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**The 1996 BOCA National Building Code**

The 1996 BOCA National Building Code, Thirteenth Edition, 1996 as published by the Building Officials and Code Administrators International, Inc., and as adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, on October 7, 1997, with an effective date of October 7, 1997, and amended January 4, 1999, effective July 1, 1999, amended June 8, 1999, and amendments adopted October 19, 2004, effective November 1, 2004.

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**AN ORDINANCE REPEALING THE 1993 BOCA NATIONAL BUILDING  
CODE, WITH AMENDMENTS, AND ENACTING  
THE BOCA NATIONAL BUILDING CODE, THIRTEENTH EDITION, 1996  
WITH LOCAL AMENDMENTS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, being concerned with providing protection for the consumer, general public, and owners and occupants of buildings and structures in Washington County, adopted on April 26, 1994, the 1993 BOCA National Building Code, with local amendments for Washington County; and

WHEREAS, it has been recommended to the County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, that they adopt the BOCA National Building Code, Thirteenth Edition, 1996, which is more up-to-date and which provides greater safeguards for the consumer, general public, owners and occupants of buildings and structures in Washington County; if implemented, and provides for minimum regulations governing the design, construction, alteration, enlargement, repair, demolition, removal, maintenance and use of all buildings and structures; provides for the issuance of permits, collection of fees, making of inspections; and provides for penalties for the violation thereof; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on September 23, 1997, following due notice and advertisement of the text of the BOCA National Building Code, Thirteenth Edition, 1996, with local amendments for Washington County; and

WHEREAS, public comment was received, reviewed and considered concerning the repeal of the 1993 BOCA National Building Code, with amendments, and the adoption of the BOCA National Building Code, Thirteenth Edition, 1996, with local amendments for Washington County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, that the 1993 BOCA National Building Code, with amendments, and all other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, that the BOCA National Building Code, Thirteenth Edition, 1996, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference, be and is enacted with the following insertions, amendments, and additions:

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The Maryland Building Performance Standards Regulations (MBPS), which are set forth at COMAR 05.02.07, include the BOCA National Building Code and mandate certain amendments to comply with other State laws. The following chapters are hereby amended by the insertions set forth below:

- (1) Chapter 9 of the BOCA Code: Fire protection system requirements of Chapter 9 may be concurrently covered in the State Fire Code, Article 38A, §§3—67, and COMAR 12.03.01. The State Fire Code is enforced by the State Fire Marshal or authorized fire official.
- (2) Chapter 10 of the BOCA Code: Means of egress requirements of Chapter 10 may be concurrently covered in the State Fire Code, Article 38A, §§3—67, and COMAR 12.03.01. The State Fire Code is enforced by the State Fire Marshal or authorized fire official.
- (3) Chapter 11 of the BOCA Code related to accessibility requirements is hereby replaced with the Maryland Accessibility Code set forth in COMAR 05.02.02.
- (4) Chapter 13 of the BOCA Code: The requirements concerning energy conservation for buildings and structures are governed by Article 78, §54J, Energy Conservation Building

Standards Act, Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended. In the event of a conflict between the Annotated Code of Maryland and the BOCA Code, the requirements of the Annotated Code of Maryland shall prevail.

(5) Chapter 24 of BOCA Code: The requirements of safety glazing set forth in Article 83B, §§6-301—6-306, Annotated Code of Maryland are in addition to Chapter 24, §2405.0 of the BOCA Code related to safety glazing. In the event of a conflict between Chapter 24 of the BOCA Code and the Annotated Code of Maryland, the requirements of the Annotated Code of Maryland shall prevail.

(6) Chapters 27, 28 and 29 of the BOCA Code related to electrical, mechanical, and plumbing systems respectively, are in addition to and not instead of State law governing these areas set forth in Article 38A, §§59—66, Business Regulation Article, Title 9A, Business Occupations and Professions Article, Title 12, Annotated Code of Maryland. In the event of a conflict between the BOCA Code and the Annotated Code of Maryland, the provisions of the Annotated Code of Maryland shall prevail.

(7) Chapter 30 of the BOCA Code: The provisions of Chapter 30 of the BOCA Code related to elevators and conveying systems and are in addition to and not instead of the requirements set forth in Article 89, §49B, Annotated Code of Maryland, the provisions of the Annotated Code of Maryland shall prevail.

The following sections are hereby revised by the substitution or insertion, as applicable, of the following paragraphs were indicated:

**SECTION 101.1 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:**

**101.1 Title:** These regulations shall be known as the Building Code of Washington County, Maryland, hereinafter referred to as "this code".

SECTION 101.2 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**101.2 Scope:** These regulations shall control all matters concerning the construction, alteration, addition, repair, removal, demolition, location, occupancy and maintenance of all buildings and structures, and shall apply to existing or proposed buildings and structures; except as such matters are otherwise provided for in other ordinances or statutes, or in the rules and regulations authorized for promulgation under the provisions of this code.

**Exception: Non residential farm buildings and structures.**

SECTION 104.1 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**104.1 Code Official:** The Department of Permits and Inspections and the Director thereof shall be known as the Code Official.

ADD THE FOLLOWING SECTION 105.9 WHICH SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**105.9 Withholding of Permits:** Whenever the Code Official shall find that any person, agent, firm or corporation, whether as owner, lessee or occupant, is in violation of the provisions of this code or of the rules and regulations of any other department or agency of Washington County in connection with the erection, maintenance, use, or repair of buildings, structures, lands or equipment thereon or therein, he may refuse to grant any further permits or inspections until all violations have been corrected and approved.

SECTION 107.1.1 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**107.11 Repairs:** Application or notice to the code official is not required for ordinary repairs to structures. Such repairs shall not include the cutting away of any wall, partition or portion thereof, the removal or cutting of any structural beam or loadbearing support, or the removal or change of any required means of egress, or rearrangement of parts of a structure affecting the egress requirements; nor shall ordinary repairs include addition to, alteration of, replacement or relocation of any standpipe, water supply, sewer drainage, drain leader, gas, soil, waste, vent or similar piping, electric wiring or mechanical or other work affecting public health or general safety.

**Exception: Roof replacements that do not involve the change or replacement of structural components.**

SECTION 112.1 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**112.1 General:** A permit to begin work for an approval of part, new construction, alteration, removal, demolition, or other building operation shall not be issued until the fees prescribed in this section shall have been paid to the department of building inspection or other authorized agency of the jurisdiction, nor shall an amendment to a permit necessitating an additional fee be approved until the additional fee has been paid.

SECTION 112.5 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**112.5 Fee Schedule:** A fee for each plan examination, building permit and inspection shall be paid in accordance with the following schedule.

RESIDENTIAL:

Finished area (living space)	\$20 plus \$.07/sf.
Unfinished areas (basement, crawl space)	\$.04/sf.
Garages, carports, porches, decks, swimming pools, chimney and other accessory structures	\$20 plus \$.04/sf.
Interior, exterior alterations, repairs and remodeling	\$20 plus \$.07/sf.
Mobile Homes	\$20 plus \$.07/sf.

COMMERCIAL/INSTITUTIONAL/INDUSTRIAL:

All floor (new construction or additions)	\$75 plus \$.07/sf.
Interior alterations	\$75 plus \$.07/sf.
DEMOLITION	\$20
MINIMUM FEE FOR REFUNDS	\$20
REINSPECTION FEES for condemnation of work or premature request/change of contractor	\$20

The application fee and review fee of \$15.00 per agency will be charged for each reviewing agency in all cases, including those in which the permit expires, becomes void or is withdrawn.

Note: All measurements shall be computed using gross exterior building dimensions.

SECTION 113.2 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**113.2 Request for Required Inspections:** The permit holder or his agent shall make inspection requests with the Department of Permits and Inspections at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance for each phase of construction listed in this section. After issuing a building permit, the

code official shall conduct inspections from time to time during and upon completion of the work for which a permit has been issued. A record of all such examinations and inspections and of all violations of this code shall be maintained by the code official. The owner shall provide for special inspections in accordance with Section 1705.0.

ADD SECTION 113.2.3 WHICH SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**113.2.3 Footing Inspection:** Required after trenches or basement areas are excavated, forms erected, any required reinforcing steel is in place, and prior to the placing of concrete.

ADD SECTION 113.2.4 WHICH SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**113.2.4 Foundation Inspection:** Required prior to backfill or framing.

ADD SECTION 113.2.5 WHICH SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**113.2.5 Framing or Rough Inspection:** Required after the roof, all framing, firestopping, draftstopping and bracing are in place. Rough plumbing, mechanical, electrical and framing inspection shall be made prior to covering or concealment of work.

ADD SECTION 113.2.6 WHICH SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**113.2.6 Other Inspection:** The Building Department may make or require other inspections to ascertain compliance with this code and other laws enforced by the Building Department.

SECTION 116.4 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**116.4 Violation Penalties:** Any person who shall violate a provision of this code or shall fail to comply with any of the requirements hereof or who shall erect, construct, alter or repair a building or structure in violation of an approved plan or directive of the code official, or of a permit or certificate issued under the provisions of this code, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not less than **Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00)** or more than **One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)**, or by imprisonment not exceeding one (1) year, 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 117.2 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**117.2 Unlawful continuance:** Any person who shall continue any work in or about the structure 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 **Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00)** or more than **One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00)** per day.



SECTION 118.4 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**118.4 Contents of certificate:** When a structure is entitled thereto, the code official shall issue a certificate of occupancy within ten days after *written* application. Upon completion of the final inspection in accordance with Section 113.3 and correction of the violations and discrepancies, the certificate of occupancy shall be issued. The certificate of occupancy shall specify the following.

1. The edition of the code under which the permit was issued.
2. The use group and occupancy, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 3.
3. The type of construction as defined in Chapter 6.
4. If an *automatic sprinkler system* is provided, whether the *sprinkler system* is required.
5. Any special stipulations and conditions of the building permit.

SECTION 121.2.1 5. SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**121.2.1 Qualifications: ...**

5. *Registered design professional* with fire protection engineering experience; or a fire protection contractor with at least ten-years experience, five of which shall have been in responsible charge of work or a citizen chosen at large who is a citizen of Washington County.

SECTION 121.2.6 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**121.2.6 Compensation of members:** Members of the Board shall receive Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) for each meeting.

SECTION 305.1.1 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**305.1.1 Day care facilities:** A day care facility which provides care for more than eight (8) persons more than 2 ½ years of age for less than 24 hours per day shall be classified as Use Group E.

SECTION 308.3.1 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**308.3.1 Child care facility:** A child care facility which accommodates more than eight (8) children 2 ½ years of age or less for any length of time shall be classified as Use Group I-2.

SECTION 310.5.1 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**310.5.1 Family day care:** A child care facility which accommodates eight (8) or less children of any age shall be classified as Use Group R-3. The facility shall comply with all requirements of the Maryland Child Care Administration and the Maryland State Fire Marshall's Office.

SECTION 707.6.2 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 707.6.2 Residential occupancies:** In occupancies in Use Group R-2 and R-3, the wall shall be continuous to the underside of the roof sheathing or deck in Types 3, 4 and 5 construction where all of the following conditions are met:

1. The wall is properly *fireblocked* at the roof sheathing or deck.
2. The roof sheathing or deck is constructed of approved noncombustible materials or of fire retardant-treated wood, for a distance of 4 feet (1219 mm) on both sides of the wall, or such roof sheathing or deck is constructed with 5/8-inch Type X gypsum board supported directly beneath the underside of the roof sheathing or deck, using minimum 2-inch ledgers attached to the sides of the roof framing members, for a minimum distance of 4 feet (1219 mm) on both sides of the *fire wall*.

**Exception:** The requirement concerning roof sheathing materials and deck does not apply to sprinklered buildings.

3. Combustible material does not extend through the wall.
4. The roof covering has a minimum of a Class C rating.
5. Openings in the roof shall not be located within 5 feet (1524 mm) of the *fire wall*.

SECTION 1005.5 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**1005.5 Open-sided walking areas:** Guards shall be located along open-sided walking surfaces, *mezzanines*, *stairways*, ramps and landings which are located more than 30 inches above the floor or grade below. The guards shall be constructed in accordance with Section 1021.0.

**Exception:** Guards are not required for the following locations:

1. On the loading side of loading docks.
2. On the auditorium side of *stages* and raised *platforms*.
3. On raised *stage* and *platform* floor areas such as runways, ramps and side *stages* utilized for entertainment or presentations.
4. At vertical openings in the performance area of *stages* and *platforms*.
5. At elevated walking surfaces appurtenant to *stages* and *platforms* for access to and utilization of special lighting or equipment.

SECTION 1005.5.1 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**1005.5.1 Screen porches:** Porches and decks which are enclosed with insect screening shall be provided with guards in accordance with Section 1021.0 where the walking surface is located more than 30 inches (762 mm) above the floor or grade below.

SECTION 1014.6 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1014.6 Treads and risers:** Maximum riser height shall be 7 inches (178 mm) and minimum riser height shall be 4 inches (102 mm). The riser height shall be measured vertically between the leading edges of the adjacent treads. Minimum tread depth shall be 11 inches (279 mm), measured horizontally between the vertical planes of the foremost projection of adjacent treads and at a right angle to the tread's leading edge.

**Exceptions:**

1. Winders in accordance with Section 1014.6.3.
2. *Spiral stairways* in accordance with Section 1014.6.4.
3. *Circular stairways* in accordance with Section 1014.6.5.
4. *Alternating tread stairways* in accordance with Section 1014.6.6.
5. *Stairways* serving as aisles in assembly seating areas where the *stairway* pitch or slope is set, for sightline reasons, by the slope of the adjacent seating area.
6. Any *stairway* replacing an existing *stairway* within a space where, because of existing construction, the pitch or slope cannot be reduced.
7. Existing *stairways*.
8. In occupancies of Use Group R-3 and in Use Group U, which are accessory to an occupancy in Use Group 3, the maximum riser height shall be 8 1/4 inches (210 mm) and the minimum tread depth shall be 9 inches (229 mm).

Within dwelling units of Use Group R-2, the maximum riser height shall be 8 inches (203 mm) and the minimum tread depth shall be 9 inches (229 mm).

A nosing not less than 3/4 inch (19 mm) but not more than 1 1/4 inches (32 mm) shall be provided on stairways with solid risers where the tread depth is less than 11 inches (279 mm).

SECTION 1022.2 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**1022.2 Handrail details:** Handrails shall be continuous, without interruption by newel posts, other structure elements or obstructions. A handrail and any wall or other surface adjacent to the handrail shall be free of any sharp or abrasive elements and shall be in compliance with the Maryland Accessibility Code.

SECTION 1806.1 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**1806.1 Frost Protection:** Except where erected upon solid rock or otherwise protected from frost, foundation walls, piers and other permanent supports of all buildings and structures larger than 200 square feet (18.60 mm) in area or 10 feet (3048 mm) in height shall extend to the frost line of the locality, and spread footings of adequate size shall be provided where necessary to distribute properly the load within the allowable loadbearing value of the soil. Alternatively, such structures shall be supported on piles where solid earth or rock is not available. Footings shall not bear on frozen soils unless such frozen condition is of a permanent character. The frost line depth for Washington County is hereby established as being thirty (30) inches below finished grade for building footings.

THE FIRST PARAGRAPH OF SECTION 3408.2 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**3408.2 Applicability:** Structures existing prior to January 1, 1972, in which there is work involving *additions, alterations or changes of occupancy*, shall be made to conform to the requirements of this section or the provisions of Sections 3403.0 through 3407.0.

SECTION 4. SAVING CLAUSE

Nothing in this Ordinance or in the building code hereby adopted shall be construed to affect any suit or proceeding impending in any court, or any rights acquired, or liability incurred, or any cause or causes of action acquired or existing, under any act or ordinance hereby repealed as cited in Section 2 of this Ordinance; nor shall any just or legal right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired or affected by this Ordinance.

Adopted this 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1997.

Effective the 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1997.

ATTEST:

Joni L. Bittner  
Joni L. Bittner, Clerk

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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND  
AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE BOCA NATIONAL  
BUILDING CODE, THIRTEENTH EDITION, 1996  
WITH LOCAL AMENDMENTS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY,  
ADOPTED ON OCTOBER 7, 1997

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, being concerned with providing protection for the consumer, general public, and owners and occupants of buildings and structures in Washington County, did on October 7, 1997 adopt an Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE REPEALING THE 1993 BOCA NATIONAL BUILDING CODE, WITH AMENDMENTS, AND ENACTING THE BOCA NATIONAL BUILDING CODE, THIRTEENTH EDITION, 1996 WITH LOCAL AMENDMENTS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY", but did not act on the proposed revised fee schedule which was presented at the public hearing, for the purpose of allowing time for additional discussion and public comment on said proposed fee schedule; and

WHEREAS, public comment was received, reviewed and considered regarding the proposed fee schedule; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, considered the proposed fee schedule at its regularly scheduled meeting on November 4, 1997; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, believes it to be in the best interests of the citizens and residents of Washington County, Maryland, for a new schedule to be adopted, said fee schedule to become effective July 1, 1999.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, that the Local Amendments to the BOCA National Building Code, Thirteenth Edition, 1996 adopted on October 7, 1997, be amended as follows:

**SECTION 112.5 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:**

**112.5 Fee Schedule:** A fee for each plan examination, building permit and inspection shall be paid in accordance with the following schedule.

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**RESIDENTIAL:**

Finished area (living space)	\$20 plus \$.07/sf.
Unfinished areas (basement, crawl space)	\$.06/sf.

Garages, carports, porches, decks, swimming pools, chimney and other accessory structures	\$20 plus \$.06/sf.
Interior, exterior alterations, repairs and remodeling	\$20 plus \$.07/sf.
Mobile Homes	\$20 plus \$.07/sf.
<b>COMMERCIAL/INSTITUTIONAL/INDUSTRIAL:</b>	
All floor (new construction or additions)	\$75 plus \$.07/sf.
Interior alterations	\$75 plus \$.07/sf.
DEMOLITION	\$20
MINIMUM FEE FOR REFUNDS	\$20
REINSPECTION FEES for condemnation of work or premature request/change of contractor	\$20

The application fee and review fee of \$15.00 per agency will be charged for each reviewing agency in all cases, including those in which the permit expires, becomes void or is withdrawn.

Note: All measurements shall be computed using gross exterior building dimensions.

Adopted this 4th day of November, 1997.

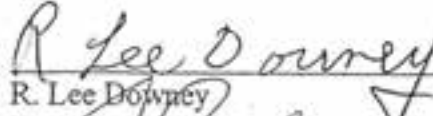
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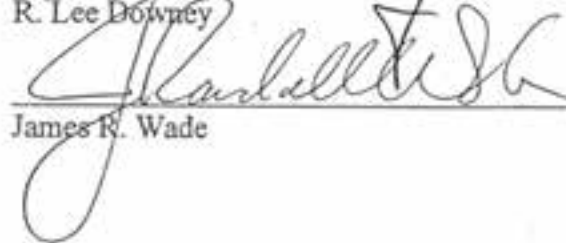
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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND  
AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE BOCA NATIONAL  
BUILDING CODE, THIRTEENTH EDITION, 1996  
WITH LOCAL AMENDMENTS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY,  
ADOPTED ON OCTOBER 7, 1997 AND AMENDED ON  
NOVEMBER 4, 1997

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland (the "Board"), being concerned with providing protection for consumers, the general public, and owners and occupants of buildings and structures in Washington County, did, on October 7, 1997 adopt an Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE REPEALING THE 1993 BOCA NATIONAL BUILDING CODE, WITH AMENDMENTS, AND ENACTING THE BOCA NATIONAL BUILDING CODE, THIRTEENTH EDITION, 1996 WITH LOCAL AMENDMENTS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY" (the "Ordinance"); and

WHEREAS, the Board further amended the Ordinance on November 4, 1997, by adopting a revised fee schedule, said fee schedule to become effective July 1, 1999; and

WHEREAS, it has been recommended to the Board, that certain amendments be made to the text of the Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on June 8, 1999, following due notice and advertisement of the text of the proposed amendments; and

WHEREAS, any public comment received was reviewed and considered; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes it to be in the best interests of the citizens and residents of Washington County, Maryland, for the proposed amendments to be adopted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board that the BOCA National Building Code, Thirteenth Edition, 1996, With Local Amendments, adopted on October 7, 1997 and amended on November 4, 1997, be further amended as follows:

(1) SECTION 101.2 shall read as follows:

**101.2 Scope:** These regulations shall control all matters concerning the construction, alteration, addition, repair, removal, demolition, location, occupancy and maintenance of all buildings and structures, and shall apply to existing or proposed buildings and structures; except as such matters are otherwise provided for in other ordinances or statutes, or in the rules and regulations authorized for promulgation under the provisions of this code.

**Exception: Intents to build or construct farm buildings**

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Jun 15, 1999 11:17 am

(2) SECTION 112.5 shall read as follows:

**112.5 Fee Schedule:** A fee for building permits and inspections, plan review, inspections for family day care facilities and for appeals to the Building Codes Appeals Board shall be paid in accordance with the following schedule.

**RESIDENTIAL:**

Finished area (living space)	\$20 plus \$.07/sf.	
Unfinished areas (basement, crawl space)	\$.06/sf.	*effective July 1, 1999
Garages, carports, porches, decks, swimming pools, chimney and other accessory structures	\$20 plus \$.06/sf.	*effective July 1, 1999
Interior, exterior alterations, repairs and remodeling	\$20 plus \$.07/sf.	
Mobile Homes	\$20 plus \$.07/sf.	
Inspection of family day care facility	\$50	
File an appeal to the Building Codes Appeals Board	\$100	
<b>COMMERCIAL/INSTITUTIONAL/INDUSTRIAL:</b>		
All floor (new construction or additions)	\$75 plus \$.07/sf.	
Interior alterations	\$75 plus \$.07/sf.	
<b>DEMOLITION</b>	\$20	
<b>MINIMUM FEE FOR REFUNDS</b>	\$20	
<b>REINSPECTION FEES</b> for condemnation of work or premature request/change of contractor	\$20	
File an appeal to the Building Codes Appeals Board	\$175	

The application fee and review fee of \$15.00 per agency will be charged for each reviewing agency in all cases, including those in which the permit expires, becomes void, or is withdrawn. \*effective July 1, 1999

Note: All measurements shall be computed using gross exterior building dimensions.

(3) SECTION 202.0, GENERAL DEFINITIONS, is amended by adding the following definition:

**Intent to build:** A written declaration submitted to the Department of Permits and Inspections for the purpose of building, constructing or placing farm buildings other than buildings for residential purposes. Structures intended to house farm animals shall meet the requirements provided for in other ordinances. A retail greenhouse is not exempt from the provisions of this code.

Adopted this 8 day of June, 1999.

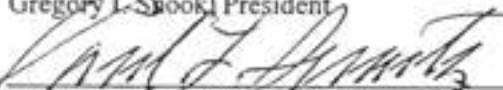
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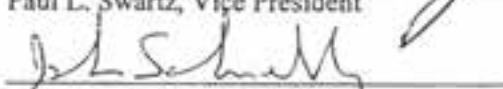
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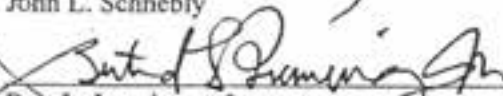
  
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## AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE BOCA NATIONAL BUILDING CODE, THIRTEENTH EDITION, 1996 WITH LOCAL AMENDMENTS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY ADOPTED ON OCTOBER 7, 1997 AND AMENDED ON NOVEMBER 4, 1997 AND JUNE 8, 1999

### RECITALS

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Inspection of family day care facility	\$60
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All floor (new construction or additions)	\$85 plus \$.07/sf.
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DEMOLITION	\$30
REINSPECTION FEES for condemnation of work or premature request/change of contractor	\$25
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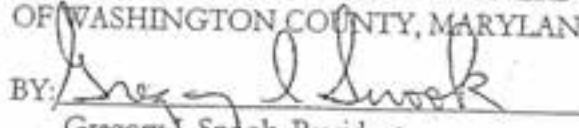
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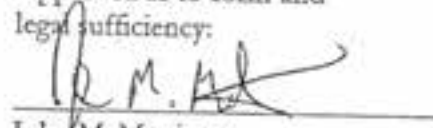
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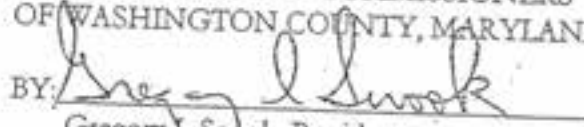
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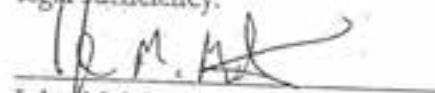
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**AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL THE 1992 CABO ONE AND TWO FAMILY  
DWELLING CODE AND TO ENACT THE  
1995 FIRST PRINTING OF THE CABO ONE AND TWO FAMILY DWELLING CODE,  
WITH LOCAL AMENDMENTS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, being concerned with providing minimum standards for the protection of life, limb, health, property, environment and for the safety and welfare of the consumer, general public, and owners and occupants of residential buildings in Washington County, adopted on May 31, 1994, the 1992 CABO One and Two Family Dwelling Code; and

WHEREAS, it has been recommended to the County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, that it adopt the 1995 First Printing of the CABO One and Two Family Dwelling Code which is more up-to-date and which provides greater safeguards for residents of Washington County, Maryland; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on September 23, 1997, following due notice and advertisement of the text of the 1995 First Printing of the CABO One and Two Family Dwelling Code, with amendments for Washington County; and

WHEREAS, public comment was received, reviewed and considered concerning the repeal of the 1992 CABO One and Two Family Dwelling Code, with amendments, and the adoption of the 1995 First Printing of the CABO One and Two Family Code, with local amendments for Washington County :

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED that the 1992 CABO One and Two Family Dwelling Code, with amendments, adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County on May 31, 1994 and all other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED that the 1995 First Printing of the CABO One and Two Family Dwelling Code, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference, is enacted with the following insertions, amendments and additions:

- (1) **AMEND SECTION 104.1 - GENERAL to read as follows:**

**SECTION 104 - AUTHORITY**

**Section 104.1 - General:** The Director of the Department of Permits and Inspections shall be known as the Code Official and is hereby authorized and directed to administer and enforce all the provisions of this Code.

- (2) **AMEND SECTION 106.4 PENALTY to read as follows:**

**Section 106.4 Penalty:** Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this code shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and each such person shall be deemed guilty of a separate offense for each and every day or portion thereof during which any violation of any of the provisions of this code is committed, continued or permitted, and upon convictions of any such violation such person shall be punishable by a fine of not more than **\$1,000.00 or less than \$250.00** per day or by imprisonment or by both such fine and imprisonment as established by local applicable laws.

- (3) **AMEND SECTION 111.2 PERMIT FEES to read as follows:**

**Section 111.2 Permit Fees:** Building permit fees shall be based on the square footage area of proposed structure(s) and include an application fee as follows:

Application Fee:	\$20.00
Finished Areas	.07 per square foot for finished areas
Unfinished Areas	.04 per square foot for unfinished area

- (4) **ADD SECTION 111.5 WITHHOLDING OF PERMITS to read as follows:**

**Section 111.5 Withholding of Permits:** Whenever the code official shall find that any person, agent, firm or corporation, whether as owner, lessee, sub-lessee or occupant, is in violation of the provisions of this Code or the rules and regulations of any other department or agency of

Washington County in connection with the erection, maintenance, use, or repair of buildings, structures, lands or equipment thereon or therein, he may refuse to grant any further permits or inspections until all violations have been corrected and approved.

(5) **AMEND SECTIONS 113.1, 113.1.1 THRU 113.1.5 REQUEST FOR REQUIRED INSPECTIONS AND DELETE SECTION 113.1.6.** Sections 113.1, 113.1.1 through 113.1.5 will be amended to read as follows:

**Section 113.1 Request for Required Inspection:** The permit holder or his agent shall make inspection requests with the Department of Permits and Inspections at least twenty-four (24) hours in advance for each phase of construction listed in this section. After inspection, the building official shall either approve that portion of the construction as completed or shall notify the permit holder or his agent wherein the same fails to comply with this Code.

**Section 113.1.1 Footer Inspection:** Required after trenches or basement areas are excavated, forms erected, any required reinforcing steel is in place and prior to the placing of concrete.

**Section 113.1.2 Foundation Inspection:** Required prior to backfill or framing.

**Section 113.1.3 Framing or Rough Inspection:** Required after the roof, all framing, fire stopping, draft stopping and bracing are in place. Rough plumbing, mechanical, electrical, and framing inspections shall be made prior to covering or concealment of work.

**Section 113.1.4 Final Building Inspection:** Required after plumbing, electrical, and mechanical inspections are completed and prior to occupancy.

**Section 113.1.5 Other Inspections:** In addition to the called inspections above, the building department may make or require any other inspections to ascertain compliance with this Code and other laws enforced by the building department. The code official may impose a reinspection fee for condemnation of work, building not accessible or premature inspection request.

(6) **DELETE SECTION 115.1 IN ITS ENTIRETY**

(7) AMEND TABLE 301.2a AS SHOWN BELOW:

Table No. 301.2a

CLIMATIC AND GEOGRAPHIC DESIGN CRITERIA

ROOF LIVE LOAD <sup>1</sup> (Lbs per Sq. Ft.)	ROOF SNOW LOAD <sup>1</sup> (Lbs. Per Sq. Ft.)	WIND PRESSURE <sup>4</sup> (Lbs per Sq. Ft.)	SEISMIC CONDITION BY ZONE	SUBJECT TO DAMAGE FROM <sup>2</sup>		SUBJECT TO DAMAGE FROM <sup>2</sup>	WINTER DESIGN <sup>5</sup> TEMP. FOR HTG. FACILITIES
				Weathering	Frost Line Depth		
30	35	18	0	Severe	30	Moderate to Heavy	12

<sup>1</sup> Roof live and snow loads are not additive.

<sup>2</sup> Weathering may require a higher strength concrete or grade of masonry than necessary to satisfy structural requirements of this code. The weathering column shall be filled in with the weathering index (i.e., "negligible", "moderate", or "severe") for concrete as determined from the Weathering Probability Map in Appendix A. The grade of masonry units shall be determined from ASTM C34, C55, C62, C73, C90, C129, C145, C216, or C652 listed in Section S-26.201. The frost line depth may require deeper footings than indicated in Figure No. R-403.1a. The jurisdiction shall fill in the frost line depth column with "yes" or "no" including minimum depth of footing below finish grade.

<sup>3</sup> The jurisdiction shall fill in this part of the table with "yes" or "no" depending on whether there has been a history of local damage.

<sup>4</sup> The jurisdiction shall fill in this portion of the table with wind design loads determined from the Wind Probability Map in Appendix A, or ASCE 7 listed in Section S-26-201.

<sup>5</sup> If heating facilities are not required in this climate enter "None Required."

(8) AMEND TABLE 301.4 AS SHOWN BELOW:

TABLE 301.4  
MINIMUM UNIFORMLY DISTRIBUTED LIVE LOADS  
(in pounds per square foot -- lb./ft.<sup>2</sup>)

USE	LIVE LOAD
Balconies (exterior)	60
Decks	60
Fire Escapes	40
Garages (passenger cars only)	50
Attics (no storage with roof slope not steeper than 3 in 12)	10
Attics (limited attic storage)	20
Dwelling units (except sleeping rooms)	40
Sleeping Rooms	30
Stairs	40 <sup>1</sup>
Guardrails and Handrails (A single concentrated load applied in any direction at any point along the top)	200

<sup>1</sup>For SI: 1 psf = 0.0479kN/m<sup>2</sup>, 1 square inch = 645 mm<sup>2</sup>.

Individual stair treads shall be designed for the uniformly distributed live load or a 300-pound concentrated load acting over an area of 4 square inches, whichever produces the greater stresses.

(9) AMEND SECTION 309.2 SEPARATION REQUIRED to read as follows:

**Section 309.2 Separation Required:** The garage shall be separated from the residence and its attic area by means of minimum ½-inch (12.7 mm) gypsum board applied to the garage side. **Garages under habitable areas to be separated by 1-hour fire rated assemblies.**

(10) AMEND SECTION 309.3 FLOOR SURFACE to read as follows:

**Section 309.3 Floor Surface:** Garage and carport floor surfaces shall be of approved noncombustible material. That area of floor used for parking of automobiles or other vehicles shall be sloped to facilitate the movement of liquids to a drain or toward the main vehicles entry doorway. Maintain a **4 inch** step down from floor level of dwelling to the garage.

## SECTION 312 - LANDINGS

(11) **AMEND SECTION 312.1(2) GENERAL to read as follows:**

**Section 312.1 General:** A minimum of 3 foot by 3 foot (914 mm by 914 mm) landing shall be required on each side of an egress door. The floor or landing shall not be more than 1 ½ inches (38 mm) lower than the top of the threshold.

**Exceptions:**

1. At the top of a flight of stairs, provided the door does not swing over the stairs
2. The landing at the exterior doorway shall not be more than 8 ½ inches below the top of the threshold, provided the door does not swing over the landing.
3. Exterior storm and screen doors are exempt from the requirements for landings.

(12) **AMEND SECTION 314.2 TREADS AND RISERS to read as follows:**

**Section 314.2 Treads and Risers:** The maximum riser height shall be 8 1/4 inches and the minimum tread depth shall be 9 inches. The riser height shall be measured vertically between leading edges of the adjacent treads. The tread depth shall be measured horizontally between the vertical planes of the foremost projection of adjacent treads and at a right angle to the tread's leading edge. The walking surface of treads and landings of a stairway shall be sloped no steeper than one unit vertical in 48 units horizontal (2-percent slope). The greatest riser height within any flight of stairs shall not exceed the smallest by more than 3/8 inch (9.5 mm). The greatest tread depth within any flight of stairs shall not exceed the smallest by more than 3/8 inches (9.5 mm).

(13) **AMEND SECTION 315.1 HANDRAILS to read as follows:**

**Section 315.1 Handrails:** Handrails having minimum and maximum heights of 30 inches and 38 inches (762 mm and 965 mm), respectively, measured vertically from the nosing of the treads, shall be provided on at least one side of stairways of **four** or more risers. Spiral stairways shall have the required handrail located on the outside radius. All required handrails shall be continuous the full length of the stairs. Ends shall be returned or shall terminate in newel posts or safety terminals. Handrails adjacent to a wall shall have a space of not less than 1 ½ inches (38 mm) between the wall and the handrail.

**Exceptions:**

1. Handrails shall be permitted to be interrupted by a newel post at a turn.
2. The use of a volute, turnout or starting easing shall be allowed over the lowest tread.

- (14) **AMEND SECTION 315.4 GUARDRAIL OPENING LIMITATIONS** to read as follows:

**Section 315.4 Guardrail Opening Limitations:** Required guardrails on open sides of stairways, raised floor areas, balconies and porches shall have intermediate rails or ornamental closures which do not allow passage of an object 6 inches or more in diameter.

- (15) **AMEND SECTION 316.1 SMOKE DETECTORS REQUIRED** to read as follows:

**Section 316.1 Smoke Detectors Required:** Smoke detectors shall be installed outside of each separate sleeping area in the immediate vicinity of the bedrooms and on each additional story of the dwelling, including basements and cellars but not including crawl spaces and uninhabitable attics. In dwellings or dwelling units with split levels, a smoke detector needs to be installed only on the upper level, provided the lower level is less than one full story below the upper level, except that if there is a door between levels then a detector is required on each level. All detectors shall be interconnected such that the actuation of one alarm will actuate all the alarms in the individual unit and shall provide an alarm which will be audible in all sleeping areas. All detectors shall be approved and listed and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

When alterations, repairs or additions requiring a permit occur, or when one or more sleeping rooms are added or created in existing dwellings, the entire building shall be provided with smoke detectors located as required for new dwellings; the smoke detectors are not required to be interconnected unless other remodeling considerations require removal of the appropriate wall and ceiling coverings to facilitate concealed interconnected wiring.

- (16) **DELETE SECTION 324 PROTECTION AGAINST RADON** in its entirety.

- (17) **DELETE SECTIONS 403.1 THROUGH FIG. 403.3b AND ADD SECTION 403.1 FOOTINGS** to read as follows:

#### SECTION 403 - FOOTINGS

**Section 403.1 Footings:** All exterior walls, bearing walls, columns and piers shall be supported on continuous solid masonry or concrete footings, wood foundations, or other approved structural systems which shall be of sufficient design to support safely the loads imposed as determined from the character of the soil, and except when erected upon solid rock or otherwise protected from frost, shall extend below the frost line. Minimum sizes for concrete footings shall be as set forth in Figure No.403.2. Footings for wood foundations shall be in accordance with the details set forth in Sections 404.2, Figures 403.16 and 403.1c.

The top surface of footings shall be level. The bottom surface of footings may have a slope not exceeding the elevation of the top surface of the footings or where the slope of the bottom surface of the footing will exceed 1 in 10.

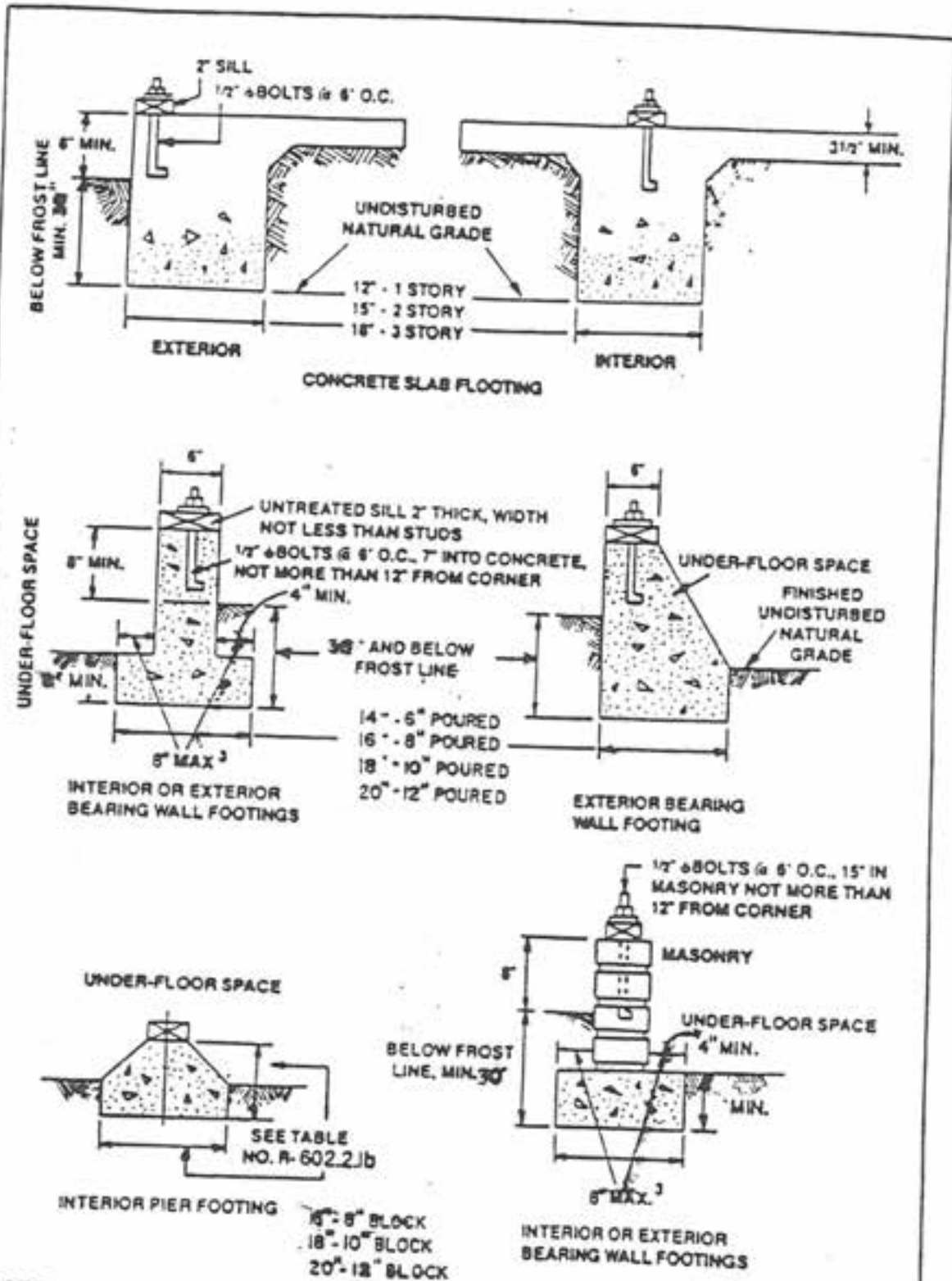


Exception: Footings are not required to be stepped or continuous where changes of footing elevations exceeds 4 ft. Such footing can be connected by masonry lintels with a minimum 18 inches of bearing on steel reinforced footings.

(18) AMEND TABLE 403.1a AS SHOWN BELOW:

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MINIMUM FOUNDATION REQUIREMENTS



**NOTES:**

- <sup>1</sup>Foundations shall extend not less than 12 inches below the finished natural grade or engineered fill in no case less than the frost line depth.
- <sup>2</sup>Footing sizes are based on soil with an allowable soil pressure of 2,000 pounds per square foot. Footings on soil with a lower allowable soil pressure shall be designed in accordance with accepted engineering practice.
- <sup>3</sup>Footing projections shall not exceed the footing thickness.

(19) AMEND TABLE 404.1.1a as shown below:

**TABLE 404.1.1a**  
**MINIMUM THICKNESS AND ALLOWABLE DEPTH OF UNBALANCED FILL FOR**  
**UNREINFORCED MASONRY AND CONCRETE FOUNDATION WALLS<sup>1,2</sup> WHERE**  
**UNSTABLE SOIL OR GROUNDWATER CONDITIONS DO NOT EXIST IN SEISMIC**  
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FOUNDATION WALL CONSTRUCTION	NOMINAL THICKNESS <sup>3</sup> (inches)	MAXIMUM DEPTH OF UNBALANCED FILL <sup>1</sup> (feet)
Masonry of Hollow Units, UngROUTed	8	4
	10	5
	12	7
Masonry of Solid Units	6	3
	8	5
	10	6
	12	7
Masonry of Hollow or Solid Units, Fully Grouted	8	7
	10	8
	12	8
Plain Concrete	6 <sup>4</sup>	6
	8	7
	10	8
	12	8
Rubble Stone Masonry	16	8
Masonry of hollow units reinforced with No 4 bars and grout at 24 inches on center. Bars located not less than 4 ½ inches from pressure side of wall.	8	7

For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm.

<sup>1</sup> Unbalanced fill is the difference in height of the exterior and interior finish ground levels. Where an interior concrete slab is provided, the unbalanced fill shall be measured from the exterior finish ground level to the top of the interior concrete slab.

<sup>2</sup> The height between lateral supports shall not exceed 8 feet.

<sup>3</sup> The actual thickness shall not be more than ½ inch less than the required nominal thickness specified in the table.

<sup>4</sup> Six-inch plan concrete walls shall be formed on both sides.

(20) **AMEND SECTION 406.1 CONCRETE AND MASONRY FOUNDATION DAMPPROOFING AND DELETE SECTIONS 406.2 THROUGH 406.3.5. SECTION 406.1 CONCRETE AND MASONRY FOUNDATION DAMPPROOFING to read as follows:**

**Section 406.1 Concrete and Masonry Foundation Dampproofing:** Exterior foundation walls of masonry construction enclosing basements shall be dampproofed by applying not less than 3/8 inch of portland cement parging to the wall from footing to finish grade. The parging shall be covered with a coat of approved bituminous material applied at the recommended rate. Exterior foundation walls of concrete construction enclosing basements shall be dampproofed by applying a coat of approved bituminous material to the wall from the footing to the finish grade at the recommended rate.

Foundation walls of habitable rooms located below grade shall be waterproofed with membranes extending from the edge of the footing to the finish grade line. The membrane shall consist of 2-ply hot-mopped felts, 6-mil polyvinyl chloride, 55-pound roll roofing or equivalent material. The laps in the waterproofing membrane shall be sealed and firmly affixed to the wall.

Foundation walls may be dampproofed or waterproofed using materials or methods of construction other than covered in this section where approved by the building official.

(21) **AMEND SECTION 505.2.3 VAPOR BARRIER to read as follows:**

**Section 505.2.3 Vapor Barrier:** An approved vapor barrier with joints lapped not less than 6 inches (153 mm) shall be placed between the concrete floor slab and the base course or the prepared subgrade where no base course exists.

**Exception:** The vapor barrier may be omitted:

1. From detached garages, utility buildings and other unheated accessory structures;
2. From driveway, walks, patios and other flatwork not likely to be enclosed and heated at a later date;
3. Where approved by the code official, based on local site conditions; or
4. From unheated attached garages.

(22) **DELETE SECTION 604.2.3 IN ITS ENTIRETY.**

(23) **AMEND SECTION 703.7.4 WEEPHOLES to read as follows:**

**Section 703.7.4 Weepholes:** Weepholes shall be provided in the outside wythe of masonry walls at a maximum spacing of 4 feet on center. Weepholes shall not be less than 3/16 inch (4.8 mm) in diameter. Weepholes shall be located immediately above the flashing.

(24) AMEND SECTION 910.3(3) RECOVERING VS. REPLACEMENT to read as follows:

**Section 910.3 Recovering vs. Replacement:** New roof covering shall not be installed without first removing existing roof coverings when any of the following conditions occur.

1. When the existing roof or roof covering is water soaked or deteriorated to the point of being unacceptable as a base for additional roofing.
2. When the existing roof covering is wood shake, slate, clay or cement tile; except when the new roof covering is installed in accordance with approved industry standards.
3. When the existing roof has two or more layers of any type of roofing.

**Exception:** The removal of existing roof coverings shall not be required where complete and separate roofing systems are provided which transmit all roof loads directly to the structure system of the building and which do not bear upon the existing roof.

(25) AMEND SECTION 1006 EXTERIOR AIR SUPPLY to read as follows:

**SECTION 1006 - AIR SUPPLY**

(26) AMEND SECTION 1006.1 EXTERIOR AIR to read as follows:


**Section 1006.1 Air:** Factory-built or masonry fireplaces covered in this chapter shall be equipped with an air supply to assure proper fuel combustion.

(27) DELETE THE FOLLOWING CHAPTERS AND APPENDICES:

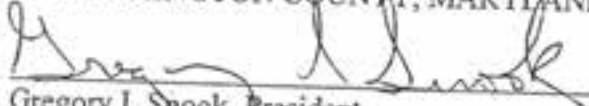
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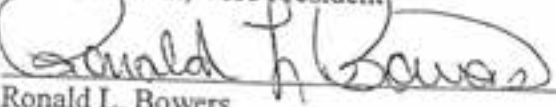
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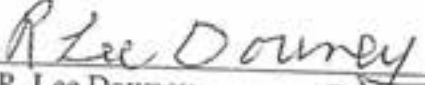
  
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**CABO One and Two Family Dwelling Code**

The 1995 edition of CABO One and Two Family Dwelling Code, in its entirety as adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland effective on October 7, 1997, and amended October 4, 1997, July 1, 1999, June 8, 1999, October 19, 2004, effective November 1, 2004.

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING  
THE 1995 FIRST PRINTING OF THE CABO ONE  
AND TWO FAMILY DWELLING CODE, WITH LOCAL AMENDMENTS  
FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, ADOPTED ON OCTOBER 7, 1997**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, being concerned with providing minimum standards for the protection of life, limb, health, property, environment and for the safety and welfare of the consumer, general public, and owners and occupants of residential buildings in Washington County, did on October 7, 1997 adopt an Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL THE 1992 CABO ONE AND TWO FAMILY DWELLING CODE AND TO ENACT THE 1995 FIRST PRINTING OF THE CABO ONE AND TWO FAMILY DWELLING CODE, WITH LOCAL AMENDMENTS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY", but did not act on the proposed building permit fee increase for unfinished areas which was presented at the public hearing, for the purpose of allowing time for additional discussion and public comment on said proposed fee increase; and

WHEREAS, public comment was received, reviewed and considered regarding the proposed fee increase; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, considered the proposed fee increase at its regularly scheduled meeting on November 4, 1997; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, believes it to be in the best interests of the citizens and residents of Washington County, Maryland, for a fee increase to be adopted, said fee increase to become effective July 1, 1999.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, that the Local Amendments to the 1995 First Printing of the Cabo One and Two Family Dwelling Code adopted on October 7, 1997, be amended as follows:

**SECTION 106.5.2 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:**

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**Section 111.2 Permit Fees:** Building permit fees shall be based on the square footage area of proposed structure(s) and include an application fee as follows:

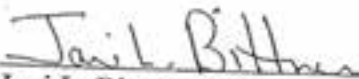
Application Fee:	\$20.00
Finished Areas	.07 per square foot for finished areas
Unfinished Areas	.06 per square foot for unfinished area



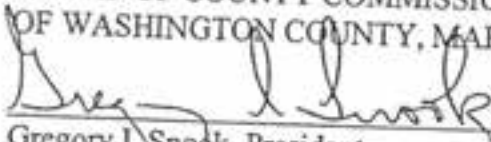
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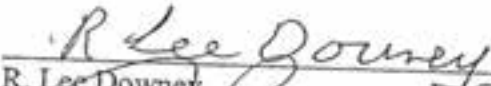
  
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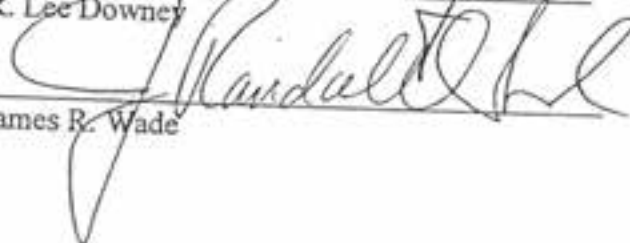
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AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE 1995 FIRST PRINTING  
OF THE CABO ONE AND TWO FAMILY DWELLING CODE,  
WITH LOCAL AMENDMENTS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY,  
ADOPTED ON OCTOBER 7, 1997 AND AMENDED ON  
NOVEMBER 4, 1997

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland (the "Board"), being concerned with providing protection for consumers, the general public, and owners and occupants of buildings and structures in Washington County, did, on October 7, 1997 adopt an Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL THE 1992 CABO ONE AND TWO FAMILY DWELLING CODE AND TO ENACT THE 1995 FIRST PRINTING OF THE CABO ONE AND TWO FAMILY DWELLING CODE, WITH LOCAL AMENDMENTS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY" (the "Ordinance"); and

WHEREAS, the Board further amended the Ordinance on November 4, 1997, by adopting a revised fee schedule, said fee schedule to become effective July 1, 1999; and

WHEREAS, it has been recommended to the Board, that certain amendments be made to the text of the Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on June 8, 1999, following due notice and advertisement of the text of the proposed amendments; and

WHEREAS, any public comment received was reviewed and considered; and

WHEREAS, the Board, believes it to be in the best interests of the citizens and residents of Washington County, Maryland, for the proposed amendments to be adopted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board that the 1995 First Printing of the CABO One and Two Family Dwelling Code, With Local Amendments, adopted on October 7, 1997 and amended on November 4, 1997, be further amended as follows:

(1) SECTION 111.2 is amended and shall read as follows:

**Section 111.2 Permit Fees:** Building permit fees shall be based on the square footage area of proposed structure(s) and shall include an application fee, inspections for family day care facilities and appeals to the Building Codes Appeals Board:

Application Fee:	\$20.00	
Finished Areas:	.07 per square foot for finished areas	
Unfinished Areas:	.06 per square foot for unfinished area	*effective July 1, 1999
Inspection of family day care facilities	\$50	
File an appeal to the Building Codes Appeals Board	\$100	

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- (2) SECTION 107 is deleted in its entirety and the following is inserted in its place:

SECTION 107  
MEANS OF APPEAL

**107.1 Application for appeal:** Any person shall have the right to appeal a decision of the code official to the Building Codes Appeals Board. An application for appeal shall be based on a claim that the true intent of the code or the rules legally adopted thereunder have been incorrectly interpreted, the provisions of the code do not fully apply, or an equivalent form of construction is to be used.

**107.2 Membership of board:** The Building Codes Appeals Board shall consist of five members appointed by the chief appointing authority as follows: one for five years, one for four years, one for three years, one for two years, and one for one year. Thereafter, each new member shall serve for five years or until a successor has been appointed.

**107.2.1 Qualifications:** The Building Codes Appeals Board shall consist of five individuals, one from each of the following professions or disciplines.

1. *Registered design professional* who is a registered architect; or a builder or superintendent of building construction with at least ten years' experience, five of which shall have been in responsible charge of work.
2. *Registered design professional* with structural engineering or architectural experience.
3. *Registered design professional* with mechanical or plumbing engineering experience; or a mechanical or plumbing contractor with at least ten years' experience, five of which shall have been in responsible charge of work.
4. *Registered design professional* with electrical engineering experience; or an electrical contractor with at least ten years' experience, five of which shall have been in responsible charge of work.
5. *Registered design professional* with fire protection engineering experience; or a fire protection contractor with at least ten years' experience, five of which shall have been in responsible charge of work or a citizen chosen at large who is a citizen of Washington County.

**107.2.2. Alternate members:** The chief appointing authority shall appoint two alternate members who shall be called by the board chairman to hear appeals during the absence or disqualification of a member. Alternate members shall possess the qualifications required for board membership, and shall be appointed for five years or until a successor has been appointed.

**107.2.3. Chair:** The board shall annually select one of its members to serve as chair.

**107.2.4. Disqualification of member:** A member shall not hear an appeal in which that member has any personal, professional or financial interest.

**107.3 Secretary:** The chief administrative officer shall designate a qualified clerk to serve as secretary to the board. The secretary shall file a detailed record of all proceedings in the office of the chief administrative officer.

**107.4 Compensation of members:** Compensation of members shall be determined by law.

**107.5 Notice of meeting:** The board shall meet upon notice from the chairman, within ten days of the filing of an appeal, or at stated periodic meetings.

**107.5.1 Open hearing:** All hearings before the board shall be open to the public. The appellant, the appellant's representative, the code official and any person whose interests are affected shall be given an opportunity to be heard.

**107.5.2 Procedure:** The board shall adopt and make available to the public through the secretary procedures under which a hearing will be conducted. The procedures shall not require compliance with strict rules of evidence but shall mandate that only relevant information be received.

**107.5.3 Postponed hearing:** When five members are not present to hear an appeal, either the appellant or the appellant's representative shall have the right to request a postponement of the hearing.

**107.5.4 Board of decision:** The board shall modify or reverse the decision of the code official by a concurring vote of three members.

**107.5.5 Resolution:** The decision of the board shall be by resolution. Certified copies shall be furnished to the appellant and to the code official.

**107.5.6 Administration:** The code official shall take immediate action in accordance with the decision of the board.

**107.6 Court review:** Any person, whether or not a previous party to the appeal, shall have the right to apply to the appropriate court for judicial review to correct errors of law. Application for review shall be made in the manner and time required by law following the filing of the decision in the office of the chief administrative officer.

(3) SECTION 113.1.4 is amended and shall read as follows:

**113.1.4 Final Building Inspection:** Required after plumbing, electrical, and mechanical inspections are completed and prior to occupancy. A certificate of occupancy, indicating completion of the work for which a permit was issued, shall be obtained prior to any occupancy of a structure.

(4) SECTION 202.0, GENERAL BUILDING DEFINITIONS, is amended by adding the following definition.

**FAMILY DAY CARE:** A child care facility which accommodates eight (8) or fewer children of any age shall be classified as a single family dwelling. The facility shall comply with all requirements of the Maryland Child Care Administration and the Maryland State Fire Marshal's Office.

Adopted this 8<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1999.

Unless otherwise noted, this Ordinance is effective upon adoption.

ATTEST:

Joni L. Bittner  
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ADOPTED ON OCTOBER 7, 1997 AND AMENDED ON  
NOVEMBER 4, 1997 AND JUNE 8, 1999

D.W. MGH  
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RECITALS

The Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland (the "Board") being concerned with providing minimum standards for the protection of life, limb, health, property, environment and for the safety and welfare of the consumer, general public, and owners of occupants of residential buildings in Washington County, did on October 7, 1997 adopt an Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL THE 1992 CABO ONE AND TWO FAMILY DWELLING CODE AND TO ENACT THE 1995 FIRST PRINTING OF THE CABO ONE AND TWO FAMILY DWELLING CODE, WITH LOCAL AMENDMENTS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY" (the "Ordinance").

On November 4, 1997, the Board amended the Ordinance by amending Section 111.2, Permit Fees, to the Local Amendments to the Ordinance.

On June 8, 1999, the Board further amended Section 111.2, Permit Fees, and adopted certain other amendments.

It has been recommended to the Board that Section 111.2, Permit Fees, be further amended as a result of a Kaizen Event which was held to examine the work processes and flow in the Washington County Department of Permits and Inspections.

A public hearing was held on October 5, 2004 following due notice and advertisement of the Board's intention to modify the fee schedule.

Any public comment was reviewed and carefully considered.

The Board believes it to be in the best interests of the citizens and residents of Washington County, Maryland, for the amendment to be adopted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland that Section 111.2, Permit Fees, in the Local Amendments to the 1995 First Printing of the CABO One and Two Family Dwelling Code, adopted on October 7, 1997 and amended on November 4, 1997 and June 8, 1999, be further amended as follows:

3.

**International Mechanical Code**

The 1996 International Mechanical Code, First Printing, with local amendments, as adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, with an effective date of October 7, 1997, amended and effective January 1, 1998, and amendments October 19, 2004 effective November 1, 2004.

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**AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL THE 1993 BOCA NATIONAL MECHANICAL  
CODE, EIGHTH EDITION AND TO ENACT  
THE 1996 INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE, FIRST PRINTING  
WITH LOCAL AMENDMENTS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners, of Washington County, Maryland, being concerned with providing protection for the consumer, general public, and owners and occupants of buildings and structures in Washington County, Maryland, adopted on April 26, 1994, the 1993 BOCA National Mechanical Code, Eighth Edition, with local amendments for Washington County; and

WHEREAS, it has been recommended to the County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, that it adopt the 1996 International Mechanical Code, First Printing, which is more up-to-date and which provides greater safeguards for the consumer, general public, owners and occupants of buildings and structures in Washington County; and provides for minimum regulations governing the design, installation and construction of mechanical systems; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on September 23, 1997, following due notice and advertisement of the text of the 1996 International Mechanical Code, First Printing, with local amendments for Washington County; and

WHEREAS, public comment was received, reviewed and considered concerning the repeal of the 1993 BOCA National Mechanical Code, Eighth Edition, with amendments, and the adoption of the 1996 International Mechanical Code, First Printing, with local amendments for Washington County.



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, that the 1993 BOCA National Mechanical Code, Eighth Edition, with amendments, and all other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of County Commisioners of Washington County, Maryland, that the 1996 International Mechanical Code, First Printing, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference, be and is enacted with the following insertions, amendments, and additions:

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The following sections are hereby revised as follows:

- (1) SECTION 101.1 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

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

- (2) SECTION 103.1 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 103.1 General.** The Director of the Department of Permits and Inspections of Washington County shall be known as the Code Official.

- (3) SECTION 106.5.2 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 106.5.2 Fee Schedule.** The fees for mechanical work shall be as indicated in the following schedule:

[NOT APPLICABLE]

- (4) SECTION 106.5.3 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 106.5.3 Fee Refunds.** The code official shall authorize the refunding of fees as follows:

1. All but the application fee hereunder that was erroneously paid or collected.
2. All but the application fee when no work has been done under a permit issued in accordance with this code.

The code official shall not authorize the refunding of any fee paid except upon written application filed by the original permittee not later than 180 days after the date of fee payment.

(5) SECTION 108.4 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 108.4 Violation Penalties.** Any person 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 or repair mechanical work in violation of the approved construction documents or directive of the code official, or of a permit or certificate issued under the provisions of this code, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not less than \$250.00 or not more than \$1,000.00 or by imprisonment not exceeding one year, or both such fine and imprisonment. Each day that a violation continues after due notice has been served shall be deemed a separate offense.

(6) SECTION 108.5 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 108.5 Stop Work Orders.** Upon notice from the code official that mechanical work is being done contrary to the provisions of this code or in a dangerous or unsafe manner, such work shall immediately cease. Such notice shall be in writing and shall be given to the owner of the property, or to the owner's agent, or to the person doing the work. The notice shall state the conditions under which work is authorized to resume. Where an emergency exists, the code official shall not be required to give a written notice prior to stopping the work. Any person who shall continue any work on the system 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 \$250.00 or more than \$1,000.00.

(7) CHAPTER 16 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 16 Referenced Standards**

**CODES**

This model mechanical code is intended to be utilized in conjunction with the other model codes that are adopted by the jurisdiction.

Standard reference number	Title	Referenced in code section number
BOCA National Building Code/1996	201.3, 202, 301.12, 301.14, 302.1, 304.5, 304.8, 308.9, 401.4, 401.8, 402.4, 404.1, 504.2, 506.6, 506.12, 510.6.1, 510.6.2, 510.7, 511.1.5, 602.1, 603.11, 603.14, 604.4, 606.2.1, 607.1, 607.2, 607.3, 607.7, 703.2.1, 703.2.2, 801.3, 801.17.1, 902.1, 911.3, 911.4, 913.3, 1004.6, 1105.3, 1106.5, 1206.4, 1401.2.2, 1502.3, 1502.3.1	
BOCA National Fire Prevention Code/1996	201.3, 502.4, 502.8, 509.6, 510.4, 1301.2, 1401.1, 1401.2, 1401.2.1	

(8) SECTION 4. SAVING CLAUSE

That nothing in this Ordinance or in the Mechanical Code hereby adopted shall be construed to affect any suit or proceeding impending in any court, or any rights acquired, or liability incurred, or any cause or causes of action acquired or existing, under any act or ordinance hereby repealed in this Ordinance; nor shall any just or legal right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired or affected by this Ordinance.

Adopted this 7th day of October, 1997.

Effective the 7th day of October, 1997.

ATTEST:

Joni L. Bittner  
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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING  
THE 1996 INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE, FIRST PRINTING  
ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND ON  
OCTOBER 7, 1997

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, being concerned with providing protection for the consumer, general public, and owners and occupants of buildings and structures in Washington County, Maryland, did on October 7, 1997 adopt an Ordinance entitled " AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL THE 1993 BOCA NATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE, EIGHTH EDITION AND TO ENACT THE 1996 INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE, FIRST PRINTING WITH LOCAL AMENDMENTS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY," but did not act on the proposed fee schedule which was presented at the public hearing, for the purpose of allowing time for additional discussion and public comment on said proposed fee schedule; and

WHEREAS, public comment was received, reviewed and considered regarding the proposed fee schedule; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, considered the proposed fee schedule at its regularly scheduled meeting on November 4, 1997; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, believes it to be in the best interests of the citizens and residents of Washington County, Maryland, for a fee schedule to be adopted, said fee schedule to become effective January 1, 1998.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland, that the Local Amendments to the 1996 International Mechanical Code, First Printing, adopted on October 7, 1997, be amended to add the following:

**SECTION 106.5.2 SHALL READ AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 106.5.2 Fee Schedule.** The fees for mechanical work shall be as indicated in the following schedule:

106.5.2  
FEE SCHEDULE

RESIDENTIAL

	<u>Fee</u>
Application Fee	\$ 20.00
Mobile Home	25.00
Single/Modular	30.00
2 Family/Semi Detached (Separate application required for each unit)	20.00 per unit
Town House (Separate application required for each unit)	20.00 per unit
Multi-Family	25.00 per unit
Addition	25.00
Gas Piping	20.00
Venting (Hood, Dryer, Bathfan)	2.00 per appliance
Manufactured Fireplace	20.00 per unit

RESIDENTIAL RETROFIT

Mobile Home Furnace or Condenser	10.00
Single/Modular Dwelling Furnace or Condenser	15.00
2 Family/Semi Detached Furnace or Condenser	10.00 per unit
Townhouse Furnace or Condenser	10.00 per unit
Multi-Family Furnace or Condenser	15.00 per unit
Manufactured Fireplace	20.00 per unit

COMMERCIAL

Application Fee	50.00
New/Addition/Remodeled	50.00
Gas Piping	50.00

PENALTIES

Transfer permit to new mechanical contractor	25.00
Work not ready/unable to gain entry	25.00

Adopted this 4th day of November, 1997

Effective January 1, 1998.

ATTEST:

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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING  
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ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND ON OCTOBER 7, 1997 AND  
AMENDED ON NOVEMBER 4, 1997

RECITALS

The Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland (the "Board") being concerned with providing protection for the consumer, general public, and owners and occupants of buildings and structures in Washington County, did on October 7, 1997 adopt an Ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL THE 1993 BOCA NATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE, EIGHTH EDITION AND TO ENACT THE 1996 INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE, FIRST PRINTING WITH LOCAL AMENDMENTS FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY" (the "Ordinance").

On November 4, 1997, the Board amended the Ordinance by adding Section 106.5.2, Fee Schedule, to the Local Amendments to the Ordinance.

It has been recommended that Section 106.5.2, Fee Schedule, be further modified as a result of a Kaizen Event which was held to examine the work processes and flow in the Washington County Department of Permits and Inspections.

A public hearing was held on October 5, 2004 following due notice and advertisement of the Board's intention to modify the fee schedule.

Any public comment was reviewed and carefully considered.

The Board believes it to be in the best interests of the citizens and residents of Washington County, Maryland, for Section 106.5.2, Fee Schedule, to be further modified.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland that Section 106.5.2, Fee Schedule, in the Local Amendments to the 1996 International Mechanical Code, First Printing, adopted on October 7, 1997 and amended on November 4, 1997, be further amended as follows:

SECTION 106.5.2 SHALL BE AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

Section 106.5.2 Fee Schedule. The fees for mechanical work shall be as indicated in the following schedule:

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## RESIDENTIAL

	<u>Fee*</u>
Application Fee	\$ 30.00
Mobile Home	25.00
Single/Modular	30.00
2 Family/Semi Detached (Separate application required for each unit)	20.00 per unit
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Manufactured Fireplace	20.00 per unit

## COMMERCIAL

Application Fee	60.00
New/Addition/Remodeled	50.00
Gas Piping	50.00

## PENALTIES

Transfer permit to new mechanical contractor	25.00
Work not ready/unable to gain entry	25.00

\*Note: All fees are non-refundable.

Adopted this 19th day of October, 2004.


Effective the 1st day of November, 2004.



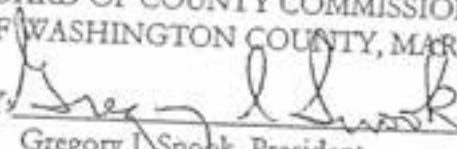
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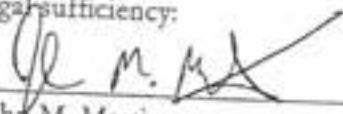
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