

ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, this County Board has heretofore adopted the National Electrical Code 2002 prepared by the National Fire Protection Association, and

WHEREAS, it is in the interests of the health, welfare and safety of the citizens of McHenry County; and your Planning and Development Committee is of the opinion that the updated National Electric Code 2008 should be adopted, and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid National Electric Code 2008 has been filed in the office of the County Clerk of McHenry County since October 1, 2008 and in the Planning and Development Department pursuant to 55 ILCS 5/5-6001.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the County Board of McHenry County, Illinois, that the National Electrical Code of 2008 be and the same is hereby adopted by reference pursuant to 55 ILCS 5/5-6001 with the following amendments:

ARTICLE 210.21 OUTLET DEVICES

Article 210.21 (B) Receptacles: Add #5 “Minimum wire size for commercial & industrial buildings shall be #12 AWG.”

ARTICLE 210.52 DWELLING UNIT RECEPTACLE OUTLETS

Article 210.52 (C)(3) Peninsular Counter Spaces: Add Exception: “If there is no practical mounting per the code, elimination of such outlet can be made upon authorization of the Code Enforcement Officer.”

Article 210.52 (D) Bathrooms: Add Receptacles shall not be located within 3'-0” from the edge of a tub or shower except the outlet for hydro-massage motors.

ARTICLE 210.70 LIGHTING OUTLETS REQUIRED

Article 210.70 (A)(1) Habitable Rooms: Add: “and walk-in closets.”

ARTICLE 230.70 SERVICE EQUIPMENT – DISCONNECTING MEANS

Article 230.70 (A)(1) – Add: “Fuseable disconnecting means shall be installed when more than 10’ of conductor exists between the panel and the metering device.”

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the penalty for violation of any of the provisions of the National Electrical Code 2002 shall be a fine not less than two hundred dollars (\$200) or not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) and that each day that the violation exists shall be considered a separate offense; nothing herein, however, shall preclude enforcement proceedings by means other than a fine, including injunction proceedings.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the previously adopted National Electrical Code 2002 is hereby repealed, provided that such repeal shall not affect the right of the County to institute any action at law or equity to require compliance or prosecute violations thereunder; it being the intention to preserve the cause of action and not to excuse any violation under the previous code.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if there is any conflict between this Code and other codes adopted by the County, the most restrictive provision shall prevail.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the National Electric Code 2008 shall become effective January 1, 2009 and that the County Clerk is hereby directed to distribute a certified copy of this Ordinance to the County Administrator, the Director of Planning and Development and the State’s Attorney.

DATED, at Woodstock, McHenry County Illinois, on this ____ day of _____, A.D., ____.

COUNTY OF MCHENRY, ILLINOIS

Chairman, McHenry County Board

ATTEST:

BY: _____
County Clerk