

Town of Vestal Fire Inspection Program

The Town of Vestal performs fire safety inspection on buildings throughout the Town. It is our goal in the Town of Vestal to have a fire safe community in which we can all live and work safely. This is accomplished through teamwork with the business and property owners and through public education. Fire inspections are performed to ensure that the places where we live, work, or visit are in compliance with all the Fire Prevention Codes. These inspections help to make Vestal a safer community.

The Fire Inspector inspects all commercial buildings and multiple family dwellings in the Town of Vestal. Also we investigate any complaints made to the Code Enforcement Office regarding unsafe situations or fire hazards. These inspections are part of the required assignments for municipalities as established by the legislature of New York State.

When the Inspector is conducting an inspection of the property it is necessary to have a building representative accompany the Inspector through the building during the inspection. This enables discussion and identification of items that may need to be corrected in order for the building to come into compliance with the Codes. Once the inspection is complete the Fire Inspector prepares a Fire Inspection Report which is provided to the building representative.

Some of the most common violations found during fire inspections are:

1. Obstruction of exits
2. Exit sign illumination
3. Evacuation and Fire Safety Planning
4. Building address numbers
5. Extension cords used for permanent wiring
6. Open and exposed electrical wiring
7. Fire extinguishers maintained
8. Fire alarm and life safety system maintained
9. Sprinkler system maintained
10. Emergency lights maintained.

These are just a few of the most common fire safety violations encountered during an inspection. You can download our fire inspection check list to perform your own self inspection. This list provides varying items and is not an all inclusive list but a guide. This check list can be used for commercial or residential.

Remember, **“THE EASIEST FIRE TO PUT OUT IS THE ONE YOU PREVENT”**

If you have any questions regarding fire safety please give us a call. (607) 786-0980