Business License Fire Inspection Requirements

- Provide at least one 2A:10BC or larger fire extinguisher within 75 feet of travel distance. Existing fire extinguishers are to be serviced and tagged within the past year.

- Address numbers shall be visible, contrast with their background, and be legible from street fronting the property.

- Exit doors must be openable from the inside by a single motion, no key or special knowledge required. Panic hardware may be required for certain occupancies such as assembly and educational occupancies.

- Maintain lighted exit signs and exit way lighting.

- Exit paths must be clear of storage and obstructions.

- Extension cords shall not be used as a substitute for permanent wiring.

- An electrical permit is required to install any new electrical. (obtain permits from the Building Department).

- Surge protectors shall be connected directly to an outlet.

- Maintain 30-inch clearance in front of all electrical panels.

- Storage of products shall be maintained at least 24 inches below ceilings in un-sprinklered buildings or 18 inches below ceilings in building with fire sprinklers.

- Trash dumpsters shall not be stored in buildings or placed within 5 feet of combustible walls, openings or under combustible roof eaves, unless protected by fire sprinklers.

- Flammable or combustible gases or liquids shall not be stored in or near exit ways or stairways.

- Compressed gas cylinders must be secured to prevent cylinders from falling or being knocked over.

- Fire alarm systems shall be inspected, tested and certified annually by a fire alarm contractor (C-10 contractor).

- Fire sprinkler systems shall be inspected, tested and certified every 5-years by a fire sprinkler contractor (C-16 contractor).

Please note, these are general code requirements, depending on your business type other codes may be applied at the time of your fire inspection.

**It is the responsibility of the business owner to call the fire inspector listed below for a fire inspection. Your business license will not be issued until you have received a fire clearance from the fire department.**

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