

ORDINANCE NO. 98-8

AN ORDINANCE TO BE KNOWN AS THE HERNANDO COUNTY PLUMBING CODE: PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE STANDARD PLUMBING CODE, 1997 EDITION; PROVIDING FOR ADMINISTRATION; PROVIDING FOR MODIFICATION TO CHAPTER 3 OF THE STANDARD PLUMBING CODE; PROVIDING FOR MODIFICATION TO CHAPTER 6 OF THE STANDARD PLUMBING CODE; PROVIDING FOR THE SEVERANCE OF PARTS; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR VIOLATIONS, REMEDIES, AND PENALTIES; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA.

SECTION 1. ADOPTION OF THE STANDARD PLUMBING CODE, 1997 EDITION, AND APPENDIXES B, C, D, E, and F AS PROMULGATED BY SOUTHERN BUILDING CODE CONGRESS INTERNATIONAL, INC., PROVIDING FOR MODIFICATIONS TO CHAPTERS 1, 3, and 6

There is hereby adopted by the County of Hernando, Florida, for the purpose of establishing and prescribing rules and regulations for the installation, construction, alteration, removal, moving, improving, repairing, equipping, use, occupancy, location and maintenance of plumbing in buildings and structures and otherwise, that certain plumbing code known as the Standard Plumbing Code, as recommended by the Southern Building Code Congress International, Inc., a non-profit and non-political servicing organization with its principal offices at Birmingham, Alabama, being particularly the 1997 Edition, and Appendixes B, C, D, E, and F thereof. The same is hereby adopted and incorporated herein as fully as if set forth in haec verba except as noted elsewhere herein and from the date upon which this ordinance shall take effect, the provisions thereof shall be controlling in the installation, construction, alteration, removal, moving, improving, repairing, equipping, use, occupancy, location and maintenance of plumbing within the unincorporated areas of the county.

SECTION 2. ADMINISTRATION

Chapter 1 of the Standard Plumbing Code is hereby deleted. Refer to the Standard Building Code, 1997 Edition, Chapter 1 - Administration as modified by Hernando County Ordinance No. 98-7.

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SECTION 3. MODIFICATIONS TO CHAPTER 3 OF THE STANDARD PLUMBING CODE

Chapter 3 of the Standard Plumbing Code is hereby modified by amending Subsection 312.5 to read as follows:

312.5 Water Supply System Test

Upon completion of a section or of the entire water supply system, it shall be tested and proved tight under constant working pressure or under a pressure not less than 100 p.s.i. for 24 hours prior to inspection. Water used for tests shall be obtained from a potable source of supply.

SECTION 4. MODIFICATIONS TO CHAPTER 6 OF THE STANDARD PLUMBING CODE

Chapter 6 of The Standard Plumbing Code is modified by adding Subsections 604.3.1, 604.3.2, 604.9.1, and Section 612 as follows:

604.3.1

A group of not more than four fixtures shall be connected to 1/2 inch cold water supply.

604.3.2

A group of not more than six fixtures shall be connected to 1/2 inch hot water supply.

604.9.1

Residences shall have at least two sets of air chambers or one set for each bathroom group, whichever number is greater. Air Chambers shall be a minimum diameter of 3/4 inch or one pipe size larger than supply pipe (by 18 inch length).

612 AUTOMATIC LAWN SPRINKLER SYSTEMS

All automatic lawn sprinkler systems shall be equipped with an automatic rain sensor device.

SECTION 5. SEVERANCE OF PARTS

Should any section, paragraph, sentence, phrase, clause or other part or provision of this ordinance be declared by any court to be invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole, or any part thereof, other than the part declared to be invalid.

SECTION 6. REPEALER CLAUSE

Upon the effective date of this ordinance, those previously enacted ordinances and amendments thereto which regulate the construction activities addressed by this ordinance, namely Hernando County Ordinance No. 95-22 and subsequent amendments thereto; are hereby repealed.

SECTION 7. VIOLATIONS, REMEDIES, AND PENALTIES

Any entity violating any provision of this ordinance shall be subject to the penalties provided for herein. The Director or his authorized representative shall issue notice to all entities violating any provision of this ordinance and shall order that such violations cease. Should any entity fail to comply with such notice, or order, the Governing Body or its authorized official may institute appropriate action to bring such entity before a court of law for adjudication. Any entity violating any provision of this ordinance shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be fined or imprisoned or both fined and imprisoned, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 125.69 of the Florida Statutes.

SECTION 8. INCLUSION IN THE CODE

It is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners of Hernando County, Florida, and it is hereby provided that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinances of Hernando County, Florida. To this end, the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or relettered to accomplish such intention, and that the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section", "article", or other appropriate designation.

SECTION 9. EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall become effective as provided by law.

ADOPTED in Regular Session this 19th day of May, 1998, A.D.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HERNANDO COUNTY, FLORIDA

Attest

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