



✕ Violation Notice and Order to Correct

L&I File Number: CF-2024-077186



DISTRICT OFFICE

Fire Safety East District
3RD FLR
667 N Broad St
Philadelphia, PA 19123
215-685-3917

PROPERTY IN VIOLATION

301 W HUNTING PARK AVE, Philadelphia, PA 19140-2625

DATE OF NOTICE

07/20/2024

On 07/19/2024 the Department of Licenses and Inspections inspected/investigated the property in violation and found the following condition(s) or activity which violate the Philadelphia Code. Based on these the property is deemed:

IN VIOLATION

The property will remain in this status until all the violations below are corrected and the Department of Licenses and Inspections has verified the corrective action. You are the person responsible for the correction of these violations.

Any permit or license obtained to comply a violation of working without or in excess of a permit or a license will result in an additional inspection fee equal to the cost of the permit or license. (Phila. Code § A-901.13)

YOU ARE ORDERED TO MAKE THE NECESSARY REPAIRS AND/OR TAKE THE NECESSARY ACTION(S) TO CORRECT THE CITED CONDITIONS PRIOR TO 08/23/2024

VIOLATIONS

PHILA. CODE § F-901.6.4	FINE AMOUNT \$300.00	SCAN QR CODE FOR HOW TO RESOLVE 
PHILA. CODE LANGUAGE The testing of fire protection systems shall be in accordance with Sections 901.6 and F-901.6.4 through F-901.6.4.8.1. Annually the owner of each building that contains fire protection systems shall have such systems certified as operating properly by a person certified or licensed by the Department of Licenses and Inspections to provide such certifications in accordance with this Section. Certification forms shall be maintained on the property and made available for inspection upon the request of a fire code official. The certification form shall be submitted to the Department of Licenses and Inspections which may, by regulation, establish a fee to be paid upon submission of the form.		
CONDITION IN VIOLATION Have fire alarm inspected and certified by an approved contractor. The contractor must electronically submit the certification to the Department.		
LOCATION ESPERANZA ACADEMY H.S.		



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PHILA. CODE § F-405.5	FINE AMOUNT \$300.00	SCAN QR CODE FOR HOW TO RESOLVE 
PHILA. CODE LANGUAGE Records shall be maintained of required emergency evacuation drills and include the following information: 1. Identity of the person conducting the drill. 2. Date and time of the drill. 3. Notification method used. 4. Employees on duty and participating. 5. Number of occupants evacuated. 6. Special conditions simulated. 7. Problems encountered.		
CONDITION IN VIOLATION The record of drills must contain the required information.		
LOCATION ESPERANZA ACADEMY H.S.		

PHILA. CODE § F-1104.28	FINE AMOUNT \$300.00	SCAN QR CODE FOR HOW TO RESOLVE 
PHILA. CODE LANGUAGE Exit doors in existing buildings shall be self-closing and latching and in accordance with Sections F-1104.28.1 and F-1104.28.2		
CONDITION IN VIOLATION Remove doorstops on all stairway doors.		
LOCATION ESPERANZA ACADEMY H.S.		

PHILA. CODE § F-912.2.2	FINE AMOUNT \$300.00	SCAN QR CODE FOR HOW TO RESOLVE 
PHILA. CODE LANGUAGE On existing buildings, wherever the fire department connection is not visible to approaching fire apparatus, the fire department connection shall be indicated by an approved sign mounted on the street front or on the side of the building. Such sign shall have the letters "FDC" not less than 6 inches (152 mm) high and words in letters not less than 2 inches (51 mm) high or an arrow to indicate the location. Such signs shall be subject to the approval of the fire code official.		
CONDITION IN VIOLATION Install directional sign along Hunting Park Ave showing location of the FDC		
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PHILA. CODE LANGUAGE Swinging fire doors shall close from the full-open position and latch automatically.			
CONDITION IN VIOLATION Door to elevator room on 2nd floor must be self closing and latch shut.			
LOCATION ESPERANZA ACADEMY H.S. 2nd floor			

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CONDITION IN VIOLATION Door to 2nd floor Boiler Room must be self closing and latch shut. Remove door stop.			
LOCATION ESPERANZA ACADEMY H.S. 2nd floor			

PHILA. CODE § F-901.6		FINE AMOUNT \$300.00	SCAN QR CODE FOR HOW TO RESOLVE 
PHILA. CODE LANGUAGE Fire detection and alarm systems, emergency alarm systems, gas detection systems, fire-extinguishing systems, mechanical smoke exhaust systems and smoke and heat vents shall be maintained in an operative condition at all times, and shall be replaced or repaired where defective. Nonrequired fire protection systems and equipment shall be inspected, tested and maintained or removed.			
CONDITION IN VIOLATION Sprinkler heads are blocked by duct work in water supply room.			
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CONDITION IN VIOLATION Replace cover on sprinkler flow switch on sprinkler riser in old gym.		
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CONDITION IN VIOLATION Replace flow switch cover on sprinkler riser in room 1-0		
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CONDITION IN VIOLATION Repair smoke detector hanging above Art closet in old gym.		
LOCATION ESPERANZA ACADEMY H.S. 1st floor		

PHILA. CODE § F-1104.31	FINE AMOUNT \$300.00	SCAN QR CODE FOR HOW TO RESOLVE 
PHILA. CODE LANGUAGE Swinging doors in Group A or E occupancies with an occupant load of 50 or more and Group H occupancies of any number shall be provided with panic hardware on the egress side of the door.		
CONDITION IN VIOLATION Install panic hardware on exit door next to stage in the Auditorium.		
LOCATION ESPERANZA ACADEMY H.S. Auditorium.		

PHILA. CODE § F-1031.4	FINE AMOUNT \$1,000.00	SCAN QR CODE FOR HOW TO RESOLVE 
PHILA. CODE LANGUAGE Exit signs shall be installed and maintained in accordance with the building code that was in effect at the time of construction and the applicable provisions in Section 1104. Decorations, furnishings, equipment or adjacent signage that impairs the visibility of exit signs, creates confusion or prevents identification of the exit shall not be allowed.		
CONDITION IN VIOLATION Add directional exit signs to guide people form the Auditorium exit door next to stage to the exit discharge door.		
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PHILA. CODE § F-906.2	FINE AMOUNT \$300.00	SCAN QR CODE FOR HOW TO RESOLVE 
PHILA. CODE LANGUAGE Portable fire extinguishers shall be selected, installed and maintained in accordance with this section and NFPA 10.		
CONDITION IN VIOLATION Add extinguishers to Auditorium and stage area.		
LOCATION ESPERANZA ACADEMY H.S. Auditorium		

PHILA. CODE § F-106.8	FINE AMOUNT \$1,000.00	SCAN QR CODE FOR HOW TO RESOLVE 
PHILA. CODE LANGUAGE Obstruction of aisles, passageways or other means of egress constitutes a violation of this code. Upon finding any obstruction in an aisle, passageway or other means of egress, or upon finding any condition that constitutes a life safety hazard, the fire code official, in addition to any other remedy under this code, is authorized to cause any event or activity to be stopped until such condition or obstruction is corrected.		
CONDITION IN VIOLATION Remove storage at rear exits of the Auditorium.		
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PHILA. CODE § F-807.2	FINE AMOUNT \$300.00	SCAN QR CODE FOR HOW TO RESOLVE 
PHILA. CODE LANGUAGE In Groups A, B, E, I, M and R-1 and in dormitories in Group R-2, curtains, draperies, fabric hangings and other similar combustible decorative materials suspended from walls or ceilings shall comply with Section 807.3 and shall not exceed 10 percent of the specific wall or ceiling area to which such materials are attached. Fixed or movable walls and partitions, paneling, wall pads and crash pads applied structurally or for decoration, acoustical correction, surface insulation or other purposes shall be considered to be interior finish, shall comply with Section 803 and shall not be considered decorative materials or furnishings.		
CONDITION IN VIOLATION Provide documentation of flame proofing of curtains in the Auditorium.		
LOCATION ESPERANZA ACADEMY H.S. Auditorium		



Failure to timely correct the violations listed above by or before the correction date listed above will result in the stated fine amount being imposed against you. The fines will be imposed on a per day basis for each violation that remains uncorrected AFTER the stated correction date. Phila. Code § A-601. If you timely correct each violation by the stated correction date, no fines will be due.

In addition to the fines listed above, failure to timely correct the violations will result in you being charged:

- Labor and material costs for any work performed by the City, such as a demolition; sealing of windows or doors; clearing of weeds, trash or debris; relocation expenses for removing occupants, costs associated with cease operations orders. Such costs are subject to an additional administrative fee of 21% (Phila. Code § A-503);
- An additional \$100 fee for repeat abatement work (Phila. Code § A-503.2); and
- Reinspection fees as follows: \$100 for the third inspection, \$200 for the fourth inspection, and \$350 for any additional inspections (Phila. Code § A-901.12.2).



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YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO APPEAL THIS NOTICE. YOUR APPEAL MUST BE FILED BY 11/21/2024.

IF YOU DO NOT TIMELY FILE AN APPEAL THEN YOU WAIVE YOUR RIGHT TO LATER CHALLENGE ANY PART OF THIS NOTICE. This includes waiving your right to argue: whether the violations existed, whether you were responsible to correct the violations, whether you had enough time to correct the violations, whether the City should have abated the violations, and whether the City can impose fines, fees, or costs against you.

For more information on filing an appeal and/or to obtain the approved form visit the appeals section of the Department of Licenses and Inspections website at www.phila.gov/li or the Boards Administration Unit, 11th Floor Municipal Services Building, 1401 J.F.K. Blvd., Philadelphia PA.

Appeals of the Technical Codes, such as the Zoning Code and/or Fire Code, need to be submitted to the appropriate Technical Appeal Board such as the Zoning Board of Adjustment and/or the Board of Safety and Fire Prevention. For additional information call 215-686-8686.

IF YOU HAVE ANY LEGAL QUESTIONS YOU SHOULD CONSULT WITH AN ATTORNEY.

If you do not have an attorney, you can contact the Philadelphia Bar Association Referral and Information Line at 215-238-6333 to have an attorney referred to you. You can also find a list of legal aid service providers at <http://palegalaid.net/legal-aid-providers-in-pa>.



The Philadelphia Code may be found online for free at www.phila.gov under "Open government."

If you have any questions regarding this notice or would like to schedule a re-inspection, please contact: ANTHONY GONZALEZ Anthony.Gonzalez@phila.gov or the district office noted above.

ATTENTION: This is an important notice! For information in your language, call 215-686-8686

ATENCIÓN: ¡Este es un aviso Importante! Para recibir información en su idioma, llame al 215-686-8686

注意: 这是重要通知! 如果您需要以您的语言获得此信息, 请致电 215-686-8686

CHÚ Ý: Đây là thông báo quan trọng! Nếu bạn cần thư này bằng ngôn ngữ khác, vui lòng gọi 215-686-8686

주의: 중요 통지입니다! 이 서신을 귀하의 언어로 받고 싶으시면 215-686-8686번으로 전화하시기 바랍니다

توجہ فرمائیں: یہ ایک ضروری اطلاع نامہ ہے! ترجمے کی خدمات کے لیے 215-686-8686 پر کال کریں

ATTENTION : Cet avis est important ! Si vous avez besoin de cet avis dans une autre langue, appelez le 215-686-8686