

Central Valley Fire District Adoption of the 2012 International Fire Code With Amendments

The Central Valley Fire District adopts and incorporates, by reference, the International Fire Code 2012 Edition (2012 IFC) with the additions and amendments enumerated in this document.

If there is any conflict between the IFC and the Montana Code Annotated, the provisions of the Montana Code Annotated control. Further, if there is any conflict between the construction standards in the IFC and construction standards set forth in the building code adopted by the State of Montana, the provisions of the Montana adopted building code control.

CHAPTER 1 **ADMINISTRATION**

Section 101.1 Title is amended as follows:

These regulations shall be known as the Fire Code of *Central Valley Fire District*, hereinafter referred to as "this code".

Section 105.6 through 105.7.16 are not adopted except for those sections in 105 listed below.

Section 105.6.2 Amusement building is amended as follows:

Amusement building *and events*. An operational permit is required for any amusement building *or event*.

Section 105.6.4 Carnivals and fairs. An operational permit is required to conduct a carnival or fair.

Section 105.6.14 Explosives. An operational permit is required for the manufacture, storage, handling, sale or use of any quantity of explosives, explosive materials, fireworks or pyrotechnic special effects within the scope of Chapter 56.

NOTE: The exception remains included.

Section 105.6.20 Hazardous materials An operational permit is required to store, transport on site, dispense, use or handle hazardous materials in excess of the amounts listed in Table 105.6.20.

Section 105.6.23 Hot work operations is amended as follows:

An operational permit is required for #4 only. All other references in 105.6.23 are not adopted.

4. Hot work, *including grinding*, conducted within a wildfire risk area *during burn restrictions*.

Section 105.6.30. An operational permit is required for the kindling or maintaining of an open fire or a fire on any public street, alley, road, or other public or private ground. Instructions and stipulations adopted by Gallatin County will apply.

Exception: Recreational Fires. By definition a recreational fire is contained in a non-combustible container or barricade and shall not measure greater than three (3) feet by three (3) feet by three feet high.

Section 105.6.43 Temporary membrane structures and tents. An operational permit is required to operate an air supported temporary member structure or a tent having an area in excess of 400 square feet.

NOTE: All exceptions remain.

Section 108.1 Board of Appeals established is amended as follows:

In order to hear and decide appeals of order, decisions or determinations made by the fire code official relative to the application and interpretation of this code, there shall be and is hereby created a board of appeals. The board of appeals shall be the Fire District Board of Trustees. The fire code official shall be an ex officio member of said board only at such times when the board is reviewing a presented appeal. The fire code official has no vote on any matter before the board. The board shall adopt rules of procedure for conducting its business, and shall render all decisions and findings in writing to the appellant with a duplicate copy to the fire code official.

Section 108.2 Limitations of authority remains the same with the following added sentence:

Rulings by the Board of Appeals shall be binding upon the Fire District and the appellants. All rulings made by the Board of Appeals shall be only for the appellant and shall not be intended as a general change in this Code.

Section 109.4 Violation penalties is amended as follows:

Persons who violate a provision of this code or fail to comply with any of the requirements thereof, or who shall erect, install, alter, repair or perform work in violation of the approved construction documents or directive of the fire code official, or of a permit or certificate obtained under provisions of this Code, shall be *guilty of a misdemeanor offense, punishable by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or by imprisonment not exceeding 30 days, or both such fine and imprisonment. Each day that a violation continues after due notice has been served shall be deemed a separate offense.*

Section 111.4 Failure to comply is amended as follows:

Any person who continues any work after having been served with a stop work order, except such work as that person is directed to perform to remove a violation or unsafe condition, *shall be guilty of a misdemeanor offense, punishable by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or by imprisonment not exceeding 30 days, or both such fine and imprisonment.*

CHAPTER 5
FIRE SERVICE FEATURES

Section 505.1.2 Additional Access. Is amended to add the following: All new major and commercial subdivisions are required to provide a separate and remote means of vehicle access by way of a public or private street.

Section 505.1 Address identification is amended as follows:

New and existing buildings shall have approved address numbers, building numbers or building identification placed in a position that is plainly legible and visible from the street or road fronting the property. These numbers shall contrast with their background. Address numbers shall be Arabic numbers or alphabetical letters. Numbers shall be a minimum of 6 inches high with a minimum stroke width of 0.5 inch. *Larger numbers may be required by the fire code official to facilitate emergency response.*

Section 505.2.1 Conflicting road names is amended by adding a new section as follows:

Newly assigned street or road names shall not conflict with existing names and shall be approved by the fire code official.

CHAPTER 9
FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS

Section 901.2 Construction documents is amended by adding the following:

Automatic sprinkler system plans shall be submitted bearing a review certification and signature of a minimum level III NICET Certified Engineering Technician or Montana registrant. Fire sprinkler plans for high-piled combustible storage occupancies shall require a registered fire protection engineer stamp. Fire alarm system plans shall be submitted bearing a review certification and signature of a minimum level III NICET Technician or Montana registrant.

Section 901.6.2 Records is amended to read as follows:

Records of all system inspections, tests and maintenance required by the referenced standards shall be maintained on the premises for a minimum of three years and reports of system deficiencies shall be *forwarded* to the authority having jurisdiction within 10 business days.

Section 903.2.8 Group R is amended to read as follows: An automatic fire sprinkler system installed in accordance with Section 903.3 shall be provided in residential occupancies with eight (8) or more units.

Section 903.3.1.1.1 Exempt Locations is amended by deleting item number 4.

szdSection 903.3.5.1.2 Residential Combination Services is amended to add the following: The Sprinkler riser, all valves, pumps, tanks, and spare sprinkler heads shall be installed in an area that is easily accessible to the occupant, fire crews, inspectors, and maintenance personnel. Attics and crawl spaces are not acceptable. Preferred areas would be utility or mechanical rooms.

CHAPTER 11
CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS FOR EXISTING BUILDINGS

Section 1103.5 Sprinkler systems is amended by adding the following subsections:

Section 1103.5.3 Change of Use. A sprinkler system is required throughout the building when any change of use or occupancy occurs to a portion of the building to a more hazardous occupancy or as determined by the Fire Code Official.

Section 1103.5.4 Group R-4 Care Facilities. A sprinkler system is required throughout the building in a single-family residence wherein **six** or more persons receive care.

CHAPTER 56
EXPLOSIVES AND FIREWORKS

Section 5601.2.4 Financial Responsibility is amended as follows:

Before a permit is issued, as required by Section 5601.2, the applicant shall file with the jurisdiction a corporate surety bond in the principal sum of \$1,000,000 (*one million dollars*) or a public liability insurance policy for the same amount, for the purpose of the payment of all damages to persons or property which arise from, or are caused by, the conduct of any act authorized by the permit upon which any judicial judgment results. The fire code official is authorized to specify a greater or lesser amount when, in his or her opinion, conditions at the location of use indicate a greater or lesser amount is required. Government entities shall be exempt from this bond requirement.

Section 5601.2.4.1 Blasting is amended as follows:

Before approval to do blasting is issued, the applicant for approval shall file a bond or submit a certificate of insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000 (*one million dollars*) in each case to indemnify the jurisdiction against any and all damages arising from permitted blasting.

Section 5601.2.4.2 Fireworks Display is amended as follows:

Before approval for a display is issued, the permit holder shall furnish a bond or certificate of insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000 (*one million dollars*) per occurrence for the payment of all potential damages to a person or persons or to property by reason of the permitted display, and arising from any acts of the permit holder, the agent, employees or subcontractors to indemnify the jurisdiction against any and all damages arising from permitted fireworks displays.

APPENDIX A

Appendix A is not adopted.

APPENDIX B

Table B105.1 Minimum Required Fire Flow and Flow Duration for Buildings is adopted and amended by adding Footnote c as follows:

Footnote c: In special circumstances, where the municipal or rural water supply will not provide the required 1,500 gpm, the fire code official may accept a lesser amount evaluated on a case by case basis.

APPENDIX C

Appendix C - Hydrants - is adopted.

APPENDIX D

Section D103.3 Turning Radius is adopted and amended as follows:

The minimum turning radius shall be 28' (*twenty eight feet*) inside and 50' (*fifty feet*) outside diameter for all fire department access roads and parking lots.

APPENDIX E

Appendix E is not adopted.

APPENDIX F

Appendix F is not adopted.

APPENDIX G

Appendix G is not adopted.

APPENDIX H

Appendix H is not adopted.

APPENDIX I

Appendix I - Fire Protection Systems Non-Compliant Conditions - is adopted.

APPENDIX J

Appendix J is not adopted.

Central Valley Fire District

Resolution No. 141502

A FORMAL RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CENTRAL VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT ADOPTING THE 2012 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE, AND PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS THERETO, REGULATING AND GOVERNING THE SAFEGUARDING OF LIFE AND PROPERTY FROM FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS ARISING FROM THE STORAGE, HANDLING AND USE OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES, MATERIALS AND DEVICES, AND FROM CONDITIONS HAZARDOUS TO LIFE OR PROPERTY AND THE OCCUPANCY OF BUILDINGS AND PREMISES IN THE CENTRAL VALLEY FIRE DISTRICT; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS AND COLLECTION OF FEES THEREFORE; AND AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION AND ENFORCEMENT THEREOF.

WHEREAS, the Central Valley Fire District is authorized, pursuant to the Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM) to adopt the same nationally recognized fire code adopted by the State of Montana and amend or revise the adopted code as long as those amendments are not less restrictive than the State adopted code.

WHEREAS, the Central Valley Fire District wishes to adopt the 2012 Edition of the International Fire Code to provide for a more uniform practice and enforcement of the Fire Code, consistent and together with various other enforcement agencies with whom Central Valley Fire District may interact;

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved as follows:

That the Central Valley Fire District hereby adopts the 2012 Edition of the International Fire Code (IFC), with amendments.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this resolution is for any reason held to be unconstitutional; such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this resolution.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution and the rules, regulations, provisions, amendments, requirements, orders and matters established and adopted hereby shall take effect and be in full force and effect from and after the date of its approval and acceptance by the State of Montana Fire Marshal.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that to the extent the provisions of the Amendments and modifications to the 2012 Edition of the International Fire Code provisions adopted herein conflict with the construction standards set forth in the building code adopted by the State of Montana, the provisions of the Montana adopted building code control.

RESOLVED and ADOPTED this 9th day of Sept., 2017.



Board Chairman

ATTEST:


Board Clerk

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