



Fire Inspection Report with NO VIOLATIONS

Virginia State Fire Marshal's Office

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No Violation Noted During This Inspection

Inspection Number: 250314-01044

Inspection Date: 03/14/2025 09:34:39

Inspector: Bona, Joey

Region Office: Western Region Office 225 State Street Marion, VA 24354

Occupant : Covington Middle School

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With this notice, you are hereby notified that on 03/14/2025 an inspection was conducted by the Virginia State Fire Marshal's Office that identified no fire code violation during this inspection.

Listing of Violations

Violations

315.3.3

Equipment rooms.

Combustible material shall not be stored in boiler rooms, mechanical rooms, elevator machine rooms, electrical equipment rooms or in fire command centers as specified in Section 508.1.5.

Comments: Room 109 electrical room being used as a combustible storage area.

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701.6

Maintenance.

The required fire-resistance rating of fire-resistance-rated construction, including walls, firestops, shaft enclosures, partitions, smoke barriers, floors, protected mass timber elements, fire-resistive coatings, and sprayed fire-resistant materials applied to structural members and fire-resistant joint systems, shall be maintained. Such elements shall be visually inspected by the owner annually and properly repaired, restored, or replaced where damaged, altered, breached, or penetrated. Records of inspections and repairs shall be maintained. Where concealed, such elements shall not be required to be visually inspected by the owner unless the concealed space is accessible by the removal or movement of a panel, access door, ceiling tile, or similar movable entry to the space. Openings made therein for the passage of pipes, electrical conduit, wires, ducts, air transfer openings, and holes made for any reason shall be protected with approved methods

capable of resisting the passage of smoke and fire. Openings through fire-resistance-rated assemblies shall be protected by self-closing or automatic-closing doors of approved construction meeting the fire protection requirements for the assembly.

Exception: When requested by the building owner and approved by the fire official, the visual inspection required by 701.6 may be modified to a time period greater than annually based on the history of the previous inspections.

Comments: Corridor door closing device to Room 109 has been disabled.

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906.1

Where required.

Portable fire extinguishers shall be installed in all of the following locations:

1. In Groups A, B, E, F, H, I, M, R-1, R-4, and S occupancies.

Exceptions:

1. In Groups A, B, and E occupancies equipped throughout with quick response sprinklers, portable fire extinguishers shall be required only in locations specified in Items 2 through 6.

2. In Group I-3 occupancies, portable fire extinguishers shall be permitted to be located at staff locations and the access to such extinguishers shall be permitted to be locked.

2. Within 30 feet (9144 mm) distance of travel from commercial cooking equipment and from domestic cooking equipment in Group I-1; I-2, Condition 1; and R-2 college dormitory occupancies.

3. In areas where flammable or combustible liquids are stored, used or dispensed.

4. On each floor of structures under construction, except Group R-3 occupancies, in accordance with Section 3316.1.

5. Where required by the sections indicated in Table 906.1.

6. Special-hazard areas, including but not limited to laboratories, computer rooms and generator rooms, where required by the fire code official.

Exception: Portable fire extinguishers are not required at normally unmanned Group U occupancy buildings or structures where a portable fire extinguisher suitable to the hazard of the location is provided on the vehicle of visiting personnel.

Note: In existing buildings, whether fire extinguishers are needed is determined by the USBC or other code in effect when such buildings were constructed.

Comments: Portable fire extinguishers are out of date with the annual inspection.

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301.3

Occupancy.

The occupancy of a structure shall be continued as originally permitted under and in full compliance with the codes in force at the time of construction or alteration. The occupancy of a structure shall not change to another occupancy that will subject the structure to any special provisions of this code or the applicable building code without the approval of the building official. Where a certificate of occupancy is not available for a building, the owner or owner's agent may request that one be issued by the building official and retained on site for reference.

Comments: 113 kitchen lab oven has been relocated with out approval of local building Official.

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1032.2

Reliability.

Unless otherwise permitted by the applicable building code, required exit accesses, exits, and exit discharges shall be continuously maintained free from obstructions or impediments to full instant use in the case of fire or other emergency where the building area served by the means of egress is occupied. An exit or exit passageway shall not be used for any purpose that interferes with a means of egress.

Comments: Exit corridor by gym out to Burton field being used for storage.

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1032.10

Emergency lighting equipment inspection and testing.

Emergency lighting shall be maintained in accordance with Section 108 and shall be inspected and tested in accordance with Sections 1032.10.1 and 1032.10.2.

Comments: Emergency light in the Gym is broken and not being maintained.

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Comments: Gym main entrance foyer exit corridor used as a storage area.

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404.2.2

Fire safety plans.

Fire safety plans shall include the following:

- 1.The procedure for reporting a fire or other emergency.
- 2.The life safety strategy including the following:
 - 2.1.Procedures for notifying occupants, including areas with a private mode alarm system.
 - 2.2.Procedures for occupants under a defend-in-place response.
 - 2.3.Procedures for evacuating occupants, including those who need evacuation assistance.
- 3.Site plans indicating the following:
 - 3.1.The occupancy assembly point.
 - 3.2.The locations of fire hydrants.
 - 3.3.The normal routes of fire department vehicle access.
- 4.Floor plans identifying the locations of the following:
 - 4.1.Exits.
 - 4.2.Primary evacuation routes.
 - 4.3.Secondary evacuation routes.
 - 4.4.Accessible egress routes.
 - 4.4.1.Areas of refuge.
 - 4.4.2.Exterior areas for assisted rescue.

- 4.5. Refuge areas associated with smoke barriers and horizontal exits.
- 4.6. Manual fire alarm boxes.
- 4.7. Portable fire extinguishers.
- 4.8. Occupant-use hose stations.
- 4.9. Fire alarm annunciators and controls.
- 5. A list of major fire hazards associated with the normal use and occupancy of the premises, including maintenance and housekeeping procedures.
- 6. Identification and assignment of personnel responsible for maintenance of systems and equipment installed to prevent or control fires.
- 7. Identification and assignment of personnel responsible for maintenance, housekeeping and controlling fuel hazard sources.

Comments: Room 212 and 306 evacuation map is missing.

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705.2

Inspection and maintenance.

Opening protectives in fire-resistance-rated assemblies shall be inspected and maintained in accordance with NFPA 80. Opening protectives in smoke barriers shall be inspected and maintained in accordance with NFPA 80 and NFPA 105. Openings in smoke partitions shall be inspected and maintained in accordance with NFPA 105. Fire doors and smoke and draft control doors shall not be blocked, obstructed, or otherwise made inoperable. Fusible links shall be replaced promptly whenever fused or damaged. Opening protectives and smoke and draft control doors shall not be modified.

Comments: Corridor fire doors outside of Auditorium 2nd floor do not close and latch automatically.

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Comments: Cooking equipment in library not approved by local building Official.

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603.5.2

Application and use.

Relocatable power taps and current taps shall be directly connected to a permanently installed receptacle.

Exceptions:

1. Where approved for use in a Group A occupancy or in a meeting room in a Group B occupancy, not more than five relocatable power taps shall be permitted to be connected together or connected to an extension cord for temporary use to supply power to electronic equipment.
2. Current taps and relocatable power taps shall not be required to connect directly to a permanently installed receptacle

outlet where used for 90 days or less for the purpose of testing the performance of such devices.

Comments: Power strips not plugged directly into receptacles in the SRO office and IT area.

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903.5

Testing and maintenance.

Automatic sprinkler systems shall be tested and maintained in accordance with Section 901.

Comments: Ceiling tile missing in the IT area.

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705.2

Inspection and maintenance.

Opening protectives in

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Comments: Documentation could not be provided to show that the rated fire doors have been inspected annually as required.

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407.3

Identification.

Individual containers of hazardous materials, cartons or packages shall be marked or labeled in accordance with applicable federal regulations. Buildings, rooms and spaces containing hazardous materials shall be identified by hazard warning signs in accordance with Section 5003.5.

Comments: Waste cooking oil container not properly label in accordance with section 5003.5.

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A building in compliance with the Virginia Fire Prevention Code is a safe building.

Thank you for maintaining and safe building.

Additional Documentation

Inspection Documents

Signature

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