



Newton County Fire Prevention Bureau
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Fire Safety Compliance Georgia School Systems

Date: _____

School Name: _____

Address: _____

You are hereby requested to correct the following conditions on or
before: _____

I. ART, DECORATIONS, & OPERATIONS:

_____ **Artwork:** Artwork and teaching materials shall be limited on the walls or corridors to not more than 20 percent of the wall area. **2012 NFPA 101 Sec. 15.7.3.3**

"Exception: May be increased to 50% of the wall area in a building that is protected throughout by a supervised automatic sprinkler system and is of Type I or Type II construction". 2014 State Modifications.

_____ **General:** Curtains, draperies, hangings, furniture, and other decorative materials shall be flame resistant in accordance with **N.F.P.A. 701** or be noncombustible. **2012 NFPA 101-14.7.4.**

_____ **Obstruction of Means of Egress:** No decorations or other objects shall be placed to obstruct exits, access thereto, egress therefrom, or visibility thereof. **2012 NFPA 101-7.1.10.2.1**

_____ **Extension Cord:** Shall not be a substitute for permanent wiring and shall comply with **2012 I.F.C. Sec. 605.**

_____ **Portable Heaters:** Portable electric and liquefied petroleum gas or liquid fuel fired space heating devices designed to be portable are prohibited in all portions of educational buildings. **2012 NFPA 101 14.5.2.3(Modifications)**

_____ **Microwave Ovens and hot plates** are prohibited except in RCSS approved locations where branch circuit wiring meets the requirements of NFPA 70.

II. STORAGE:

_____ **Storage in Buildings:** Storage shall be separated from heaters or heating devices by distance or shielding so that ignition cannot occur. Combustible materials shall not be stored in exits or exit enclosures **2012 I.F.C. Sec. 315.2.**

- _____ **Ceiling Clearance:** Storage shall be maintained 2 feet (610 mm) or more below the ceiling in non-sprinkled areas of buildings or a minimum of 18 inches (457 mm) below sprinkler head deflectors in sprinkled areas of buildings. **2012 I.F.C. Sec. 315.2.1.**
- _____ **Equipment Rooms:** Combustible materials shall not be stored in boiler rooms, mechanical rooms or electrical equipment rooms. **2012 I.F.C. Sec. 315.2.3.**
- _____ **Clearance:** Of 36 inches shall be maintained in front and 30 inches in width of electrical panel (s). **2012 I.F.C. Sec. 605.3.**
- _____ **Storage in Corridors and Lobbies:** Clothing and personal effects shall not be stored in corridors and lobbies unless protected by an automatic sprinkler or smoke detection system or within metal lockers. **2012 NFPA 15.7.4.2.**

III. BUILDING SERVICES:

- _____ **Records:** Records of all system inspections, test, and maintenance required by the referenced standards shall be maintained on the premises for a minimum of 3 years and made available to the code official upon request. **2012 I.F.C. Sec. 901.6.2.**
- _____ **Construction :** Modifications or construction on any proposed building or structure shall have plans approved in accordance with Code Section 25-2-14 prior to the beginning of construction. **OCGA 25-2-37(b)**
- _____ **Maintenance of Safeguards:** Whenever or wherever any device, equipment, system, condition, arrangement, level of protection, or any other feature is required for compliance with the provisions of this code, or otherwise installed, such device, equipment, system, condition, arrangement, level of protection or other feature shall thereafter be continuously maintained in accordance with this code and applicable referenced standards. **2012 I.F.C. Sec. 107.1.**
- _____ **Fire Alarm System (Annual) :** Shall be inspected, and repair any deficiencies noted to meet **2012 IFC Sec 907.8 & NFPA 72**
- _____ **Sprinkler System (Annual) :** Shall be inspected and repair any deficiencies noted to meet **2012 IFC Sec. 901 & NFPA 25**
- _____ **Fire-Resistance-Rated Construction Maintenance:** The required fire-resistance rating of fire-resistance-rated construction shall be maintained. Opening through fire-resistance -rated assemblies shall be protected by self-or automatic-closing doors. **2012 I.F.C. Sec. 703.1**
- _____ **Kitchen Extinguishment Systems:** Protecting cooking equipment shall be serviced every **6 months**. Hood(s) and Duct-work shall be grease free. **2012 IFC 904.1 and NFPA. 96.**
- _____ **Extinguishers (Annual):** Shall be selected (minimum size 2A10BC), installed and maintained in accordance with **2014 Georgia Modifications to the 2012 IFC Sec. 906.**
- _____ **Emergency Lighting:** Shall be maintained and operable throughout all exit paths. **2012 NFPA 101-15.2.8 & 7.10.***
- _____ **Maintain Exit Sign:** Illumination A/C & D/ C. **2012 NFPA 101-15.2 & 7.10. ***
- _____ **Emergency Generators:** Shall be inspected and maintained in accordance with NFPA 101-9.1.3. Stand-by power is required within 10 seconds of power failure.
- _____ **Fire Lanes** and access roads shall be marked appropriately and unobstructed at all times. **2012 IFC 503.**

*Battery backup not required where emergency generators are used.

IV. OCCUPANCY, DOORS AND EXITS:

- _____ **Classroom occupant load:** Maximum 1 person for 20 sq. ft. and 1:50 for shops, labs, and vocational rooms. **NFPA 101**
- _____ **Means of Egress:** It shall be unlawful to lock or chain an exit door whether or not it is a required exit
- _____ **OCGA 25-2-37(a)**
- _____ **Opening Protective:** Fire doors, smoke barrier doors, or escape windows shall not be blocked, chained, obstructed or otherwise made inoperable. Fire door assemblies shall not be modified. **2012 I.F.C. Sec. 703.2.**

- _____ **Hold-Open Devices and Closers:** Electric hold-open devices and automatic door closers, where provided, shall be maintained. During the period that such device is out of service for repairs, the door it operates shall remain in the closed position. Door chocks or non-releasing devices in an exit corridor are prohibited. **2012 I.F.C. Sec. 703.2.2.**
- _____ **Door Operation:** Swinging fire doors shall close from the full-open position and latch automatically. The door closer shall exert enough force to close and latch the door from any partially open position. **2012 I.F.C. Sec. 703.2.3.**
- _____ **Doors:** Shall be operable from the egress side without the use of a key, special knowledge or effort. **2012 NFPA 101-7.2.1.5.3.**
- _____ **Bolt Locks:** Manually opened flush bolts or surface bolts are not permitted. **2012 2012 NFPA 101 ch.7.**

V. SCHOOL TRAILERS AND MODULAR CLASSROOMS:

- _____ **2012 NFPA 101 15.1.1.4 (Modifications)** Mobile / portable classroom structures shall not be placed within 25 feet of any building or structure, nor within 10 feet of another mobile / portable classroom structure.
- _____ **2012 I.F.C. Sec. 907.2.3** - Smoke Detectors required unless a manual pull station at each exit is provided.
- _____ **2012 NFPA 101. 15.3.4.2 (Modifications)** each portable classroom shall have a two-way communication device or fire alarm system interconnected to the school.
- _____ **2012 NFPA 101 15.2** - Exit signs and emergency illumination devices shall be maintained.
- _____ **120-3-3 Mod to NFPA 101-14.3.5.5.6** - Portable Fire Extinguishers shall be serviced annually.
- _____ **2012 NFPA 101 sec 7.9** - Emergency Lighting and exit signs shall be maintained to provide illumination for 1.5 hours in the event of a power outage. If emergency illumination is from a different power source, a delay of not more than 10 seconds shall be permitted.
- _____ **OCGA 25-2-37** - Exits shall be maintained clear and readily accessible at all times.

COMMENTS:

 _____ Inspector
Received By

 _____ Inspector
Compliance Date **Fire Marshal's Division**