

TOWN OF ALTO
FOND DU LAC COUNTY, WISCONSIN

An Ordinance Adopting State Fire Codes, Providing Authority and Processes for Fire Inspections, and Designating Penalties for Violations

Section 1. Authority

The Town of Alto adopts this ordinance pursuant to the authority granted under Wisconsin Statutes § 60.22(3), 61.34, and 101.14(2)

Section 2. Fire Protection Codes

- A. Applicability. Every public building, public structure, and place of employment in the Town shall conform to the following requirements.
- B. Adopted Codes. The following chapters of the Wisconsin Administrative Code are adopted and incorporated in this chapter by reference, including all amendments thereto:

SPS	361-366	Commercial Building Code
SPS	375-379	Buildings Constructed Prior to 1914
SPS	314	Fire Prevention
SPS	328	Smoke Detectors and Carbon Monoxide Detectors
SPS	330	Fire Department Safety and Health Standards
SPS	340	Gas Systems

Section 3. Definitions

Definitions. Terms used in this Ordinance shall have the meanings as defined in the specific Administrative Code section being enforced.

Section 4. Purpose

This ordinance is created by the Town of Alto Town Board with the intent of providing authority for fire inspections to be completed as directed under Wisconsin Statutes, to enhance the health, safety, and good order of the community, and to provide authority to enforce violations of fire regulations in the Town.

Section 5. Fire Inspections

1. Michael Beer, City of Waupun Fire Inspector, is the Town of Alto's fire protection provider and shall provide for the inspection of every public building and place of employment as required by Wisconsin Statutes§ 101.14(2)(b) either by providing or contracting for fire inspection services.
2. The fire inspector, or his/her designee, shall be granted free access to any public building, public structure or place of employment within the town at any reasonable time for the purpose of making fire inspections. No person shall hinder or obstruct the fire inspector in the performance of official duties or refuse to observe any lawful direction given by the town fire inspector.
3. If consent to enter personal or real properties that are not public buildings or portions of public buildings that are not open to the public has been denied, the fire inspector shall obtain a special inspection warrant under Wisconsin Statutes§ 66.0119 and 66.0119(3).
4. When a fire inspection report has identified violations or non-compliance issues, it shall be the obligation of the fire chief, or his/ her designee, to follow up on such violation or non-compliance issues to seek compliance and resolution of any violations identified.
5. The first follow-up re-inspection shall be free of charge. Each subsequent inspection for the same violation will be charged on a sliding scale starting at \$100.00, going up \$50.00 per inspection, to a maximum of \$500.00.
6. The Fire Chief, law enforcement or the Town Board are provided authority to issue citations for failure to comply with the state fire codes based the inspection results provided by Michael Beer, City of Waupun Fire Inspector.

Section 6. Penalties

If the Town determines after an inspection of a public building or place of employment that a violation of the Wisconsin Building Code exists, and that the owner has failed to correct such violation within fifteen (15) days after notice thereof, then the owner of such building shall forfeit up to \$200.00. Each day a violation continues shall constitute a separate offense. Any person subject to forfeiture under this section shall also be responsible for all court costs, disbursements of the town for prosecution costs, and the actual and reasonable costs of prosecution including reasonable attorney fees.

Section 7. Effective Date

This ordinance shall become effective upon its publication and/or posting in the manner set forth in Wis. Stat. § 60.80.

Dated this 11th day of December, 2023.

TOWN OF ALTO

By: Brian Tenpas
Brian Tenpas, Chairperson

Attest:

Tonya M. Bruins
Tonya Bruins, Town Clerk