

City of Wheat Ridge local amendments to the
2018 International Fuel Gas Code
(Effective July 1, 2020)

Sec. 5-87. Fuel Gas Code.

(a) *Adoption.* The International Fuel Gas Code, 2018 Edition, is hereby adopted by reference and incorporated into this article as though fully set forth herein as the fuel gas code of the City of Wheat Ridge. One (1) copy of said International Fuel Gas Code shall be filed in the office of the city clerk and may be inspected during regular business hours. Except as otherwise provided hereafter, such code is adopted in full, including the outline of contents and index contained herein. The only Appendices hereby adopted by reference are Appendices A, B, C, and D. The 2018 International Fuel Gas Code shall be known as the "I.F.G.C." or the "fuel gas code" and may be cited and referred to as such.

(b) *Amendments.* The International Fuel Gas Code adopted by this section is amended as follows. Section numbers referred to herein refer to and correspond with the section numbers of the 2018 International Fuel Gas Code.

101.1 Title. Amend to read in its entirety:

101.1 Title. These regulations shall be known as the *Fuel Gas Code* of the City of Wheat Ridge, hereinafter referred to as "this code."

106.5.3 Expiration. Amend to read in its entirety:

106.5.3 Expiration. Every permit issued by the code official under the provisions of this code shall expire one year (365 days) after the date of issuance. The building official is authorized to grant, in writing, one or more extensions of time, for periods of not more than 180 days each. The extension shall be requested in writing and justifiable cause demonstrated.

106.6.2 Fee schedule. Amend to read in its entirety:

106.6.2 Fee Schedule. The fees for work done pursuant to this code shall be as set forth in Table 1-A.

106.6.3 Refunds. Amend to read in its entirety:

106.6.3 Refunds. The code official shall authorize the refunding of fees as follows:

1. The full amount any fee paid hereunder that was erroneously paid or collected.
2. Not more than 100 percent of the permit fee paid when no work has been done under a permit issued in accordance with this code.
3. Not more than 80 percent of the plan review fee paid when an application for a permit for which a plan review fee has been paid is withdrawn or canceled before any plan review effort has been expended.
4. Not more than 50 percent of the plan review fee paid when an application for a permit for which a plan review fee has been paid is withdrawn or canceled after initiation of any plan review effort.

Note: 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.

108.4 Violation penalties. Amend to read in its entirety:

108.4 Violation penalties. Any person or entity 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 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 more than \$1,000.00 dollars or by imprisonment not exceeding 90 days, or both such fine and imprisonment; provided, however, that no person under the age of eighteen (18) years shall be subjected to imprisonment. Each day that a violation continues after due notice has been served shall be deemed a separate offense.

108.5 Stop work orders. Amend to read in its entirety:

108.5 Stop work orders. Upon notice from the code official that work is being done contrary to the provisions of this code or in a dangerous or unsafe manner 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, or visibly posted at the work site. The notice shall state the conditions under which the 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 in or about the structure after having been served with a stop work order, except such work that person is directed to perform to remove a violation or unsafe condition, shall be liable to a fine of not less than 60 dollars or not more than 1,000 dollars.

109 Means of Appeal. Amend to read in its entirety:

109 Means of Appeal. Appeals of decisions and determinations made by the Building Official shall comply with the process and procedures set forth in City of Wheat Ridge Municipal Code Sections 2-59 and 5-25. An application for appeal shall be based on a claim that the true intent of this code or the rules legally adopted thereunder, and fines, have been incorrectly interpreted, the provisions of the code do not fully apply, or an equally good or better form of construction is proposed.

406.4 Test pressure measurement. Amend to read in its entirety:

406.4 Test pressure measurement. Test pressure shall be measured with a manometer or with a pressure-measuring device designed and calibrated to read, record, or indicate a pressure loss caused by leakage during the pressure test period. Mechanical gauges used to measure test pressure shall have a maximum pressure range of 150 psig, except for one- and two-family dwellings, which shall have a maximum range of 30 psig and shall display measurements in 1 psig increments.

406.4.1 Test Pressure. Amend to read in its entirety:

406.4.1 Test Pressure. The test pressure to be used shall be no less than 1½ times the working proposed maximum working pressure, but not less than 20 psig, irrespective of design. Where the test pressure exceeds 125 psig, the test pressure shall not exceed a value that produces a

hoop stress in the piping greater than 50 percent of the specified minimum yield strength of the pipe.

406.4.2 Test duration. Amend to read in its entirety:

406.4.2 Test duration. Test duration shall be not less than one-half hour for each 500 cubic feet of pipe volume or fraction thereof, except for one- and two-family dwellings, which shall a test duration of not less than 15 minutes. The maximum test duration shall not be required to exceed 24 hours.

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