

COUNTY COUNCIL
Snohomish County, Washington



ORDINANCE NO. 81-012

PERTAINING TO THE REPEAL OF THE SNOHOMISH COUNTY
PLUMBING CODE (UNIFORM PLUMBING CODE, 1976 EDITION,
AND AMENDMENTS) AS CONTAINED IN 17.16.010-17.16.150
OF THE SNOHOMISH COUNTY CODE AND THE ENACTMENT OF
THE SNOHOMISH COUNTY PLUMBING CODE (UNIFORM
PLUMBING CODE, 1979 EDITION, AND AMENDMENTS)
AS CONTAINED IN 17.16.010-17.16.150 OF THE
SNOHOMISH COUNTY CODE

BE IT ORDAINED:

Section 1. Snohomish County Code Chapter 17.16 adopted
on the 20th day of March, 1978, is repealed.

Section 2. The following is adopted and made a part of
the Snohomish County Code:

Sections:

- 17.16.010 Code adopted--Copies on file.
- 17.16.030 Appendices.
- 17.16.040 Gas piping, water heater and water heater
vents.
- 17.16.050 Violations and penalties--Amended.
- 17.16.052 Permit fees.
- 17.16.054 Reinspection fees.
- 17.16.057 Board of Appeals.
- 17.16.060 Cumulative civil penalty.
- 17.16.070 To whom permits may be issued.
- 17.16.080 Section 310 (h) added.
- 17.16.090 Section 318 (i) (h) amended.
- 17.16.100 Section 401 (a) 2 amended.
- 17.16.110 Section 401 (a) amended--Paragraph added.
- 17.16.120 Section 1007 (c) amended.
- 17.16.130 Section 1009 (a) amended.
- 17.16.135 Appendix D 1.0 (a) amended.
- 17.16.140 Installation standards--Adopted.
- 17.16.145 Limitation of liability.

17.16.150 Snohomish County plumbing code repealer.

Chapter 17.16
PLUMBING CODE

17.16.010 Code adopted--Copies on file. The county adopts, and by reference makes a part of this chapter, the Uniform Plumbing Code, 1979 Edition, copyrighted by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials. Three copies with amendments are on file in the office of the county auditor. One copy is on file with the city clerk of each of the following cities within Snohomish County: Arlington, Brier, Darrington, Edmonds, Everett, Gold Bar, Granite Falls, Index, Lake Stevens, Lynnwood, Marysville, Monroe, Woodway, Mountlake Terrace, Mukilteo, Snohomish, Stanwood, and Sultan, being marked and designated as the Uniform Plumbing Code, 1979 Edition, published by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials, and the same is adopted as the Plumbing Code of Snohomish County providing for the issuance of permits and collection of fees therefore; providing for the violations of such code, and each and all of the regulations, provisions, penalties, conditions and terms of such Uniform Plumbing Code, 1979 Edition, published by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials, on file in the office of the County Auditor is hereby referred to, adopted and made a part hereof, as fully set out by this chapter.

This code is adopted in total including Part 1, Administration except as same is hereafter amended and is to be known as the official Uniform Plumbing Code of the County. (Ord. adopted March 9, 1981).

17.16.030 Appendices. With the exceptions of Appendices G and I (except I-1(f)), all appendices of the Uniform Plumbing Code, 1979 Edition, are incorporated by reference and made a part of this chapter. (Ord. adopted March 9, 1981).

17.16.040 Gas piping, water heater and water heater vents. The provisions of the Uniform Plumbing Code, 1979 Edition, shall not apply to the installation of gas piping, water heaters or vents for water heaters, pursuant to RCW 19.27.030(4). (Ord. adopted March 9, 1981).

17.16.050 Violation and Penalties--Amended. Section 20.3 of Part I, Administration, Violation and Penalties is amended to read:

Any person, firm or corporation violating any provision of this code shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed two hundred, fifty dollars (\$250.00) or by imprisonment. Each separate day or any portion thereof during which any violation of this code occurs or continues shall be deemed to constitute a separate offense, and upon conviction thereof shall be punishable as herein provided. The issuance or granting of a permit or approval of plans and specifications shall not be deemed or construed to be a permit for, or an approval of, any violation of any of the provisions of this code. No permit presuming to give authority to violate or cancel the provisions of this code shall be valid, except insofar as the work or use which is authorized is lawful. The issuance or granting of a permit or approval of plans shall not prevent the Administrative Authority from thereafter requiring the correction of errors in said plans and specifications or from preventing construction operations being carried on thereunder when in violation of this code or any other ordinance or statute or from revoking any Certificate of Approval when issued in error. Every permit issued by the Administrative Authority under the provisions of this code shall expire by limitation and become null and void, if the work authorized by such permit is suspended or abandoned at any time after the work is commenced for a period of one hundred twenty (120) days and/or at the expiration of eighteen (18) months from the date of issuance of the permit. Before such work can be recommenced a new permit shall be first obtained to do so, and the fee therefore shall be one-half of the amount required for a new permit for such work, provided no changes have been made, or will be made in the original plans and specifications or abandonment has not exceeded one (1) year. (Ord. adopted March 9, 1981).

17.16.052 Cost of permit. Section 20.7, Schedule of fees is amended to read:

Minimum for issuing each permit \$10.00

In addition:

For each plumbing fixture or trap or set of fixtures

on one trap (including water, drainage, piping and
 backflow protection therefor) \$3.00

For each building sewer and each trailer park sewer \$6.00

Rainwater systems - per drain (inside building) \$3.00

For each water heater and/or vent \$3.00

For each gas piping system of one (1) to four (4) outlets
 \$3.00

For each gas piping system of five (5) or more, per outlet
 \$.75

For each industrial waste pre-treatment interceptor,
 including its trap and vent, excepting kitchen type grease
 interceptors functioning as fixture traps \$3.00

For installation, alteration or repair of water piping
 and/or water treating equipment \$3.00

For repair or alteration of drainage or vent piping \$3.00

For each lawn sprinkler system on any one meter,
 including backflow protection devices therefor \$3.00

For vacuum breakers or backflow protective devices
 on tanks, vats, etc. or for installation on unprotected
 plumbing fixtures, including necessary water piping

one (1) to four (4)	\$3.00
Five (5) or more, each	\$.75

For reinspection fee \$10.00

17.16.054 Reinspection fees. Add after the second
 paragraph in Section 20.9 the following language: A re-
 inspection fee may be assessed for each inspection or re-
 inspection when such portion of work for which the
 inspection is called is not complete, or when corrections
 called for are not made.

This subsection is not to be interpreted as requiring
 re-inspection fees the first time a job is rejected for
 failure to comply with the requirements of this code, but as
 controlling the practice of calling for inspection before
 the job is ready for such inspection or re-inspection.

Re-inspection fees may be assessed when the permit card is not properly posted on the work site, the approved plans are not readily available to the inspector, for failure to provide access on the date for which inspection is requested, or for deviating from plans requiring the approval of the Administrative Authority.

To obtain a re-inspection, the applicant shall file an application therefor in writing upon a form furnished for that purpose, and pay the re-inspection fee in accordance with the fee schedule.

In instances where re-inspection fees have been assessed, no additional inspection of the work will be performed until the required fees have been paid. (Ord. adopted March 9, 1981).

17.16.057 Board of Appeals. Section 20.14 deleted and the following language is substituted:

In order to determine the suitability of alternate materials and methods of construction and to provide for reasonable interpretations of the provisions of this code, there is created a Board of Appeals. The Board of Appeals shall be appointed by the Appointing Authority and shall hold office at its pleasure. The Board shall adopt reasonable rules and regulations for conducting its investigations and shall render all decisions and findings in writing to the Building Official with a duplicate copy to the appellant and may recommend to the County Council such new legislation as it believes appropriate.

Appeals shall be made in writing (along with a \$25.00 filing fee payable to the Office of Community Development, Snohomish County Administration Building, Everett, Washington 98201). The appellant may appear in person before the Board or be represented by an attorney and may introduce evidence to support his claim. The appellant shall cause to be made at his own expense any tests or research required by the Board to substantiate his claims.

Any final order by the Board of Appeals relating to an appeal under Section 17.04.080 shall be final and conclusive unless within ten (10) days from the date of the written order the original applicant or an adverse party makes application to a court of competent jurisdiction for a Writ

of Certiorari, a Writ of Prohibition or a Writ of Mandamus. (Ord. adopted March 9, 1981).

17.16.060 Cumulative civil penalty. In addition to or as an alternative to any other penalty provided herein or by law, any person, firm or corporation violating any provision of this code shall be subject to the assessment of the cumulative civil penalty provided for in Chapter 17.40 Snohomish County Code. (Ord. adopted March 9, 1981).

17.16.070 To whom permits may be issued. No permit shall be issued to any person to do or cause to be done any work regulated by this code, except to either of the following:

(a) A person holding a valid unexpired and unrevoked plumbing contractor's certificate of registration, or other certificate of registration authorizing the holder to do plumbing work, issued by the State Department of Labor and Industries;

(b) Any person for work on his own property, whether occupied by him or not, and any person for work on his residence, whether owned by him or not; provided that such work is not undertaken with the intention and for the purpose of selling the improved property. (Ord. adopted March 9, 1981).

17.16.080 Section 310(h) added. Section 310 is amended to add:

(h) Silcocks (hose bibbs) shall not be installed in or over any outside access to underfloor crawl space, in or over any window well, or in or over stairwells to basement areas. A silcock (hose bibb) shall not be installed in a manner that is not properly secured and readily removable. (Ord. adopted March 9, 1981).

17.16.090 Section 318(i) (h)--Amended. Section 318(i) (h) is amended to read in part:

No plumbing or drainage system, building sewer, or part, thereof shall be covered, concealed or put into use until tested by a method set forth in this code and approved by the Administrative Authority and permanent final inspection and acceptance as described in this code, or any other codes

or ordinance adopted by Snohomish County. (Ord. adopted March 9, 1981).

17.16.100 Section 401(a)2 amended. Section 401(a)2 is amended to add:

ABS (Acrylonitrile-Butadiene-Styrene) and PVC (Polyvinyl Chloride) drain, waste and vent piping installations shall be limited to those structures where combustible construction is allowed. (Ord. adopted March 9, 1981).

17.16.110 Section 401(a) amended--Paragraph added. Material as approved for use within a structure for building drain shall be extended a minimum of two feet (2') and/or a distance beyond the foundation so that no connection between the building drain and the building sewer shall be under any concrete slab, or any surfaced driveway, or any carport or garage. (Ord. adopted March 9, 1981).

17.16.115 Section 503(a)2. Section 503(a)2 is amended to read:

ABS (Acrylonitrile-Butadiene-Styrene) and PVC (Polyvinyl Chloride) drain, waste and vent piping installations shall be limited to those structures where combustible construction is allowed. (Ord. adopted March 9, 1981).

17.16.120 Section 1007(c) amended. Section 1007(c) is amended to read:

(1) Any water system provided with a pressure regulating device or check valve at its source shall be provided with an approved, listed, adequately sized pressure relief valve.

(2) Any water system containing water heating equipment shall be provided with an approved, listed, adequately sized temperature and pressure relief valve installed as per Section 1007(g). (Ord. adopted March 9, 1981).

17.16.130 Section 1009(a) amended. Section 1009(a) is amended to add:

Minimum depth of water service installation shall be 24 inches below grade using a listed, approved pipe with a pressure rating of a minimum of 160 P.S.I. Joints or connections in water service lines shall not be made under

any concrete slab or any surfaced driveway or any carport or garage. Joints and connections shall be made with approved fittings only. (Ord. adopted March 9, 1981).

17.16.135 Appendix D 1.0(a) Amended. Appendix D 1.0(a) is amended to read:

(a.) Rainwater piping placed within the interior of a building or run within a vent or shaft shall be of cast iron, galvanized steel, wrought iron, brass, copper, lead, schedule 40 ABS or PVC DWV, or other approved materials.

ABS and PVC piping installations shall be limited to those structures where combustible construction is allowed. (Ord. adopted March 9, 1981).

17.16.140 Installation Standards-Adopted. The following IAPMO Installation Standards as published by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials and published in the 1979 Edition of the Uniform Plumbing Code are hereby a part of this Code:

IAPMO I.S.-1	IAPMO I.S.-10
IAPMO I.S.-2	IAPMO I.S.-11
IAPMO I.S.-3	IAPMO I.S.-12
IAPMO I.S.-4	IAPMO I.S.-13
IAPMO I.S.-5	IAPMO I.S.-14
IAPMO I.S.-6	IAPMO I.S.-15
IAPMO I.S.-7	IAPMO I.S.-16
IAPMO I.S.-8	IAPMO I.S.-17
IAPMO I.S.-9	

(Ord. adopted March 9, 1981).

17.16.145 Disclaimer of Liability. Snohomish County is not responsible for the accuracy of plans (preliminary or final) submitted for approval to the Office of Community Development of the Snohomish County Department of Community Affairs and does not guarantee that plan reviews and/or inspections will detect all hazards, design defects or code violations.

17.16.150 Snohomish County Plumbing Code repealer. Resolution of February 3, 1975, Section 1 through 31 and Resolution of December 27, 1976 and code Sections 17.16.010 through 17.16.150 are each repealed. (Ord. adopted March 9, 1981).

PASSED this 9th day of March, 1981.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
Snohomish County, Washington

ATTEST:

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Chairperson

Elicie Snyder
Clerk of Council

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