

15.12.105.6 Amendment of Section 105.6.

Section 105.6 of the International Fire Code shall be amended to read as follows:

105.6 Required operational permits. The purpose of a fire code permit is to protect the general public by identifying those activities, operations, practices or functions that in and of themselves are sufficiently hazardous to create a distinct fire or life safety hazard warranting special inspection, attention or consideration by the fire prevention bureau. Regardless of whether or not a specific activity, operation, practice or function was legally or illegally in existence or occurring prior to the adoption of this code, a permit shall be obtained annually from the bureau of fire prevention prior to engaging in or continuing any of the following activities, operations, practices or functions:

Subsections 105.6.1 through 105.6.46 of the IFC are adopted and incorporated by reference. For all known occupancies requiring operational permits as outlined in Subsections 105.6.1 through 105.6.46, the fire code official shall conduct an **annual** inspection, collect an inspection fee as set out in Table 6.120.040(12), and issue an operational permit following correction of any documented deficiencies that are deemed necessary. It shall be the responsibility of the owner or operator of the business to notify the fire prevention bureau and schedule inspections for operational permits when required or due for reissuance. The frequency of inspections within occupancies requiring operational permits shall be every one (1), two, (2), or three (3) years as determined by criteria established by the Fire Marshal and approved by the Clark County Council.

Upon receipt of payment of applicable inspection fees, the fire code official shall issue all permits required by the fire code on an approved form furnished for that purpose. The permit shall contain a general description of the operation or occupancy, its location and any other information required by the fire code official. Issued permits shall bear the signature of the fire marshal or his/her designee and shall be on the premises readily available for inspection.

Failure to obtain operational permits as required by this code may result in penalties up to and including an order from the county to discontinue those operations requiring such permits.

15.12.106.2 Amendment of Section 106.2.

Section 106.2 of the International Fire Code shall be amended to read as follows:

106.2 Inspections. The fire code official is authorized to conduct such inspections as are deemed necessary to determine the extent of compliance with the provisions of this code and to verify reports of inspection by approved agencies or individuals. Within unincorporated Clark County, fire prevention personnel will inspect ~~no more frequently than on an annual basis, existing structures, other than those outlined in 105.6.1 through 105.6.46 used for commercial assisted living facilities, multiple family dwellings, transient lodging, and those occupancies inhabited or occupied by the disabled or vulnerable populations to ensure compliance with local fire and building codes.~~ all existing businesses every one (1), two (2), or three (3) years. The frequency of inspections within these businesses shall be as determined by criteria established by the Fire Marshal and approved by the Clark County Council. The fire code official is authorized to charge fees for the inspections conducted within existing structures as outlined in Clark County Code Table 6.120.040(12).

All reports of such inspections shall be prepared and submitted in writing for review and approval. Inspection reports shall be certified by a responsible officer of such approved agency or by the responsible individual. The fire code official is authorized to engage such expert opinion as deemed necessary to report upon unusual, detailed or complex technical issues subject to the approval of the governing body.