

CHAPTER 22

Plumbing

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Sec. 22-1. Adoption of *International Plumbing Code*.

That certain document, a copy of which is on file in the office of the City Clerk, being marked and designated as the *International Plumbing Code*, 2003 edition, including Appendix E, Sizing of Water Piping System; and Appendix F, Structure Safety, as published by the International Code Council, be and is hereby adopted as the *Plumbing Code* of the City, regulating and governing the design, construction, quality of materials, erection, installation, alteration, repair, location, relocation, replacement, addition to, use or maintenance of plumbing systems as herein provided; providing for the issuance of permits and collection of fees therefor; and each and all of the regulations, provisions, penalties, conditions and terms of said *Plumbing Code* on file in the office of the City Clerk are hereby referred to, adopted and made a part hereof, as if fully set out in this Article, with the additions, insertions, deletions and changes, if any, prescribed in Section 22-3. (Ord. 677, §1; Ord. 802, 1994; Ord. 914 §1; Ord. 990, §§1, 2 (Part 6))

Sec. 22-2. Reserved.

Sec. 22-3. Amendments to *International Plumbing Code*.

- (a) **Section 101.1, Title**, is hereby amended to read and provide as follows:

"These regulations shall be known as the *Plumbing Code of the City of Fort Morgan, Colorado*, hereinafter referred to as 'the *Plumbing Code*.'"

- (b) **Section 106.6.2, Fee Schedule**, is hereby amended to read and provide as follows:

"The fees for all plumbing work shall be as determined by a Fee Schedule approved by and available from the Building Official. When a plan or other data are required to be submitted for review, the plan review fees for plumbing work shall be equal to sixty-five percent (65%) of the total permit fee for a permit to do the work covered by the *Plumbing Code*. When plans are incomplete or changed so as to require additional plan review, an additional plan review fee shall be charged at the rate which has been established in the **Resolution** establishing such fees."

- (c) **Section 106.6.3, Fee refunds**, is hereby deleted.

- (d) **Section 108.4, Violation penalties**, is hereby deleted.

- (e) **Section 108.5, Stop work orders**, is hereby deleted.

- (f) **Section 109, Means of Appeal**, is hereby deleted.

- (g) **Section 109, Appeals**, is hereby amended to read and provide as follows:

"Appeals shall be heard and determined by the Board of Appeals provided for in Sec. 7-11, *Fort Morgan Municipal Code* (1994)."

- (h) **Section 305.6.1, Sewer depth**, is hereby deleted.

- (i) **Section 904.1, Roof extension**, is hereby amended to read and provide as follows:

"Roof extension. All open vent pipes that extend through a roof shall be terminated at least twelve (12) inches (mm) above the roof, except that where a roof is to be used for any purpose other than weather protection, the vent extensions shall be run at least 7 feet (2,134 mm) above the roof."

(Ord. 677, §3; Ord. 914, §2; Ord. 990, §§1, 2 (Part 6))

Sec. 22-4. Stop work orders.

Upon notice from the Building Official that work on any plumbing system is being done contrary to the provisions of this *Code* or in a dangerous or unsafe manner, such work shall immediately cease. Such notice shall be in writing and shall be given to the owner of the property, or to the owner's agent, or to the person doing the work. The notice shall state the conditions under which work is authorized to resume. Where an emergency exists, the Building Official shall not be required to give a written notice prior to stopping the work. Any person who shall continue any work in or about the structure after having been served with a Stop Work Order, except such work as that person is directed to perform to remove a violation or unsafe condition, shall be liable to a fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00). (Ord. 677, §4; Ord. 914, §3; Ord. 990, §§1, 2 (Part 6))

Sec. 22-5. Plumber's registration required.

It shall be unlawful for any plumber or drain layer to engage in any work in the City or in the business, trade or calling of plumber without having been previously registered by the City Council to engage in such business pursuant to Section 7-29. Registration pursuant to said Section shall expire on December 31st of each year, and shall be renewed only upon advance payment of an annual registration fee in such amount as shall, from time to time, be established by the City Council, unless such trade is exempted from the payment of the registration fee. (Ord. 683, §3; Ord. 990, §§1, 2 (Part 6))

Sec. 22-6. Pipe fitter's license required.

It shall be unlawful for any pipe fitter, who shall be authorized and entitled by law to install appliances, to engage in any work or in the business, trade or calling of pipe fitter in the City without having been previously registered by the City Council to engage in such business pursuant to Section 7-29. Registration pursuant to said Section shall expire on December 31st of each year and shall be renewed only upon advance payment of an annual registration fee in such amount as shall from time to time be established by the City Council, unless such trade is exempted from the payment of the registration fee. (Ord. 683, §4; Ord. 990, §§1, 2 (Part 6))

Sec. 22-7. Reserved.

Sec. 22-8. Inspection of plumbing work.

(a) It shall be unlawful for any person to make any plumbing connection to any water or sewer line or to cover up any plumbing work until a certificate is obtained from the City Manager or his or her deputy showing that such plumbing installation has been inspected and approved.

(b) All architects, owners, agents or contractors shall see that a certificate of inspection from the City Manager is presented before accepting as completed plumbing work of any description. (Ord. 466, §1(part); Ord. 990, §§1, 2 (Part 6); Ord. 1058, §2)

Sec. 22-9. Impeding traffic during excavation.

Trenches in public streets or alleys shall be excavated so as to impede travel as little as possible. The crossing of gutters and all other water ways shall be crossed in such a manner as to admit the ready escape of water. Planks shall be provided and placed in the safest possible manner where sidewalks or crossings are to be opened. (Ord. 466, §1(part); Ord. 990, §§1, 2 (Part 6))

Sec. 22-10. Warning lights and barricades.

Warning lights shall clearly mark any unfinished work at night, and sufficient barricades shall be placed around excavations at all times. (Ord. 466, §1(part); Ord. 990, §§1, 2 (Part 6))

Sec. 22-11. Opening and filling of trenches, restoration.

The opening and filling of trenches shall be done under the supervision of the City Manager, and in the event of settling within one (1) year after being refilled, the City Manager shall require the restoration to grade by the party who originally made such excavation. (Ord. 466, §1(part); Ord. 990, §§1, 2 (Part 6); Ord. 1058, §2)

Sec. 22-12. Penalties.

(a) It shall be unlawful for a person, firm or corporation to erect, construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, improve, remove, convert, demolish, equip, use or maintain any plumbing or permit the same to be done in violation of the *Plumbing Code* or any of the provisions of this Chapter.

(b) Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any of the provisions of the *Plumbing Code*; who shall fail to comply therewith; who shall violate or fail to comply with any order made thereunder; who shall build, construct, fabricate or install anything in violation of any detailed statement of specifications or plans submitted and approved thereunder, or any certificate or permit issued thereunder; who shall fail to comply with such an order within the time fixed therein and from which no appeal has been taken; or who fails to comply with such an order as affirmed or modified by the Board of Appeals or by a Court of competent jurisdiction, within the required time, or any of the provisions of this Chapter, shall severally for each and every such violation and noncompliance, respectively, be guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or by imprisonment for not more than one (1) year, or by both such fine and imprisonment. The imposition of a penalty for any violation shall not excuse the violation or permit it to continue; all such persons shall be required to correct or remedy such violations or defects within a reasonable time; and when not otherwise specified, each separate day or portion thereof, during which any violation of the *Plumbing Code* occurs or continues or that a prohibited condition is maintained shall be deemed to constitute a separate offense and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punishable as herein provided. 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 the *Plumbing Code*. No permit presuming to give authority to violate or

cancel any of the provisions of the *Plumbing Code* shall be valid, except insofar as the work or use which is authorized is lawful.

(c) The issuance or granting of a permit or approval of plans shall not prevent the Building Official 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 the *Plumbing Code* or of any certificate of approval when issued in error. (Ord. 466, §1(part); Ord. 990, §§1, 2 (Part 6))