

PLUMBING CODE ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF JAMES CITY COUNTY, VIRGINIA, AS FOLLOWS, to-wit:

SECTION 1. ADOPTION

There is hereby adopted by reference for the purpose of establishing rules and regulations for every plumbing installation, including alterations, repairs, replacement, equipment, appliances, fixtures, fittings and/or appurtenances thereto, and/or when connected to the water or sewerage system, including permit and penalties, that certain plumbing code, recommended by the Southern Standard Building Code Congress, being particularly the 1967 Edition thereof and the 1970 Amendments thereto, and the whole thereof, save and except such portions as are hereinafter deleted, modified or amended, and such plumbing code is hereby adopted and incorporated as fully as if set out at length herein and, from the date on which this ordinance shall take effect, the provisions thereof shall be controlling in the installation, repairing or altering of plumbing within the limits of the County. Copies of such code and the amendments thereto may be obtained at the office of the Executive Secretary of James City County, Virginia, during normal business hours of the County.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENTS

A. Section 109 is amended to read as follows:

SECTION 109.1 GENERAL

No person shall engage in the business of installing, repairing or altering plumbing unless the work performed in the course of such business is under the direct supervision of a certified plumbing contractor.

SECTION 109.2 PLUMBERS EXAMINING BOARD

There is hereby established a plumber's examining board to be composed of five members as follows:

- (a) The plumbing inspector.
- (b) A representative of the Health Department.
- (c) A plumbing contractor.
- (d) A journeyman plumber.
- (e) A representative of the public.

Both the plumbing contractor and the journeyman plumber shall have had five years' experience in their field. The member of the plumber's examining board, except for the plumbing inspector, shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors, each for a term of one year. The plumber's examining board shall elect a chairman from the membership of the board. The plumbing inspector shall act as secretary of the board and shall keep an official record of all its transactions.

SECTION 109.3 QUALIFICATION OF PLUMBERS

No person, firm or corporation shall engage in business as a plumbing contractor in the County unless such person or some member of such firm or corporation or a bona fide employee for such person firm or corporation shall have received a certificate of competence as a plumbing contractor as required in this section.

No person shall work as a journeyman plumber in the County unless he shall have received a certificate of competence as a journeyman plumber as required in this section.

Any person desiring to take an examination from the plumber's examining board for a certificate of competence as a plumbing

contractor or as a journeyman plumber shall file a written application with the Board for such examination. The fee for examination for a plumbing contractor's and journeyman plumber's certificate of competence shall be twenty-five (\$25.00) and ten dollars (\$10.00), respectively. (This sentence amended by the Board of Supervisors February 8, 1971.) Payment of such fees shall accompany the application.

The plumber's examining board shall establish standards and procedures for the qualification, examination and certification of plumbing contractors and journeyman plumbers and shall issue an appropriate certificate of competence to each person who meets the qualifications therefor and successfully passes the examination given by the board.

The examination by the plumber's examining board of any person desiring to work as a plumbing contractor or journeyman plumber within the County shall test the knowledge of the person being examined as to both the theory and the practice of plumbing installation and shall be based on the plumbing code adopted by Section 1 of this ordinance.

All certificates of competence issued by the plumber's examining board shall expire on December 31 of the year in which issued, but may be renewed upon payment of a renewal fee in the amount of ten dollars (\$10.00) for master's and five dollars (\$5.00) for journeyman. (Amended by the Board of Supervisors February 8, 1971.)

SECTION 3. INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES REPEALED

Ordinances or parts thereof in force at the time this ordinance shall take effect and inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.