

CHAPTER 1620
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Fires and fire protection generally - see M.C.L. A. Secs. 29.1 et seq.,
41.181, 125.401 et seq., 750.240 et seq.
BOCA National Fire Prevention Code - see F.P. Ch. 1610

1620.01 FALSE ALARMS.

No person shall willfully turn in, sound or cause to be communicated to the Fire Department a false alarm of fire.

(1957 Code, Ch. 9027, §1)

1620.02 INJURY TO FIRE EQUIPMENT.

No person shall willfully molest, take for his or her own private use, or damage in any manner, any fire-fighting equipment or apparatus or anything pertaining to the fire-fighting system, or drive any vehicle upon or against any hose or equipment of the Fire Department.

(1957 Code, Ch. 9027, §2)

1620.03 OBSTRUCTION OF FIRE HYDRANTS.

No person shall place any obstruction whatever, nor shall any person responsible for such obstruction permit it to remain, within fifteen feet of any fire hydrant.

(1957 Code, Ch. 9027, §3)

1620.04 OPENING OF FIRE HYDRANTS.

No person, except authorized City officers and employees, shall use any fire hydrant, except in case of emergency, without first securing permission from the Fire Chief for such use and paying or agreeing to pay for the water to be used. In no case shall any wrench or tool be used on any fire hydrant other than a regulation City hydrant wrench.

(1957 Code, Ch. 9027, §4)

1620.05 FIRE INSPECTION.

The Fire Chief is hereby authorized to enter at any and all reasonable times upon and into any premises, building or structure for the purpose of examining and inspecting the same, to ascertain the conditions thereof with regard to fire hazards and the condition, size, arrangement and efficiency of any and all appliances for fire-fighting. If such inspection shall disclose any fire hazard or any deficiency in fire-fighting appliances, the Fire Chief shall order the condition remedied. Every order made by the Fire Chief shall be promptly obeyed and complied with.

(1957 Code, Ch. 9027, §5)

1620.06 WASTE RECEPTACLES AND STORAGE.

No person owning or being responsible for any premises shall permit any waste paper, ashes, oil, rags, waste rags, excelsior and any material of a similar nature to accumulate thereon, unless contained in fireproof receptacles.

(1957 Code, Ch. 9027, §6)

1620.07 FIRE EXITS.

The following rules relative to passageways, stairs and fire exits shall be applicable to all public buildings, places of assembly, commercial and business buildings, hotels, apartment buildings, lodging houses, tourist homes and all other buildings, except private dwellings and except as otherwise expressly limited herein to a particular type of building:

- (a) No fire escape, stairway, balcony or ladder on any building shall be obstructed, out of repair or maintained in a hazardous condition. Doors and windows leading to any fire escape shall open easily from the inside.
- (b) No combustible material shall be stored, placed or kept under or upon any passageway, stairs or elevator shaft, nor shall any such material be stored, placed or kept in any other part of any building in such a position as to obstruct or render hazardous egress therefrom.
- (c) All doors, hallways and stairways shall be unobstructed at all times.
- (d) In all theaters, churches, schools and other places of public assembly, no door, aisle or passageway shall be obstructed with any furniture or article, nor shall any person sit or stand or be permitted to sit or stand in any aisle, or in any exit or passageway, and all exits and the sidewalks leading therefrom shall be unobstructed while such places of public assembly are in use.

- (e) No person shall do any act which causes any violation of any of the provisions of this section, nor shall any person owning any building or in charge thereof, as agent, employee or otherwise, permit any of said provisions to be violated.
(1957 Code, Ch. 9027, §7)

1620.08 OPEN BURNING.

No person shall kindle a fire in or upon any street or alley, nor within twenty-five feet of any building, unless such fire is confined in a safe container, and in no case within fifteen feet of any building or adjacent property. Every person who shall kindle any fire shall have some competent person constantly in charge of said fire until it is completely extinguished. In the event of hazardous or unsafe conditions, the burning can be discontinued by a qualified professional, such as Police, Fire, Superintendent of Public Works, or the City Manager.
(1957 Code, Ch. 9027, §8) (Ord. 2010-01. Passed 5-11-10.)

1620.09 OUTDOOR WOOD-FIRED BOILERS.

(a) Definition. "Outdoor wood-fired boiler" means a wood-fired boiler that is not located within a building intended for habitation by humans or domestic animals and which is designed, intended or used to provide heat or hot water by burning wood or any other solid fuel, including but not being limited to, coal, paper, or agricultural products.

(b) Prohibited. No person shall install, use or maintain an outdoor wood-fired boiler in the City.
(Ord. 2008-06. Passed 7-8-08.)

1620.99 PENALTY.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: See Section 202.99 of the Administration Code for the general Code penalty if no specific penalty is provided.)