

DELAWARE GENERAL HEALTH DISTRICT

The plumbing regulations as adopted by the Delaware General Health District are applicable to the Delaware General Health District.

PLUMBING REGULATIONS

A regulation adopted by incorporation by reference chapters of the Ohio Revised Code and sections of the Ohio Building Code relative to plumbing in order to protect the public health and welfare in the Delaware General Health District.

SECTION 1.0 Purpose, Adoption by Reference, Applicability

- 1.1 It is the purpose of this regulation to adopt by reference the Ohio Plumbing Code, OAC Chapter 4101:2-56 through 4101:2-69, to provide for the proper enforcement of such provisions to protect the public health and to make these regulations adopted pursuant thereto applicable to single, two, and three family dwellings, and to any building governed by 3781.06 ORC.

SECTION 2.0 Register of Persons in the Plumbing Business

- 2.1 The Delaware General Health District shall maintain a register of all persons engaged in or intending to engage in the plumbing installation business within the Delaware General Health District.
- 2.2 Any plumber, contractor, sub-contractor, or any other person engaging in or intending to engage in the business of installing, changing, maintaining or extending plumbing, piping, material, fixtures, appliances, appurtenances or any part thereof in connection with any drainage, venting or water supply system shall make application on a form provided by the Delaware General Health District Board of Health for registration by said Board on or before the first day of January of each year. The application form shall contain the name and address of the individual, firm, or place of business, phone number, and State of Ohio license number and date of expiration if applicant holds such license. Registration shall be required of each individual, firm, corporation, or association engaged in the plumbing installation business, except for any owner of a single family dwelling who desires to personally install plumbing in the home in which he lives or intends to live.
- 2.3 A fee shall be collected annually for each application for registration, as established by the Board of Health.
- 2.4 Each registration issued hereunder shall expire on the last day of the year of issue.
- 2.5 Each application for registration shall be accompanied by a surety bond payable to the Delaware General Health District in the sum of \$5000.00, and proof of liability insurance at a minimum level of \$250,000.00, conditioned upon the registrant's faithful compliance with plumbing regulations and standards which may be adopted by the Board of Health. If a registrant is a member of a firm or corporation, bond by firm or corporation is the sum of \$5000.00 shall be executed and deposited with the Delaware General Health District.
- 2.6 Renewal of bond and liability insurance shall be required annually with renewal of registration.

- 2.7 ORC 4740 requires plumbing contractors who install plumbing systems on a construction project governed by ORC 3781 (public building), to hold a license with the State of Ohio as outlined in that chapter. Evidence of compliance with the provision of ORC 4740 shall be provided on the permit application for construction projects governed by ORC 3781.
- 2.8 Whenever the Health Commissioner finds that a registered plumbing contractor is or has engaged in practices which are in violation of these rules or the terms of any permit as required by the Board in Section 3.0 under which plumbing installation is performed, or has a documented history of plumbing code violations, the Board of Health shall give notice in writing to the registrant describing the alleged violation and state that an opportunity for a hearing will be provided to show cause why his registration should not be suspended or revoked, or why his services as a plumbing contractor should not be limited permanently or temporarily with special conditions.

SECTION 3.0 Permit Required, Fees

- 3.1 No person shall install or alter plumbing in any single, two or three family dwelling or in any building governed by 3781.06 ORC, until a permit has been obtained from the Delaware General Health District. Permits are not required for repairs or replacements exempted from tests under OAC 4101:2-58-13, unless these require moving any fixtures, drains, waste or vents, from their original location. However, if any concealed trap, drain-pipe, water, soil, waste or vent pipe becomes defective and it becomes necessary to remove and replace the same with new material, such work shall be considered as new work and an approval shall be considered as new work and an approval shall be obtained and inspection made as provided in this code. Permits shall be issued to a registered plumbing contractor; except permits will be issued to any owner of a single family dwelling who desires to install plumbing in the home in which he lives or intends to live.
- 3.2 An application for permit to install or alter plumbing shall be made prior to starting work. The application shall be on a form provided by the Board of Health. If alteration permits are found to be needed while performing emergency repairs on plumbing systems, the permit must be obtained the next business day.
- 3.3 Each application for permit to install or alter plumbing for a single, two or three-family dwelling shall be accompanied by an application fee and a fee for each trap, vented fixture, appliance, or device, as established by the Board of Health. Whenever a reinspection is made necessary by the failure of the applicant or plumbing contractor to have the work ready for inspection when so reported, or by reason of a non-accessible dwelling, or by reason of no address being posted on the property, or by reason of faulty or improper installation, such person shall pay a fee established by the Board of Health for each such reinspection.
- 3.4 Each application for permit to install or alter plumbing for a building governed by 3781.06 ORC shall be accompanied by application fee and a fee for each trap, vented fixture, appliance, or device.

Each application shall also be accompanied by a plan approval fees established by the Board of Health. Whenever a reinspection is made necessary by the failure of the applicant or plumbing contractor to have the work ready for inspection when so reported or by reason of faulty or improper installation, such person shall pay a fee established by the Board of Health for each such reinspection and a fee established by the Board of Health for each partial inspection requested.

- 3.5 The permit to do any plumbing work shall be posted in a conspicuous place on the property where the work is being done.
- 3.6 No permit shall be issued to any person to install plumbing who is not registered or whose name is not on the register maintained by the Delaware General Health District as provided in Section 2 of these regulations, except to any owner of a single family dwelling to install plumbing in the home in which he lives or intends to live.
- 3.7 Permits are not transferable.

SECTION 4.0 Penalties

- 4.1 Any person who violates any provision of these regulations shall be subject to penalties provided by Section 3709.99 ORC.

SECTION 5.0 Inspections

- 5.1 All inspections and any other duties pursuant to the authority of this regulation and applicable sections of the ORC and OAC shall be performed by the Delaware General Health District or its designated representative.

Effect of Partial Invalidity

Each rule of the plumbing regulations of the Delaware General Health District Board of Health and every part of each rule is an independent rule and a part of a rule, and the holding of any rule or part thereof to be unconstitutional, void, or not effective for any cause does not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other rule or part thereof.

Adopted by the Board of Health on March 22, 2001.