

Rules and Regulations

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

County of Natrona

I certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of the rules of the Board of County Commissioners, Natrona County, Wyoming relating to the 2006 Edition of the International Fire Code in the unincorporated areas of Natrona County adopted in accordance with the Wyoming Administrative Procedures Act, §§ 16-3-101 through 16-3-115, W.S. 1977 and pursuant to the authority provided in W.S. §§ 18-5-101 through 18-5-207 and §§ 35-9-101 through 35-9-121. These rules supersede all other rules previously filed.

Prior to adoption these rules were made available for public inspection on April 4, 2008 and notices of intended adoption were mailed to all persons requesting notice of proposed rules.

The attached rules are effective immediately upon filing with the County Clerk.

Signed this 3rd day of June, 2008



Robert L. Hendry, Chairman
Natrona County Commission

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RESOLUTION NO. 40-08

NATRONA COUNTY FIRE CODE

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NATRONA COUNTY, WYOMING, that the 2006 Natrona County Fire Code be and hereby is adopted pursuant to the following provisions.

Section 1. Adoption of the International Fire Code

The Board of County Commissioners of Natrona County, Wyoming, for the purpose of 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 in the occupancy of buildings and premises, being particularly described as the 2006 International Fire Code, including appendices B, D, E, F, G, and appendix C as a reference except for those portions which are hereby deleted, modified or amended by this resolution. The International Fire Code is hereby adopted and incorporated as fully as it is set out at length herein, and shall take effect on the date of this adoption and filing with the County Clerk's Office, as required by W.S. 16-3-103.

Section 2.

That the International Fire Code is adopted in accordance with , ss 16-3-101 et seq., W.S. ss 18-5-101 et seq., and W.S. ss 35-9-101 et seq., W.S. ss 35-10-201.

Section 3. Enforcement Delegation.

The International Fire Code shall be enforced by the Natrona County Sheriff's Department, Natrona County Fire Protection District and such other agencies as the Natrona County Commissioners, through agreement, may designate.

Section 4. Definitions.

A. Whenever the word "jurisdiction" is used in the International Fire Code, it shall be held to mean the County of Natrona, Wyoming, and such county-owned property inside incorporated areas upon which the International Fire Code is made applicable.

B. Whenever the term "Corporation Counsel" is used in the International Fire Code, it shall be held to mean the Natrona County Legal Department.

Section 5. Amendments to the International Fire Code

The International Fire Code is amended and changed in the following respects:

A. Section 101.1 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 101.1 Title. These regulations shall be known as the *Fire Code* of Natrona County, hereinafter referred to as "this code."

B. Section 103.1 is amended to read as follows:

Section 103.1 General. The department of fire prevention is established within the jurisdiction under supervision of the District Fire Chief, which shall be operated under the direction of the District Fire Code Official. The function of the department shall be the implementation, administration and enforcement of the provisions of this code. The District Fire Chief, District Fire Code Official and members of Fire District shall have the law enforcement powers of the Sheriff's Department in performing their duties under this Code. In consultation with members of the Natrona County Sheriff's Office, the District Fire Chief or District Fire Code Official may recommend issuance of a written citation containing notice to appear in County Court to any person, who said District Fire Chief or District Fire Code Official have reasonable cause to believe are committing a violation of the implementation, administration or enforcement of the provisions of this code.

C. Section 108 is hereby deleted and replaced with the following:

Section 108.1 Appeals. Whenever the District Fire Chief or District Fire Code Official shall disapprove an application or refuse to grant a permit applied for, or when it is claimed that the provisions of the code do not apply but that the true intent and meaning of the Fire Code has been misconstrued or wrongly interpreted, the applicant may appeal the decision of the District Fire Chief or District Fire Code Official to the Natrona County Development Board of Appeals (Natrona County Resolution No. 84-03) within thirty (30) days from the date of the decision appealed. The District Fire Code Official shall be an ex officio member of said board but shall have no vote on any matter before the board.

Section 108.2 Limitations on authority. An application for appeal shall be based on a claim that the intent of this code or the rules legally adopted hereunder has been incorrectly interpreted, the provisions of this code do not fully apply, or an equivalent method of protection or safety is proposed. The Natrona County Development Board of Appeals shall have no authority to waive requirements of this code.

D. Section 109.3 is hereby amended to read as follows:

109.3 Violation penalties. Persons who shall violate a provision of this code or shall fail to comply with any of the requirements thereof or who shall erect, install, alter, repair or do work in violation of the approved construction documents or directive of the District Fire Chief or District Fire Code Official, or of a permit or certificate used under provisions of this code, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor. Each day that a violation continues after due notice has been served shall be deemed a separate offense. Pursuant to W.S. 39-9-121, and 39-9-130, a person who violates this provision is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable as follows:

- (1) An individual, including an officer or agent of a corporation or association, who participates in or is an accessory to the violation may be punished by a fine of not more than \$750, imprisonment for not more than six months, revocation of his license, or fined, imprisonment and revocation, and

- (2) A corporation may be punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000, revocation of its license, or both.

E. Section 111.4 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 111.4 Failure to comply. Any person who shall continue 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 liable to a fine of not less than \$250 dollars or more than \$750 dollars.

F. Section 307 is hereby amended to read as follows:

307.3 Extinguishment authority. The Natrona County Sheriff's Department or Natrona County Fire District is authorized to order the extinguishment by the permit holder, another person responsible or the fire department of open burning which creates or adds to a hazardous or objectionable situation. Any open burning shall be conducted as required by any government agency regulating emissions or may be prohibited in times of extreme fire danger by resolution of the Natrona County Commissioners, Natrona County Fire Protection District, Casper Mountain Fire District, or any other governmental agency.

307.5 Attendance. Open burning, bonfires or recreational fires shall be constantly attended by person over the age 18 and who is knowledgeable in the use of fire extinguishing equipment until the fire is extinguished. A minimum of one portable fire extinguisher complying with Section 906 with a minimum 4-A rating or other approved on-site fire-extinguishing equipment, such as dirt, sand, water barrel, garden hose or water truck, shall be available for immediate utilization.

Add, 307.5.1 Notification. Prior to commencement of open burning and at the end of burning the Natrona County Dispatch Center shall be notified.

Add, 307.5.2 Material Restrictions. Open burning of rubbish containing paper products is prohibited. Natural material such as wood, grass, leaves, sagebrush and other vegetation is allowed.

Add, 307.5.3 Opening burning time restrictions. Opening burning operations shall be conducted between the hours of 0600 and 1100. Any medium to high winds will prohibit any burning during the time stated above. Special permission to burn outside the designated time can be granted on a case to case basis.

G. Section 506 is hereby amended to read as follows:

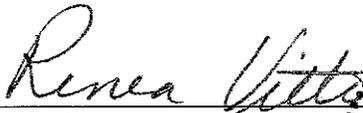
Section 506.1 Where required. Where access to or within a structure or an area is restricted because of secured openings or where immediate access is necessary for life-saving or fire-fighting purposes, the District Fire Code Official is authorized to require a key box to be installed in an approved location. The key box purchase form shall be issued by the Natrona County Fire District and be of an approved type and shall contain keys and emergency contact information to gain necessary access as required by the fire code official. The key box shall be installed in a location approved by the District Fire Code Official, 4'-0" to 6'-0" above finished grade.

- (1) A key box shall be required for all buildings that are unoccupied for any portion of the day, which contain sprinkler systems or off site monitored fire alarms.

Section 6. **Repeal of Conflicting Resolutions.**

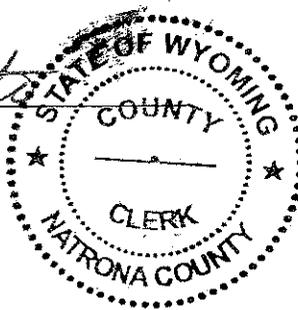
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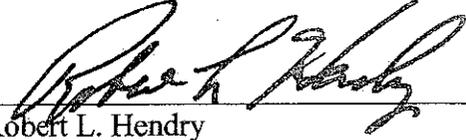
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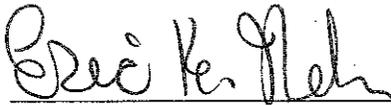
Renea Vitto, County Clerk
My term of office expires
January 6, 2011

APPROVED AS TO FORM:





Robert L. Hendry
Chairman, County Commissioners



Eric K. Nelson, County Attorney