



Inspection

Mercantile

South Carolina State Fire Marshal
141 Monticello Trail
Columbia, SC 29203
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Activity Date: 02/18/16 03:00:00 PM
Activity Number: I-DP-2016-02-0058
Activity Cause: Complaint
Inspector 1 Name: Drew Padgett
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Property Owner

Camden SC GN, LLC
28
1001 Old River Road Main Building
Camden, SC 29021
Phone:

Occupancy Type: Mercantile
Property Use: Grocery Store
Total Violations: 10
Corrected Violations: 0
Hours: 1.5000

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that this is an official ORDER of the South Carolina State Fire Marshal stating the defects found to exist in the herein referenced structure or building, and further requiring that you as owner, agent, or person in control of said structure or building have 30 days to complete the specified repairs or improvements. You are further notified that the owner, agent, or party in control of said building or structure may APPEAL this ORDER within thirty (30) days by writing to the State Fire Marshal at the address above and stating the specified ground of appeal.

Inspection Detail Not Cited Above

Reference Number: 2012 International Fire Code 110.1 General.

If during the inspection of a premises, a building or structure or any building system, in whole or in part, constitutes a clear and imminent threat to human life, safety or health, the fire code official shall issue such notice or orders to remove or remedy the conditions as shall be deemed necessary in accordance with this section and shall refer the building to the building department for any repairs, alterations, remodeling, removing or demolition required.

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Reference Number: 2012 International Fire Code 110.1.1 Unsafe conditions.

Structures or existing equipment that are or hereafter become unsafe or deficient because of inadequate means of egress or which constitute a fire hazard, or are otherwise dangerous to human life or the public welfare, or which involve illegal or improper occupancy or inadequate maintenance, shall be deemed an unsafe condition. A vacant structure which is not secured against unauthorized entry as required by Section 311 shall be deemed unsafe.

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Reference Number: 2012 International Fire Code 311.2.2 Fire protection.

Fire alarm, sprinkler and standpipe systems shall be maintained in an operable condition at all times. Exceptions: 1. When the premises have been cleared of all combustible materials and debris and, in the opinion of the fire code official, the type of construction, fire separation distance and security of the premises do not create a fire hazard. 2. Where approved by the fire chief, buildings that will not be heated and where fire protection systems will be exposed to freezing temperatures, fire alarm and sprinkler systems are permitted to be placed out of service and standpipes are permitted to be maintained as dry systems (without an automatic water supply), provided the building has no contents or storage, and windows, doors and other openings are secured to prohibit entry by unauthorized persons.

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Reference Number: 2012 International Fire Code 311.3 Removal of combustibles.

Persons owning, or in charge or control of, a vacant building or portion thereof, shall remove therefrom all accumulations of combustible materials, flammable or combustible waste or rubbish and shall securely lock or otherwise secure doors, windows and other openings to prevent entry by unauthorized persons. The premises shall be maintained clear of waste or hazardous materials. Exceptions: 1. Buildings or portions of buildings undergoing additions, alterations, repairs or change of occupancy in accordance with the International Building Code, where waste is controlled and removed as required by Section 304. 2.

Seasonally occupied buildings.

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Reference Number: 2012 International Fire Code 311.2.1 Security.

Exterior and interior openings accessible to other tenants or unauthorized persons shall be boarded, locked, blocked or otherwise protected to prevent entry by unauthorized individuals. The fire code official is authorized to placard, post signs, erect barrier tape or take similar measures as necessary to secure public safety.

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Reference Number: 2012 International Fire Code 311.2.3 Fire separation.

Fire-resistance-rated partitions, fire barriers and fire walls separating vacant tenant spaces from the remainder of the building shall be maintained. Openings, joints and penetrations in fire-resistance-rated assemblies shall be protected in accordance with Chapter 7.

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Reference Number: 2012 International Fire Code 311.5 Placards.

Any vacant or abandoned buildings or structures determined to be unsafe pursuant to Section 110 of this code relating to structural or interior hazards shall be marked as required by Sections 311.5.1 through 311.5.5.

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Reference Number: 2012 International Fire Code 311.5.1 Placard location.

Placards shall be applied on the front of the structure and be visible from the street. Additional placards shall be applied to the side of each entrance to the structure and on penthouses.

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Reference Number: 2012 International Fire Code 311.5.2 Placard size and color.

Placards shall be 24 inches by 24 inches (610 mm by 610 mm) minimum in size with a red background, white reflective stripes and a white reflective border. The stripes and border shall have a 2-inch (51 mm) minimum stroke.

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Reference Number: 2012 International Fire Code 311.5.4 Placard symbols.

The design of the placards shall use the following symbols: 1. This symbol shall mean that the structure had normal structural conditions at the time of marking. 2. This symbol shall mean that structural or interior hazards exist and interior fire-fighting or rescue operations should be conducted with extreme caution. 3. This symbol shall mean that structural or interior hazards exist to a degree that consideration should be given to limit fire fighting to exterior operations only, with entry only occurring for known life hazards. 4. Vacant marker hazard identification symbols: The following symbols shall be used to designate known hazards on the vacant building marker. They shall be placed directly above the symbol. 4.1. R/O—Roof open 4.2. S/M—Stairs, steps and landing missing 4.3. F/E—Avoid fire escapes 4.4. H/F—Holes in floor

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Comments:

The Office of State Fire Marshal was contacted for assistance by Chief Bowers and Chief Elliot, of the City of Camden Fire Department, regarding the multiple tenant structure at 1001 Old River Road. On investigation of the structure located at the above address, it was observed that multiple indigents have inhabited this structure for shelter. Additionally, there is evidence of multiple incendiary fires having previously been set for warmth.

In accordance with the 2012 International Fire Code and SC Code of Law 23-9-150, the structure residing at 1001 Old River Road, Camden, SC has been deemed unsafe and posted as follows: 'THIS BUILDING IS UNSAFE AND ITS USE OR OCCUPANCY HAS BEEN PROHIBITED BY THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL.' Such notice shall remain posted until the required repairs are made or demolition is completed. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation, or its agents, to remove such notice without written permission of the State Fire Marshal, or for any person to enter the building except for the purpose of making the required repairs or demolishing such building. The use and occupancy of all such unsafe buildings is hereby declared illegal and such unsafe conditions shall be corrected by repair, rehabilitation or demolition.

Investigation Photographs are being maintained by the City of Camden Fire Department. Report sent to owner via email on February 24, 2016. Cc: City of Camden Fire Department

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End of Report - Chief Deputy Stickle

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