

Portland, Maine



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NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROSECUTE

Apostolic Faith Assembly
331 Congress Street
Portland, Maine 04101

RE: 243 Cumberland Avenue
CBL026 L017001

To Whom it May Concern,

Please see the attached Inspection Violations. The City of Portland Fire Department has referred this matter to me for prosecution. In order to avoid prosecution, you must submit to Fire Prevention Bureau a plan of action to remedy the violations no later than **July 29, 2016**.

**YOUR FAILURE TO SUBMIT A PLAN OF ACTION
WITHIN THE TIMEFRAME PROVIDED WILL RESULT IN
LEGAL ACTION AND THE IMPOSITION OF CIVIL PENALTIES.**

Please feel free to contact Tori Ross of the Fire Prevention Bureau at (207)874-8400 with any questions. I look forward to your anticipated cooperation and appreciate your efforts to help keep the citizens of Portland safe.

Sincerely,

Anne M. Torregrossa
Associate Corporation Counsel
City of Portland

**CITY OF PORTLAND
PORTLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT**

380 Congress Street
Portland, Maine 04101 # 353914

Inspection Violations

Owner/Manager APOSTOLIC FAITH ASSEMBLY		Inspector Christopher Corey	Inspection Date 7/1/2016
Location 243 CUMBERLAND AVE	CBL 026 L017001	Status Failed	Inspection Type Fire Company-FP Routine Inspec

Code	Int/Ext	Floor	Unit No.	Area	Compliance Date
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1) 80.16

Violation: NFPA 101-7.9.3 EMERGENCY LIGHTS REQUIRE MAINTENANCE; 7.9.3 Periodic Testing of Emergency Equipment

7.9.3.1 Required emergency lighting systems shall be tested in accordance with one of the three options offered by 7.9.3.1.1, 7.9.3.1.2, or 7.9.3.1.3.

7.9.3.1.1 Testing of required emergency lighting systems shall be permitted to be conducted as follows:

(1) Functional testing shall be conducted monthly with a minimum of 3 weeks and a maximum of 5 weeks between tests, for not less than 30 seconds, except as otherwise permitted by 7.9.3.1.1(2).

(2) The test interval shall be permitted to be extended beyond 30 days with the approval of the authority having jurisdiction.

(3) Functional testing shall be conducted annually for a minimum 1-1/2 hours if the emergency lighting system is battery powered.

(4) The emergency lighting equipment shall be fully operational for the duration of the test required by 7.9.3.1.1(1) and (3).

(5) Written records of visual inspections and tests shall be kept by the owner for inspection by the authority having jurisdiction.

Notes: EMERGENCY LIGHTS BY B SIDE EXIT NOT WORKING

2) 80.28

Violation: NFPA 101- 7.5.1.1 EXIT OBSTRUCTED; Where exits are not immediately accessible from an open floor area, continuous passageways, aisles, or corridors leading directly to every exit shall be maintained and shall be arranged to provide access for each occupant to not less than two exits by separate ways of travel, unless otherwise provided in 7.5.1.1.3 and 7.5.1.1.4.

Notes: MEANS OF EGRESS PARTIALLY OBSTRUCTED IN A/D CORNER

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3) 80.32

Violation: NFPA 101-7.10.9 TESTING AND MAINTENANCE EXIT SIGNS REQUIRE MAINTENANCE; 7.10.9.1 Inspections. Exit signs shall be visually inspected for operation of the illumination sources at intervals not to exceed 30 days.

7.10.9.2 Testing. Exit signs connected to, or powered with, a battery-operated emergency illumination source shall be tested and maintained in accordance with 7.9.3.

7.9.3 Periodic Testing of Emergency Equipment

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Notes: EXIT SIGN BY TOP OF STAIRS ON B SIDE OF BUILDING NOT WORKING

4) 80.64

Violation: NFPA 101-7.2.1.5.1 LOCKED EXITS; DOOR LEAVES SHALL BE ARRANGED TO BE OPENED READILY FROM THE EGRESS SIDE WHENEVER THE BUILDING IS OCCUPIED.

Notes: FRONT EXIT DOOR ON A SIDE NEAR A/D CORNER LOCKED

5) 81.20

Violation: NFPA 10- 7.2.4.4 FIRE EXTINGUISHER INSPECTION TAG; Where manual inspections are conducted, records for manual inspections shall be kept on a tag or label attached to the fire extinguisher, on an inspection checklist maintained on file, or by an electronic method.

Notes: EXTINGUISHERS LAST INSPECTED 2003/2004. EXTINGUISHER IN A/D CORNER NOT CHARGED.

Comments: