

FIRE CODE INSPECTION ORDINANCE

Section I. Title/Purpose. This Ordinance is entitled "Fire Code Inspection Ordinance." The purpose of this Ordinance is as follows:

To promote the safety, health and general welfare by establishing a fire code and a means of inspection and enforcement.

Section II. Adoption of Ordinance. The Town Board of the Town of Greenfield hereby adopts the following:

A. Fire Marshall. The Fire Chief shall be Fire Marshall and Fire Inspector and shall have the power to appoint one or more deputies, and they shall perform all duties required by law.

B. Duties. It shall be the duty of the Fire Marshall to inspect or cause to be inspected by the Fire Department officers or members, all buildings and premises (except the interior of private dwellings) as often as may be necessary for the purpose of ascertaining and causing to be corrected, any condition liable to cause fire, or any violations of the provisions or intent of this Ordinance and of any other ordinance affecting fire hazards, and to insure compliance in all places of assembly with all laws, regulations and orders dealing with over-crowding, use of decorative materials, maintenance of exit ways, and maintenance of fire alarm and fire detecting systems, and fire extinguishing systems and appliances.

C. Orders. Whenever officers or members of the Fire Department shall find in any building or upon any premises dangerous or hazardous conditions, the Fire Marshall shall order such dangerous conditions or materials removed or remedied in a manner specified by the Fire Marshall. These dangerous or hazardous conditions are enumerated as, but not limited to, the following:

1. Dangerous or unlawful amounts of combustible or explosive matter;
2. Hazardous conditions arising from defective or improperly installed equipment or handling or using combustible or explosive matter;
3. Dangerous accumulations of rubbish, dust, waste paper, boxes, shavings or other highly inflammable materials;
4. Accumulations of dust or waste materials in air conditioning systems or of grease in kitchen exhaust ducts;

5. Obstructions to or on fire escapes, stairs, passageways, doors or windows, liable to interfere with the operations of the Fire Department or egress of occupants in the event of fire; and

6. Any building or other structure which for want of repairs, lack of sufficient fire escapes or other exit facilities, automatic or other fire alarm apparatus or fire extinguishing equipment, or by reason of age or dilapidated condition or from any other cause, creates a fire hazard.

D. Application of New and Existing Conditions. The provisions of this Ordinance shall apply equally to condition existing before and after the Effective Date of this Ordinance.

E. Authority to Enter Premises. The Fire Marshall or the Fire Marshall's agents may, at all reasonable times, enter any building or premises subject to this Ordinance and within the Town of Greenfield for the purpose of making any inspection, or investigation, which, under the provisions of this Ordinance, the Fire Marshall or the Fire Marshall's agents may deem necessary to be made. If the Fire Marshall or the Fire Marshall's agents are denied access to any building or premises subject to this Ordinance, the occupant and owner of the building or premises shall be in violation of this Ordinance.

F. Wisconsin Administrative Code. The provisions of Wisconsin Administrative Code, Rules of Department of Industry, Labor and Human Relations, Sections ILHR 10; ILHR 14; ILHR 50.01 through ILHR 64; Ind 5.01 through Ind 5.49; Ind 7.001 through Ind 7.26; Ind 8.001 through Ind 8.725; Ind 9.001 through Ind 9.13; Ind 20.001 through Ind 20.23; Ind 21.01 through Ind 21.10; Ind 65.01 through Ind 65.12; Ind 160.01 through Ind 164.20 and all amendments thereto are hereby adopted by reference and the Rules and Regulations contained therein are hereby made a part of this Ordinance as though they were fully set forth herein. Whatever differences exist between the provisions of this (F), the more stringent provision shall prevail.

G. Fire Prevention Code. The provisions of the American Insurance Association Fire Prevention Code are hereby specifically incorporated into this Ordinance by reference and rules and regulations contained therein are hereby made a part of this Ordinance as though they were fully set forth herein.

H. Fire Safety Certificate of Occupancy. No owner shall use or permit the use of any building constructed, changed, converted, remodeled, altered, repaired, enlarged or moved after the date of this Ordinance, until a Fire Safety Certificate of Occupancy shall have been issued by the Fire Marshall.

Section III. **Enforcement and Penalties.** Any person or entity violating any provision of this Ordinance shall be subject to a forfeiture of **\$100.00** (\$100.00 per violation).

Section IV. Severability. The provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed severable, and it is expressly declared that the Town board would have passed the provisions of the Ordinance irrespective of whether one or more provisions may be declared invalid, and if any provision of the Ordinance of the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the remainder of the Ordinance and the application of such provision to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

Section V. Effective Date This Ordinance shall take effect on October 13, 2021. The provisions of the Ordinance shall prevail over any previous ordinances for the Town of Greenfield that are or may be in conflict therewith.


Original Effective Date: 08-14-2002

Date of Amendment to increasing violation amount: **09-08-2021**

Vote For: 2 Vote Against: 0 Not Voting: 0

Date of Resolution to Amend and omit "Prosecution and Imprisonment": 10-13-2021

Vote in Favor: 0 Opposed: 0 Abstain: 0

Signed 
Tom Jacobs, Town Chairman

Signed 
Andy Neubauer, Supervisor # 1

Signed 
Kevin Timm, Supervisor # 2

ATTEST:

Signed 
Jill Murphy, Town Clerk