



Yuma County Department of Development Services

2351 W. 26th Street, Yuma, AZ 85364

Deficiencies Found During Fire Inspections

Below is a list of common deficiencies found during fire inspections:

1. Portable fire extinguishers must be inspected by certified personnel every 12 months, replaced when missing or stolen, recharged when units have been discharged and accessible at all times.
2. Emergency lighting systems need to be maintained and should be tested every month and load tested for at least 30 minutes every year.
3. Missing or burnt out light bulbs within "EXIT" signs or lights must be replaced and illuminated at all times.
4. Fire Alarm and Fire Sprinkler Systems must be inspected every 6 to 12 months by certified personnel.
5. Extension cords and multi-plug adaptors are prohibited in commercial occupancies. Using fused outlet strips that plug directly into the wall outlet are acceptable.
6. There must be clearance of 30 inches between electrical panels and storage.
7. Combustibles cannot be stored within 24 inches of the ceiling or within 18 inches of a sprinkler head.
8. Holes in walls or ceilings must be repaired.
9. Damaged doors and their hardware must be repaired, replaced and maintained when they are part of a required fire separation.
10. "EXIT" hallways, stairwells and doors must be kept free of obstructions. These areas are to remain free of combustible storage.
11. Fire Alarm Panels, Fire Sprinklers, Fire Sprinkler Valves and Standpipe Connections must be accessible at all times. Storage of materials is not allowed in these areas.
12. Outside Fire Department Sprinkler Connections and Fire Lanes must be kept free of obstructions.
13. An address must be provided for the front of the building and a back door must have the business name or address.
14. Combustible storage cannot be located in the boiler, electrical, furnace, elevator and laundry rooms.
15. Propane cylinders larger than one pound cannot be stored inside a building.

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