

✕ Violation Notice and Order to Correct

L&I File Number: CF-2025-086810



DISTRICT OFFICE

Business Compliance Unit
1512-14 Cecil B Moore Ave
Philadelphia, PA 19121
215-686-2414

PROPERTY IN VIOLATION

4178 GERMANTOWN AVE, Philadelphia, PA 19140-2946

DATE OF NOTICE

08/16/2025

On 08/15/2025 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 09/19/2025

VIOLATIONS

PHILA. CODE § A-301.1/65	FINE AMOUNT \$300.00	SCAN QR CODE FOR HOW TO RESOLVE 
PHILA. CODE LANGUAGE A use registration permit is required for every new use commenced on any land or in any structure. Return the subject premise to its approved usage or secure the proper permit for its present use.		
CONDITION IN VIOLATION OBTAIN ZONING AND/OR USE REGISTRATION PERMIT FOR CURRENT USE (1ST FL TAKE-OUT RESTAURANT W/BEAUTY SALON ON 1ST & 2ND FLS AND RESIDENTIAL ON 3RD FL) OR RETURN PROPERTY TO ITS APPROVE USE (1ST FL & CELLAR EAT-IN RESTAURANT W/FOOD, DANCING, LIVE ENTERTAINMENT W/STORAGE IN CELLAR W/2 EXISTING APARTMENTS)		
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PHILA. CODE § 6-301(4)(a)(.2)	FINE AMOUNT \$300.00	SCAN QR CODE FOR HOW TO RESOLVE 
PHILA. CODE LANGUAGE For food establishments with permanent location where the primary business is the regular and customary preparation and sale of food for consumption on or off the premises, including but not limited to, eating and drinking establishments and caterers. For establishments that do not have thirty or more seats regularly available for and accessible to customers to consume food on the premises.		
CONDITION IN VIOLATION OBTAIN FOOD LICENSE		
LOCATION 4178 GERMANTOWN AVE (VENUS CARIBBEAN RESTAURANT)		
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 A LICENSED CONTRACTOR UPLOAD THE CURRENT FIRE ALARM CERTIFICATION TO THE ECLIPSE SYSTEM		
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PHILA. CODE § F-906.7	FINE AMOUNT \$300.00	SCAN QR CODE FOR HOW TO RESOLVE 
PHILA. CODE LANGUAGE Hand-held portable fire extinguishers, not housed in cabinets, shall be installed on the hangers or brackets supplied. Hangers or brackets shall be securely anchored to the mounting surface in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions.		
CONDITION IN VIOLATION K-TYPE KITCHEN FIRE EXTINGUISHER SHALL BE MOUNTED		
LOCATION 4178 GERMANTOWN AVE (VENUS CARIBBEAN RESTAURANT) (KITCHEN AREA)		
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 FIRE EXTINGUISHER SHALL BE SERVICED AND TAGGED		
LOCATION 4178 GERMANTOWN AVE (BASEMENT)		
PHILA. CODE § F-604.6	FINE AMOUNT \$300.00	SCAN QR CODE FOR HOW TO RESOLVE 
PHILA. CODE LANGUAGE Open junction boxes and open-wiring splices shall be prohibited. Approved covers shall be provided for all switch and electrical outlet boxes.		
CONDITION IN VIOLATION PROVIDE COVERS FOR ELECTRICAL PANEL BOXES		
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PHILA. CODE § F-604.3	FINE AMOUNT \$300.00	SCAN QR CODE FOR HOW TO RESOLVE 
PHILA. CODE LANGUAGE A working space of not less than 30 inches (762 mm) in width, 36 inches (914 mm) in depth and 78 inches (1981 mm) in height shall be provided in front of electrical service equipment. Where the electrical service equipment is wider than 30 inches (762 mm), the working space shall be not less than the width of the equipment. Storage of materials shall not be located within the designated working space.		
CONDITION IN VIOLATION REMOVE STORAGE OBSTRUCTING ELECTRICAL PANEL BOXES		
LOCATION 4178 GERMANTOWN AVE (BASEMENT)		

PHILA. CODE § F-604.5	FINE AMOUNT \$300.00	SCAN QR CODE FOR HOW TO RESOLVE 
PHILA. CODE LANGUAGE Extension cords and flexible cords shall not be a substitute for permanent wiring and shall be listed and labeled in accordance with UL 817. Extension cords and flexible cords shall not be affixed to structures, extended through walls, ceilings or floors, or under doors or floor coverings, nor shall such cords be subject to environmental damage or physical impact. Extension cords shall be used only with portable appliances. Extension cords marked for indoor use shall not be used outdoors.		
CONDITION IN VIOLATION ALL EXTENSION CORDS SHALL BE REMOVED		
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PHILA. CODE § F-907.4.2.4	FINE AMOUNT \$300.00	SCAN QR CODE FOR HOW TO RESOLVE 
PHILA. CODE LANGUAGE Where fire alarm systems are not monitored by a supervising station, an approved permanent sign shall be installed adjacent to each manual fire alarm box that reads: WHEN ALARM SOUNDS—CALL FIRE DEPARTMENT.		
CONDITION IN VIOLATION PROVIDE 911 SIGNAGE ABOVE PULL STATION(S)		
LOCATION 4178 GERMANTOWN AVE (VENUS CARIBBEAN RESTAURANT)		



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).



YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO APPEAL THIS NOTICE. YOUR APPEAL MUST BE FILED BY 09/15/2025.

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, Concourse 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>.

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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: FRANCINE GRIFFIN Francine.Griffin@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 فرمائیے: 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

