

Chapter 2

UNIFORM PLUMBING CODE

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Sec. 2-1. Adoption of the Uniform Plumbing Code.

From and after the taking effect of this Chapter, all plumbing in new construction, relocated buildings and any alterations, repairs or reconstruction of plumbing within City, except as hereinafter provided, shall be made in substantial accord with the Uniform Plumbing Code, 2015 Edition, and Appendix A, B, E, G, H, I, and L and all other future additions as amended, deleted and added to as edited, copyrighted and published adopted by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials. Such Uniform Plumbing Code, and Appendix A, B, E, G, H, I and L as amended by this Chapter, is hereby adopted as the Plumbing Code of the City. The Clerk is hereby directed to certify the one (1) copy of said Uniform Plumbing Code, and Appendix A, B, E, G, H, I, and L. from time to time, as the same shall be compiled and published.

(Ord. 99-35, 11/1/99; 2001-17, 09/17/2001; 2002-22, 12/02/02; 2004-23, 05/03/04; 2014-20, 12/01/2014; 2017-17, 12/18/2017)

Sec. 2-2. Amendment to Uniform Plumbing Code

Table 4-1 of the UPC shall be replaced with IDAPA 07, Title 02, Chapter 6, Table 412.1.

IDAPA 07, Title 02, Chapter 06, Section 604.1 shall be amended by replacing the language “within a building (above ground and below ground) with one (1) joint” with “a maximum of 24 inches exposed within a crawlspace”.^{4, 5.}

Section 610.2 shall be amended by replacing the words “all new”, with “if a water softener loop is installed in a”.

(Ord. 2004-23, 05/03/04; 2014-20, 12/01/2014; 2017-17, 12/18/2017)

Sec. 2-3. Department Having Jurisdiction.

Unless otherwise provided for by law, the department having jurisdiction and City of this Code shall be the City Community Development Department.

(Ord. 2004-23, 05/03/04)

Sec. 2-4. Dangerous and Unsanitary Construction.

- A. Any portion of a plumbing system found by the City to be unsanitary as defined herein is hereby declared to be a nuisance.
- B. Whenever brought to the attention of the City that any unsanitary condition exists or that any construction or work regulated by this Code, is dangerous, unsafe, unsanitary, a nuisance or menace to life, health or property or otherwise in violation of this Code, the said City may institute an investigation and, upon determining such information to be fact, shall order any person using or maintaining any such condition or responsible for the use or maintenance thereof or to repair, alter change, remove or demolish same as it may consider necessary for the proper protection of life, health and property and in the case of any gas piping or gas appliance may

^{4.} For each urinal added in excess of the minimum required, one (1) water closet shall be permitted to be deducted. The number of water closets shall not be reduced to less than two thirds (2/3 of the minimum requirement.

^{5.} Drinking fountains are not required for an occupancy load of thirty (30) or less.

order any person supplying gas to such piping or appliance to discontinue supplying gas thereto until such piping or appliance is made safe to life, health and property. Every such order shall be in writing, addressed to the owner, agent or person responsible for the premises in which such condition exists and shall specify the date or time for compliance with such order.

- C. Refusal, failure or neglect to comply with any such notice or order shall be considered a violation of this Code.
- D. When any plumbing system is maintained in violation of this Code and in violation of any notice issued pursuant to the provisions of this Section or where a nuisance exists in any building or on a lot on which a building is situated, the City shall institute any appropriate action or proceeding in any court of competent jurisdiction to prevent, restrain, correct or abate the violation or nuisance.

(Ord. 2004-23, 05/03/04)

Sec. 2-5. Permit Required.

- A. It shall be unlawful for any person to install, remove, alter, repair or replace or cause to be installed, removed, altered, repaired or replaced any plumbing, gas or drainage piping work or any fixture or water heating or treating equipment in a building or premises without first obtaining a permit to do such work from the City.
- B. A separate permit shall be obtained for each building or structure.
- C. No person for whom a state license is required shall allow any other person to do or cause to be done any work under a permit secured by a permittee except persons in such person's employ. No person for whom a state license is not required shall allow any other non-licensed person to do or cause to be done any work under a permit required by this Chapter unless such non-licensed person is also exempt from state licensure.

- D. All permits required within the City relative to sewer installation located outside buildings and structures shall be required within certain areas set forth on the map designated Exhibit 'A', South East Sewer District, and dated June 7, 1982, which is hereby adopted and incorporated as part of this subsection. Three (3) copies of said map shall remain on file in the office of the Clerk. The Council may, from time to time, amend the boundaries of such areas through resolution and adopting an updated map.

All fees required within the City shall be required within the area designated Exhibit 'A'. Additional fees may, from time to time, be required by resolution. (Ord. 2004-23, 05/03/04; 2017-17, 12/18/2017)

Sec. 2-6. To Whom Permits May be Issued.

- A. No permit shall be issued to do or cause to be done any work regulated by this Chapter except to a person holding a valid and unrevoked plumbing contractor's certificate of qualification or registration as provided in Section 7-2-14 of this Chapter, except when the applicant is exempt from such licensing requirements by the Idaho Code.
- B. The City may refuse to issue such a permit to any person who is acting in violation of this Code or the Idaho Code.
- C. Permits for the purpose of extension, removal, alteration, repair or replacement of any plumbing, gas or drainage piping or any fixture or water heating or treating equipment in a building or premise may be issued to any qualified regularly employed maintenance plumber working on the premises of his or her employer; provided, that said maintenance plumber shall personally purchase all materials and shall personally perform all labor in connection therewith.
- D. The person issued a permit required by this Chapter shall remain responsible for compliance with all applicable Code sections and for the quality of

workmanship; the City accepts no responsibility or liability for defects, performance or quality of workmanship.

- E. Upon completion of plumbing or portions of plumbing systems, the licensed plumber or exempt installer shall request an inspection regardless of whose name appears on the permit.

(Idaho Code § 54-2602; Ord. 2004-23, 05/03/04)

Sec. 2-7. Application for Permit.

Any person legally required to apply for and receive a permit shall make such application on forms provided for that purpose. The applicant shall file a description of the character of the work proposed to be done, and the location, ownership, occupancy and use of the premises in connection therewith. The City may require plans, specifications or drawings and such other information as may be deemed necessary by the City.

If the City determines that the plans, specifications, drawings, descriptions or information furnished by the applicant is in compliance with this Code, the City shall issue the permit applied for upon payment of the required fee as set by Resolution adopted by the Council.

(Ord. 2004-23, 05/03/04)

Sec. 2-8. Cost of Permit.

Every applicant for a permit to do work regulated by this Code shall state in writing on the application form provided for that purpose, the character of work proposed to be done and the amount and kind in connection therewith, together with such information, pertinent thereto, as may be required.

Such applicant shall pay for each permit, at the time of making application, a fee in accordance with the schedule of fees as established from time to time by resolution duly adopted by the City Council, and at the rate provided for each classification shown herein.

Any person who shall commence any work for which a permit is required by this Code without first having obtained a permit therefor shall, if subsequently permitted to obtain a permit, pay double the permit fee

fixed for such work; provided, however, that this provision shall not apply to emergency work when it shall be proved to the satisfaction of the City that such work was urgently necessary and that it was not practical to obtain a permit therefor before the commencement of such work. In all such cases a permit must be obtained "as soon as it is practical to do so", and if there be an unreasonable delay in obtaining such a permit, a double fee as herein provided, shall be charged.

For the purpose of this Section, a sanitary plumbing outlet on or to which a plumbing fixture or appliance may be set or attached, shall be constructed to be a fixture. Fees for reconstruction and retest of existing plumbing systems in relocated buildings shall be based on the number of plumbing fixtures, gas systems, water heaters, etc., involved.

When interceptor traps or house trailer site traps are installed at the same time as a building sewer on any lot, no sewer permit shall be required for the connection of any such trap to an appropriate outlet fitting provided in the building sewer by the permittee constructing such sewer.

When a permit has been obtained to connect an existing building or existing work to the public sewer or to connect to a new private disposal facility, backfilling or private sewage disposal facilities abandoned consequent to such connection is included in the building sewer permit.

Classifications for issuing each permit; in addition:

- A. For each plumbing fixture or trap or set of fixtures on one trap (including water, drainage piping and back flow protection therefor).
- B. For each building sewer and each trailer park sewer.
- C. For each gas water heater and/or vent.
- D. For each industrial waste pretreatment interceptor, including its trap and vent, excepting kitchen type grease interceptors functioning as fixture traps.
- E. For installation, alteration or repair of water piping and/or water treating equipment.

- F. For repair or alteration of drainage or vent piping.
- G. For each lawn sprinkler system on any one meter including backflow protection devices therefor.
- H. For vacuum breakers or backflow protective devices on tanks, vats, etc., or for installation on unprotected plumbing fixtures including necessary water piping
- I. Special inspections.
- J. Reinspection.

The schedule of fees above may be changed from time to time by resolution of the Council.

A food waste disposer installed at the time of the original sink installation shall be considered as part of the sink. Dishwashers discharging into a food waste disposer or a separate trap shall require a separate fee.

(Ord. 2002-22, 12/02/02; Ord. 2004-23, 05/03/04)

Sec. 2-9. All Work to be Inspected.

All plumbing and drainage systems shall be inspected by the City to insure compliance with all the requirements of this Code.

(Ord. 2004-23, 05/03/04)

Sec. 2-10. Notification.

It shall be the duty of the person doing the work authorized by the permit to notify the City orally or in writing, that said work is ready for inspection. Such notification shall be given not less than twenty four (24) hours before the work is to be inspected.

It shall be the duty of the person doing the work authorized by the permit to make certain that the work will stand the tests prescribed elsewhere in this Code, prior to giving the above referenced notification.

(Ord. 2004-23, 05/03/04)

Sec. 2-11. Violations; Penalties.

- A. It shall be unlawful to violate any provisions of this Chapter. Any person violating any of the provisions of this Chapter, in addition to the penalties provided herein, shall be subject to all remedies available to the City under State and Federal law, including

recovery of costs to the City resulting from such violation.

- B. Any person violating any provision of this Chapter shall be subject to the following: It is an infraction punishable by a fine of one hundred dollars (\$100) plus court costs for any person to violate provisions of this Chapter for the first time. A second violation within five (5) years in an infraction punishable by a fine of three hundred dollars (\$300) plus court costs. A third violation within five (5) years shall be a misdemeanor as defined by the Idaho Code and shall subject such person up to the maximum misdemeanor penalties as provided in the Idaho Code.
Each separate day or any portion thereof during which any violation of this Chapter occurs or continues, shall be deemed to constitute a separate offense, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punishable as stated herein.
- C. The issuance or granting of a permit or approval of plans and specifications shall not be deemed or construed to be a permit for, or an approval of, any violation of any of the provisions of this Code. No permit presuming to give authority to violate or cancel the provisions of this Code shall be valid, except insofar as the work or use which it authorized is lawful.
- D. The issuance or granting of a permit or approval of plans shall not prevent the City from thereafter requiring the correction of errors in said plans and specifications or from preventing construction operations being carried on thereunder when in violation of this Code or of any other ordinance or from revoking any certificate of approval when issued in error.
- E. Every permit issued by the City under the provisions of this Code shall expire by limitation and become null and void, if the work authorized by such permit is not commenced within one hundred eighty (180) days from date of such permit, or if the work authorized by such permit is suspended or abandoned at any

time after the work is commenced for a period of one hundred eighty (180) days. Before such work can be recommended, a new permit shall be first obtained to do so, and the fee therefor shall be one-half (1/2) the amount required for a new permit for such work, provided no changes have been made, or will be made in the original plans and specifications for such work; and provided, further, that such suspension or abandonment has not exceeded one (1) year.

(Ord. 2002-22, 12/02/02; Ord. 2004-23, 05/03/04; 2017-17, 12/18/2017)