

*Repealed  
by Ord 12168*

AN ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE NO. 199377

An ordinance regulating the installation, arrangement, alteration, repair, use and operation of electric wiring, connections, fixtures and other electrical appliances in buildings and other structures in the Town of Kirkland, Washington, and for inspection of such, and providing a penalty for the violation thereof and repealing all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith.

THE TOWN OF KIRKLAND DOES ORDAIN:

Section 1. The word "Inspector" wherever used in this ordinance, shall be held and construed to mean the electrical inspector of the Town of Kirkland or <sup>his</sup> any of ~~the~~ authorized assistants.

Section 2. That it shall be unlawful for any person firm or corporation to place or install or to cause or permit to be placed or installed in or on any building, tent or other structures any wiring, apparatus or fixtures for the use of electricity for heating, lighting, or power purposes, or to make, or to cause or permit to be made, any alterations or change in or addition to any wiring, apparatus or fixtures for such use without first obtaining from the electrical inspector a permit for such installation, alteration or change ~~or~~ addition. A permit to perform electrical work in or about his own building shall be issued to any owner, provided that all work thereunder shall be performed by such person, or by husband or son of owner. The electrical inspector, however, shall not issue such permit unless the person who is to perform the work satisfy him that such person has sufficient knowledge of the matter to properly perform such work. The inspector provided for in this ordinance shall be required although a permit has been issued.

Section 3. When any work is completed and ready for inspection by the inspector, the person installing such wiring shall within three days after the completion of such work give notice to the inspector that the same has been completed and is ready for his inspection, and said inspector shall inspect work within a reasonable time thereafter.

Section 4. When any electrical wiring, apparatus or fixtures shall be found on inspection to conform to the rules and regulations provided by this ordinance the inspector shall issue a certificate of inspection, certifying that such wiring, apparatus or fixtures have been inspected and found to comply with the terms of this ordinance, but no such certificate shall be granted until such equipment is made to conform to the rules and regulations prescribed herein.

Section 5. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation, to use or to cause or permit to be used, any electric current for heating, lighting, or power purposes, in or through or by means of any wiring, apparatus or fixtures in or on any building until the same shall have been inspected and approved by the inspector and the certificate hereinbefore provided for shall have been issued therefor.

Section 6. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation furnishing electric current for light, heat or power to connect, or to cause or permit to be connected, his or its distributing system with any installation of wiring apparatus or fixtures in or on any building without having first received written permission from the inspector to furnish current for such wiring, apparatus or fixtures. Such permission shall be given by the inspector on demand at any time after the certificate provided for in this section has been issued for the wiring, apparatus or fixtures so to be connected. The inspector may also, before such certificate is issued, give temporary permission to furnish or use electric current through any wiring, apparatus or fixtures if in his opinion

such wiring apparatus or fixtures are in such condition that current may safely be used therein and there exists an urgent necessity for such use.

Section 7. That the installation of all electric wiring apparatus or fixtures in buildings tents and other structures, within the provision of this ordinance, shall, except in the particular herein expressively provided for, be governed by and conform to the Rules and regulations of the National Board of Fire Underwriters

(Exception ) No metal boxes shall be required in additional outlets in existing buildings of knot and tube installation, but loom shall be required in continuous lengths from the last fastening to the fixture.

Section 8. The Electrical Inspector shall make periodically a thorough re-inspection of the installation in buildings of all electric wiring, electric devices and electric material now installed or that may hereafter be installed within the Town of Kirkland, and when the installation of any such wiring, device and/or material is found to be in a dangerous or unsafe condition the person, firm or corporation owning, using or operating the same shall be notified and shall make the necessary repairs or changes required to place such wiring, devices and material in a safe condition and have such work completed within fifteen days, or any longer period specified by the electrical inspector in said notice, the electrical inspector is hereby empowered to disconnect or order the discontinuance of electrical service to such wiring, devices and/or material so found to be defective until such wiring, devices and material has been made safe as directed by the electrical inspector.

Section 9. Approved metallic <sup>Conduit</sup> ~~cable~~ or approved armored conductors will be required for the installation of all wiring or rewiring of basements of public buildings, or additions thereto in the fire limits of the town of Kirkland, and of wiring of new buildings, rewiring of old buildings, or the installation of new wires in

old buildings or additions thereto used as theaters or for the exhibition of moving pictures in any part of the town of Kirkland.

Moving Picture Theaters must be, in all respects, wired according to Section 9 of this ordinance and according to the standard specifications of the National Electrical Code for the wiring of moving picture theaters: and the construction and the installation of the moving picture machines enclosure and equipment shall be in accordance with the rules and requirements for same as are now on file with the inspector.

Section 10. The inspector is hereby authorized and empowered to enter at any reasonable hour upon any <sup>Public</sup> premises or into any <sup>Public</sup> building ~~or any apartment house~~ for the purpose of inspecting the same, and shall be unlawful for any person to molest, hinder, obstruct or in any way interfere with the inspection while in the discharge of his duties under the provision of this ordinance. The authority of the inspector shall extend over the installation, alteration, extension and operation of all electrical wiring, material, appliances, apparatus <sup>or</sup> and equipment used for the electrical purposes, in, on, or attached to any building in the town of Kirkland provided that none of the provisions of this ordinance shall apply to the electrical equipment in central station or sub-stations for the production or control of electrical energy for light or power.

Section 11. Upon making an inspection and accepting any electrical equipment the inspector shall leave a notice at the service switch or other suitable place stating that the electrical work has been inspected and accepted by the inspectors.

Section 12. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to conceal, or to cause or permit to be concealed any wiring before such wiring is inspected and accepted as required by this ordinance.

Section 13. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to use or cause or permit to be used, any alterations

or changes in or addition to any wiring which has been inspected and approved.

Section 14. At the time for the application for inspection is made the owner shall pay to the inspector the following fees, and no inspection shall be made by the inspector until the said fees have been paid.

FOR INSPECTION OF WIRING:

For each inspection covering 20 outlets or less, including switch outlets.....\$2.00  
For each additional outlet above twenty.....\$0.05  
Minimum charge for any inspection of old work.....\$1.00  
Minimum charge for any inspection of new work of 1 to 3 outlets, charges or additions.....\$ .50.

FOR INSPECTION OF MOTORS AND DYNAMOS:

wiring for motors and fans of less than 1 Horse power, each \$ .25  
wiring for motors and dynmos of 1 Horse power or over.....\$1.00

A charge of 25 cents for each additional trip which may be made because of premature notice that work is ready for inspection, or when the wrong address is given, also a charge of 25 cents for each additional trip which may be made by the inspector for all cases or gross carelessness or wilful neglect, when it is necessary for the inspector to make an additional trip or trips for final inspection of the permises. All charges for extra trips for inspectors shall be paid by parties installing.

Section 15. The fire limits mentioned in this ordinance shall include the town of Kirkland as it now exists <sup>as it may be</sup> or from time to time hereafter established.

Section 16. This ordinance shall not be construed or relieving from or lessing the responsibility of any person owning, operating or installing any electrial wires, appliances, apparatus or equiptment for damage to any building or to any person injured by any defect therein; nor shall the town, its officers, employes, or any agent thereof, be held liable to damages or otherwise by reason of the issuance of any permit or of the inspecton authorized herein.

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Section 17. Every person, firm or corporation, violating any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall <sup>be punished</sup> by a fine <sup>of</sup> not less than one (\$1.00) Dollar, nor more than one Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars and pay the cost of the prosecution, and each day that any person shall continue to violate or fail to comply with any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be considered a separate offence".

Section 18. That all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict hereinwith be. and the same hereby are repealed.

Section 19. The Mayor, with the approval of the Council shall appoint some person as inspector, who shall be fully qualified to inspect all wiring coming under the provisions of this ordinance.

Section 20. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force ~~thirty days~~ after its passage, *and publication as provided by law.*

Passed the Town Council this 16th day of June 1930.

Attest:

W. R. Williams  
Clerk

C. E. Newberry  
MAYOR