.2.2, 703.2.3
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1. Remove storage and obstructions from exits, aisles, corridors, and stairways. CFC 1003.6	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	3. Roll-up and sliding fire doors shall be tested yearly by the owner for proper operation. Maintain written record. CFC 703.4
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2. The means of egress, including the exit discharge shall be illuminated at all times the building is occupied. CFC 1006.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	4. Repair required fire resistant doors, firewalls or ceilings. CFC 703.1
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	3. Horizontal sliding or vertical security grills are permitted in Group B, F, M & S Groups at the main exit and shall be operable from the inside without the use of a key or special knowledge or effort. CFC 1008.1.4.5	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	H. FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS & HAZARDOUS MATERIALS
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	4. Exit doors shall be operable from the inside without a key or special knowledge. CFC 1008.1.9	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1. Secondary containment shall be provided. CFC 2704.2.2 (HM liquids/solids) Individual containers exceeding 55 gallons; aggregate capacity exceeds 1000 gal. Individual containers exceeding 550 lbs.; aggregate capacity exceeds 10,000 lbs.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5. Manually operated bolt locks are not permitted. CFC 1008.1.9.4	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2. Flammable or combustible liquids shall not be stored in or near exit ways. CFC 3404.3.3.3
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	6. During restocking using manual methods, the minimum unobstructed aisle width is 2 feet (for 4 foot aisle); for mechanical forklift restocking, the restocking aisle width shall be 4 feet (for 8 foot aisle). CFC 2305.4	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	3. Store flammable or combustible liquids over 10 gallons for use in approved flammable liquid storage cabinets. CFC 3404.3.4.4
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	7. Aisles in sprinklered buildings (high piled storage) shall be 44 inches. For buildings that allow public access, the aisle width increases to 8 feet. CFC 2306.9.1.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	4. Flammable and combustible liquids shall be limited to amounts necessary for maintenance and operation of equipment. CFC 3404.3.4.2
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	8. Aisles in nonsprinklered buildings (high piled storage) shall be 96 inches wide. CFC 2306.9.1.2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	I. PERMITS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. SIGNS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1. Permits are required for installation, alterations or repairs of building systems or fire protection systems. CFC 105.7
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1. Address numbers shall be plainly visible. CFC 505.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2. Annual operational permit is required. CFC 105.1 (see back page)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2. Post "No Smoking" and hazard warning signs as required. CFC 310.3, 2703.7.1, 3403.5	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	J. COMPRESSED & LP-GASES
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	3. Label doors to Electrical Room. CFC 605.3.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1. Secure compressed gas cylinders to prevent cylinders from falling or being knocked over. CFC 3003.5.3
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	4. Portable fire extinguishers shall not be obstructed from view. Means shall be provided to indicate the locations. CFC 909.6	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2. LP-Gas shall not be located outside near exits or stairs. CFC 3809.4
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	5. Provide maximum allowable storage height signs. CFC 2305.6	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	3. No LP-Gases of any type/mixture shall be permitted in any occupancy either for sale, use or storage without approval of the fire code official. CFC 3801.4
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	E. ELECTRICAL & HEATING EQUIPMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> NO APPARENT VIOLATIONS AT THIS TIME		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	1. Extension cords should only be used with portable appliances (calculators, coffee makers, radios). CFC 605.5	Unless otherwise permitted indoor storage height shall not exceed 12 ft.		
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	2. Maintain 30-inch clearance to electrical panels. CFC 605.3			
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	3. Provide adequate clearance between heat producing appliances and combustible material. CFC 305.1, 603.1.7, 605.10.4			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	OTHER VIOLATIONS AND/OR COMMENTS			

General Information & Code Explanation

A. FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

- 01.** Only work performed by State Fire Marshal licensed service companies will be accepted (ask for ID). Extinguishers should be used only after evacuation of the business or building and after the Fire Department or 911 has been called to respond.
- 02.** For typical businesses, extinguishers should be spaced such that all areas are w/in 75 feet of travel. For most facilities with flammable liquids the distance is 30 to 50 feet.
- 03.** Extinguisher sizes: Warehouses, machinery, manufacturing, repair garages, and flammable liquids facilities shall have 4A:40 BC; Fuel service stations shall have 2A:20-BC; Kitchens must have a Class K type within 30 feet of the grill or deep fat fryers.

B. FIRE PROTECTION & ALARM SYSTEMS

- 01. - 03.** Fire protection systems, including sprinklers and standpipes, require periodic inspection and maintenance. Obstructions to fire protection systems, equipment and devices delay emergency operations. Maintain adequate clearance to PIV/OS&Y valves, FDC's, risers and sprinklers. Inspectors test valves should be operated quarterly by the owner to test alarm activation; before opening the test valve, notify the alarm monitoring company. Check that control valves (PIV's & OS& Y's) are open to ensure proper operation. PIV's should read "Open" and OS& Y systems should extend out; both must be locked. Sprinklers and standpipes are required to be certified at least every 5 years by State licensed technicians with a City business license.
- 04.** Check Fire Department Connections (FDC's) – caps are in place, couplings rotate freely, and threads are not damaged and inlets are not obstructed.
- 05.** Fixed fire suppression systems for cooking equipment, kitchen hoods, spray booths and computer rooms are required to be serviced semi-annually by State licensed technicians with a City Business License.
- 06.** Commercial cooking appliances, including ventilation hoods and filters, are to be inspected quarterly, and cleaned as needed, to reduce the hazard from grease fires.
- 07.** Test your fire alarm systems to confirm the monitoring system is connected, and the monitoring company sends the alarm to the correct emergency response agency. Fire alarm operating and reset instructions must be posted near the alarm panel. The building owner/occupant must be able to operate the alarm system without delay.

C. EXITS & AISLES

- 01.** Required exit width shall not be reduced by storage, waste or merchandise. Minimum exit width is 36 inches.
- 02.** Exit signs and lighting are necessary for safe egress.
- 03. - 05.** The main entrance door requires a sign stating "THIS DOOR SHALL REMAIN UNLOCKED DURING BUSINESS HOURS" when an interior keyed lock is installed. Other exit doors shall not have interior key operated locks, and should open in one motion and shall not have dead bolts, locks, chains, bars, grates or hasps.
- 06. - 08.** During restocking of storage piles, shelves, or racks, 50% of the aisle may be temporarily blocked. The minimum aisle width in a high piled combustible storage (HPS) sprinklered building is 44 inches. For buildings with public access, the aisle width is 96 inches, as is a nonsprinklered building with HPS. HPS = >12 feet.

D. SIGNS

- 01.** Building address numbers shall be clearly visible from the street. Numbers shall contrast with the background. Minimum number height is 8" with a 1/2" stroke width.
- 02.** Post "No Smoking" signs in areas where flammable vapors or other flammables are stored or used in a way that could be hazardous, or as required by the Fire Code.
- 03.** Doors to electrical rooms and other utility rooms including fire protection systems shall be labeled for emergency access.
- 04.** In rooms or areas in which visual obstruction cannot be completely avoided, signs shall be provided to indicate the location of the fire extinguisher(s).
- 05.** Maximum allowable storage signs remind employees of height limits. Warehouse storage is based on construction, type of commodity, fire protection system (or lack of), and how the material is stored (piles/racks). Call Fire Prevention for assistance.

E. ELECTRICAL & HEATING EQUIPMENT

- 01.** A refrigerator, copy machine, computer or microwave oven are not considered portable

F. WEED ABATEMENT, HOUSEKEEPING & STORAGE

- 01. & 02.** Brush fires easily spread to adjacent properties; cut growth regularly = 3 inches maximum. Keep combustible waste in proper place; it will significantly reduce fire hazards.
- 03.** Outside storage must be separated from property lines to provide a safety barrier.
- 04.** Keeping storage away from sprinklers allows water to disperse. In unsprinklered buildings, keep storage away from ceiling to reduce the fire load and allow water from hose streams to penetrate. Unless permitted, indoor storage height is limited to 12 feet.
- 05.** Dumpster fires spread easily to buildings through windows or roof eave spaces. Keep dumpsters at least 5 feet away from buildings and always keep the lids closed.

UNLESS PERMITTED INDOOR STORAGE IS 12 FT. MAX. HEIGHT

This applies to un-sprinklered buildings and non-calculated fire protection systems in buildings.

G. FIRE DOORS & WALLS

- 01. - 03.** Keep fire doors closed or open in good working order so that fire will not spread to other areas or into exit corridors.
- 04.** Damaged fire doors will not close in an emergency. Holes in fire rated walls and ceilings will allow fire to spread and grow. Check fire doors, warehouse and production area walls, ceilings, and office areas for damage; repair as needed.

H. FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS & HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

- 01.** Liquid containers exceeding 55 gallons or solid material containers exceeding 550 pounds must have secondary containment to avoid spilled material from migrating.
- 02.** Gasoline vapors are heavier than air and can easily find an ignition source near the floor. Never use gasoline as a cleaning solvent.
- 03.** Approved flammable liquid storage cabinets shall have self-closing doors.
- 04.** Keep only enough flammable liquids needed for maintenance or operation of equipment. Flammable or combustible liquids over the basic amounts listed below must be stored in special occupancies (H-2, H-3) or storage rooms. (Exception: merchandise for sale. Stores are permitted greater amounts.) For increases in the basic allowable amounts contact the Fire Prevention Division.

Basic Allowable Flammable-Combustible Liquids Storage Amounts

Type of Liquid	Exempt Amt.	Type of Liquid	Exempt Amt.
Flammable		Combustible	
Class I-A ¹	30 (gallons)	Class II ⁴	120 (gallons)
Class I-B ²	120	Class III-A ⁵	330
Class I-C ³	120	Class III-B ⁶	13200
Combination* I-A, I-B, I-C	120		

* Combinations shall not contain more than the allowable amounts in any class.

¹ An example of a Class I-A flammable is ether.

² Gasoline, rubbing alcohol (isopropyl) and nail polish remover (acetone) are class I-B flammable liquids.

³ Turpentine is an example of a Class I-C flammable liquid.

⁴ Diesel fuel, kerosene, and mineral spirits are examples of Class-II combustible liquids.

⁵ Oil-based paints and mineral oils are Class III-A combustible liquids.

⁶ Motor oil, hydraulic fluid and anti-freeze are Class III-B combustible liquids.

I. PERMITS

- 01.** Building and fire protection construction require permits along with plans and inspections for alterations of buildings or systems. Contact Fire Department for assistance.
- 02.** Annual operational permits are required for the following high hazard activities:

Storage or Use of: (Permit Amount)

1. Aerosol Products (>500 lb.)
2. Combustible Fibers (>100 cu. ft.)
3. Compressed Gases
4. Cryogenic Fluids
5. Misc. Combustible Storage (>2500 cu. ft.)
6. Hazardous Materials

Activities/Operating

13. Industrial Ovens
14. Dust Producing Operation
15. Magnesium Working (>10 lb. daily)
16. Place of Assembly (Restaurant, Bar, Church, etc. with an occupant load >50).
17. Repair Garages