

## FIRE SAFETY COMPLIANCE INSPECTIONS

The East Hampton Fire Marshal's Office conducts annual inspections to check for compliance with the Connecticut Fire Safety Code and the Connecticut Fire Prevention Code. The following is a list of some of the code requirements that are looked for during a fire safety inspection:

### EMERGENCY LIGHTS

- Emergency lighting is required to illuminate exit paths during a power failure
- Monthly testing/documentation are required of the property owner/tenant

### EXIT SIGNS

- Exit signs must be illuminated at all times, including power failures.
- Monthly testing/documentation are required of the property owner/tenant.

### EXITS

- All exits, including exit corridors and aisles, are to be kept clear of obstructions at all times.
- All exit doors are to remain unlocked while the building is occupied
- All exit doors shall be free of deadbolts, slide bolts, and padlocks
- Main door shall have a sign above door stating "THIS DOOR TO REMAIN UNLOCKED WHEN BUILDING IS OCCUPIED." unless approved panic hardware is in place

### FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

- Fire extinguishers must be readily visible and mounted in an accessible location.
- Monthly inspection and annual service is required along with documentation.
- Fire extinguishers shall not be obstructed and shall be in a conspicuous location.

### FIRE ALARM SYSTEMS/SPRINKLER SYSTEMS

- All fire alarm systems shall be inspected and tested annual per NFPA 72
- Records shall be available for review
- Any automatic fire sprinkler system shall be inspected and tested annually per NFPA 25 requirements.
- Storage shall be at least 2 feet below the ceiling or 18 inches below sprinkler heads.
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### EXTENSION CORDS

- Extension cords may not be used as a substitute for permanent wiring.
- They shall not be run through walls, ceilings or attached to building surfaces.
- Relocatable power taps shall be directly connected to a permanently installed receptacle

### ELECTRICAL PANELS

- 36" clearance shall be maintained to provide access.
  - All circuits must be labeled
  - Missing and unused circuits shall be covered with a blank cover



## FOOD & COOKING ESTABLISHMENTS

- Must have documentation of semi-annual hood and duct cleaning per NFPA 96.
- Must have documentation that fire suppression system has been tested and serviced in accordance with NFPA 17 & 17A
- A Class K fire extinguisher shall be mounted within 30 feet of commercial food equipment using vegetable or animal oils

## HOUSE KEEPING

- Combustible material shall not be stored in boiler rooms, mechanical rooms or electrical equipment rooms.
- Combustible materials shall not be stored in exits or exit enclosures.
- Outside dumpster shall be kept at least 5 feet away from combustible walls, windows, doors, overhangs and lid shall be closed.
- Compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks shall be secured to prevent falling.

## BUILDING MAINTENANCE

- The building address shall be clearly visible from the street, minimum 4 inches in height with a contrasting background
- Provide Knox box for buildings with supervised fire protection equipment - Provide keys for Knox Box
- Fire-resistance-rated construction shall be maintained
- Provide legible & permanent sign with occupant load posted in conspicuous location.

**\*\*PLEASE NOTE:** These are just the basics; other fire code issues may be identified during the Fire Marshal Inspection\*\*

