

Typical Fire Safety Inspection Violations

Fire Extinguishers

Issue: Insufficient number of fire extinguishers

Correction: Provide xx number of fire extinguishers (within 75' from the nearest mounted extinguisher)

Issue: Fire Extinguisher not serviced within last 12 months

Correction: Provide annual servicing for all fire extinguishers

Issue: Fire Extinguisher not mounted and/or not visible

Correction: Mount the extinguisher no more that 5' from the floor and make sure it is visible to staff

Issue: Fire Extinguisher not appropriate type

Correction: Read label to ensure you have appropriate type of extinguisher for your business

Electrical

Issue: Exposed cover plates on electrical junction boxes

Correction: Replace cover plates on electrical boxes

Issue: Electrical control panel door blocked or obstructed

Correction: Minimum 36" clearance in front of electrical control panel

Issue: Electrical control panel not labeled

Correction: Label each breaker appropriately

Issue: Use of extension cords because of insufficient electrical outlets

Correction: Install additional outlets (typical placement is 12' apart) or replace with surge protectors

Exits

Issue: Blocked, locked, or obstructed exits observed

Correction: Exits shall be clear of storage or obstructions – do not block exits

Issue: Proper aisles not provided – blocked or obstructed

Correction: Remove obstructions to obtain clearance equal to width of exit door

Issue: Improper latching devices on exit door(s)

Correction: Exit door(s) shall open from the inside without use of key or special knowledge or effort; special permission may be granted to keep double key lock provided appropriate signage is installed

Issue: No visible exit sign

Correction: Exit door identification shall be visible and illuminated

Storage

Issue: Combustible materials stored improperly

Correction: Remove materials causing a fire hazard

Issue: Poor housekeeping

Correction: Accumulations of waste, combustible, or flammable rubbish around the building or dumpster must be removed

Issue: Combustible materials observed under stairs

Correction: If storing, space must be protected or enclosed by one hour fire wall

Miscellaneous

Issue: Address missing, numbers are too small, or placed where they are not visible from street

Correction: Approved numbers or addresses shall be placed on all new and existing buildings; numbers should be 6" and reflective