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CROSS REFERENCES

Power to regulate sanitary condition of buildings--see Ohio R.C. 715.26(A), 715.29
Power to enforce State Building Code relating to sanitary construction--see Ohio R.C. 3781.03
Plumbing Inspections Division--see ADM. 137.03
Licensing sewer tappers--see S.U. & P.S. 915.05
Separate sewer connections required--see S.U. & P.S. 915.09
Use of Public Sewers--see S.U. & P.S. 916.02, 925.02
Plumbing in food establishments - see HLTH. 1711.09

1361.01 SHORT TITLE.

This Title Five of Part Thirteen--Building Code consisting of Chapters 1361 through 1369, shall be known as the Springfield Plumbing Code and may be cited as

this Plumbing Code.

1361.02 OHIO PLUMBING CODE ADOPTION.

(a) Adoption. The Ohio Plumbing Code, 2007 Edition (cited as "OPC"), being the "2006 International Plumbing Code, Chapters 2 to 13, as published by the International Code Council, Inc., along with editorial changes adopted by the Ohio Board of Building Standards, Division of Industrial Compliance, Ohio Department of Commerce effective-July 1, 2007, is hereby adopted by The City of Springfield, Ohio.
(Ord. 08-81. Passed 3-25-08.)

(b) For purposes of enforcing this Plumbing Code, the Health Commissioner of the Clark County Combined Health District is hereby appointed to be the Building Official.
(Ord. 05-47. Passed 2-15-05.)

(c) Plastic Pipe Exception: Notwithstanding the provisions of this Plumbing Code, copper tubing only shall be used in all water distribution and water supply applications connecting the City's water main, the curb stop and the meter box serving a property.
(Ord. 05-47. Passed 2-15-05.)

1361.03 DUTIES OF PLUMBING INSPECTOR.

The Plumbing Inspector shall maintain public office hours necessary to efficiently administer the provisions of this Plumbing Code and amendments thereto, and shall perform the following duties:

- (a) Keep a record of all work submitted to him for inspection, together with his action thereon.
- (b) Keep a record of the plumbing in each building in the City erected after October 27, 1952.
- (c) Inspect all plumbing work authorized by a permit to assure compliance with this Plumbing Code or amendments thereto, approving or condemning work in whole or in part as conditions require.
- (d) Issue a certificate of approval for any work approved by him.
- (e) Condemn and reject all work done, or being done, or materials used, or being used, which do not in all respects comply with the provisions of this Plumbing Code and amendments thereto.
- (f) Order changes in workmanship or materials essential to obtain compliance with all provisions of this Plumbing Code.
- (g) Investigate unsanitary conditions in any building or premises, resulting from defective plumbing or lack of plumbing therein, which makes it a menace to health and to issue orders for the abatement of such conditions.

1361.04 RIGHT OF ENTRY.

Whenever necessary for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this Plumbing Code, or whenever the Plumbing Inspector has reasonable cause to believe that there exists in any building or structure or upon any premises, any condition which makes such building, structure or premises unsafe, the Plumbing Inspector may enter such building, structure or premises at all reasonable times to inspect the same or to perform any duty imposed upon the Plumbing Inspector by this Plumbing Code; provided that if such building, structure or premises is occupied, he shall first present proper credentials and request entry. If such entry is refused, the Plumbing Inspector shall have recourse to every remedy provided by law to secure entry.

1361.05 DANGEROUS AND UNSANITARY CONDITIONS.

(a) Whenever it is brought to the attention of the Commissioner of Health that

any dangerous or unsanitary condition exists, or that any construction or work regulated by this Plumbing Code is dangerous, unsafe, unsanitary or a menace to life, health or property, or is in violation of this Plumbing Code, the Health Commissioner may request an investigation by the Plumbing Inspector, who upon determining such information to be true, shall order any person, firm or corporation using or maintaining any such condition, or responsible for the use or maintenance thereof, to discontinue the use of or maintenance thereof, or to repair, alter, change, remove or demolish the same as he may consider necessary for the proper protection of life, health or property. In a case where there is danger of pollution of the water supply, the Health Commissioner may order the water service shut off until such plumbing is made safe to life and health. In cases where any business establishment is closed by the Health Commissioner because of conditions detrimental to public health, such business shall remain closed until permission to reopen such place of business has been granted by the Health Commissioner.

(b) In cases where any building is condemned by the Health Commissioner and ordered vacated because of being dangerous to life and health, such building shall remain vacant until permission to reopen such building has been granted by the Health Commissioner.

(c) Every order pursuant to this section shall be in writing, addressed to the owner, agent or person responsible for the premises in which such conditions exist and shall specify the date or time when such order shall be complied with, which time shall allow a reasonable period in which the order can be complied with by the person, firm or corporation receiving such order, but shall never exceed the maximum period for which such construction can be safely used or maintained in the judgment of the Health Commissioner. Refusal, failure or neglect to comply with such notice or order shall be considered a violation of this Plumbing Code.

(d) It shall be the duty of the Plumbing Inspector and of the Health Commissioner to enforce the provisions of this Plumbing Code, but nothing herein contained shall be construed to exempt any other officer or department from the obligation imposed upon them of enforcing the provisions hereof.

1361.06 SANITARY FACILITIES REQUIRED.

(a) All buildings erected in the City and intended for human habitation or occupancy shall be provided with operable sanitary plumbing facilities. At the least, each new and existing housing unit intended for human habitation shall be provided with an operable separate water closet and sink for each family. New or remodeled nonresidential structures shall be provided with separate water closets and lavatories for male and female employees as required by this Plumbing Code.

(b) Privy vaults and chemically treated dry pan toilets shall not be constructed, installed or used on any premises within the City of Springfield, Ohio.

1361.07 PLUMBING SYSTEMS.

All plumbing systems including repairs and additions hereafter installed in the City shall conform with the provisions of this Plumbing Code.

1361.08 CONFLICT; MORE RESTRICTIVE PROVISION TO CONTROL.

In any specific case where there is a difference in the materials, methods of construction or other requirements specified in different sections of this Plumbing Code, or any other applicable law or ordinance, or any rule or regulation of any administrative

officer or board having jurisdiction, the more restrictive shall govern.

1361.09 SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS WHICH CAN BE INFILTRATED, RENDERED INOPERABLE OR BE CONTAMINATED BY FLOOD WATERS.

No on-site sewage disposal system shall be approved which is located within the Regional Flood Plain and which can be infiltrated, rendered inoperable or be contaminated by flood waters.

1361.10 NEW OR REPLACEMENT WATER SUPPLY SYSTEMS AND/OR SANITARY SEWAGE SYSTEMS TO BE DESIGNED TO MINIMIZE OR ELIMINATE INFILTRATION OF FLOOD WATERS.

All new or replacement water supply systems and/or sanitary sewage systems located within the Regional Flood Plain shall be designed to minimize or eliminate infiltration of flood waters into the systems and discharge from the systems into the flood waters.

1361.99 PENALTY.

Whoever violates any provision of this Plumbing Code or any notice or order issued pursuant thereto is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree and shall be punished by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or imprisoned not more than six months, or both.
(Ord. 91-258. Passed 6-18-91.)