



Washington State Patrol
Fire Protection Bureau
Phone: (360) 596-3900

Business Name Avamere at South Hill
Address 3708 E 57TH AVE ,
City, State, Zip Spokane, WA 99223

Provider Number 2461
Approval Status Approved
Facility Type Residential Care

On 09/26/2024 the Office of the State Fire Marshal conducted an inspection at your facility.

Code Requirement

Statement of Violation

1 Ceiling Clearance

Storage shall be maintained 2 feet (610 mm) or more below the ceiling in nonsprinklered areas of buildings or not less than 18 inches (457 mm) below sprinkler head deflectors in sprinklered areas of buildings.
Exceptions:
1. The 2-foot (610 mm) ceiling clearance is not required for storage along walls in nonsprinklered areas of buildings.
2. The 18-inch (457 mm) ceiling clearance is not required for storage along walls in areas of buildings equipped with an automatic sprinkler system in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1, 903.3.1.2 or 903.3.1.3.
(IFC 315.2.1 2021)

CORRECTED.

2 Record Keeping

Records shall be maintained of required emergency evacuation drills and include the following information:
1. Identity of the person conducting the drill.
2. Date and time of the drill.
3. Notification method used.
4. Employees on duty and participating.
5. Number of occupants evacuated.
6. Special conditions simulated.
7. Problems encountered.
8. Weather conditions when occupants were evacuated.
9. Time required to accomplish complete evacuation.
(IFC 0405.6 2021)

ACKNOWLEDGED.



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3 Extension Cords

Extension cords. Extension cords shall not be a substitute for permanent wiring and shall be listed and labeled in accordance with UL 817. Extension cords shall not be affixed to structures, extended through walls, ceilings or floors, or under doors or floor coverings, nor shall such cords be subject to environmental damage or physical impact. Extension cords shall be used only with portable appliances. Extension cords marked for indoor use shall not be used outdoors..

(IFC 603.6 2021)

REMOVED/CORRECTED.

4 Cleaning

Hoods, grease-removal devices, fans, ducts and other appurtenances shall be cleaned at intervals as required by Sections 606.3.3.1 through 606.3.3.3.

(IFC 606.3.3 2021)

Provided.

5 Owner's Responsibility

The owner shall maintain an inventory of all required fire-resistance-rated construction, construction installed to resist the passage of smoke and the construction included in Sections 703 through 707 and Sections 602.4.1 and 602.4.2 of the International Building Code. Such construction shall be visually inspected by the owner annually and properly repaired, restored or replaced where damaged, altered, breached or penetrated. Records of inspections and repairs shall be maintained. Where concealed, such elements shall not be required to be visually inspected by the owner unless the concealed space is accessible by the removal or movement of a panel, access door, ceiling tile or similar movable entry to the space.

(IFC 701.6 2021)

Completed.



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6 Inspection and Maintenance

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(IFC 705.2 2021)

Corrected.

7 Duct and Air Transfer Openings - Maintaining Protection

Dampers protecting ducts and air transfer openings shall be inspected and maintained in accordance with NFPA 80 and NFPA 105. Other products or materials used to protect the openings for ducts and air transfer openings shall be securely attached to or bonded to the construction containing the duct or air transfer opening, without visible openings through or into the cavity of the construction. Any damaged products or materials protecting duct and air transfer openings shall be repaired, restored or replaced.

(IFC 706.1 2018)

Completed/provided.

8 Testing and Maintenance

Sprinkler systems shall be tested and maintained in accordance with Section 901.

(IFC 903.5 2021)

Reports provided.



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9 Portable Fire Extinguishers - General Requirements

Portable fire extinguishers shall be selected, installed and maintained in accordance with this section and NFPA 10.

Exceptions:

1. The distance of travel to reach an extinguisher shall not apply. The travel distance to reach an extinguisher shall not apply to the spectator seating portions of Group A-5 occupancies.

2. Thirty-day inspections shall not be required and maintenance shall be allowed to be once every three years for dry-chemical or halogenated agent portable fire extinguishers that are supervised by a listed and approved electronic monitoring device, provided that all of the following conditions are met:

2.1. Electronic monitoring shall confirm that extinguishers are properly positioned, properly charged and unobstructed.

2.2. Loss of power or circuit continuity to the electronic monitoring device shall initiate a trouble signal.

2.3. The extinguishers shall be installed inside of a building or cabinet in a noncorrosive environment.

2.4. Electronic monitoring devices and supervisory circuits shall be tested every 3 years when extinguisher maintenance is performed.

2.5. A written log of required hydrostatic test dates for extinguishers shall be maintained by the owner to verify that hydrostatic tests are conducted at the frequency required by NFPA 10.

3. In Group I-3, portable fire extinguishers shall be permitted to be located at staff locations.

(IFC 906.2 2021)

CORRECTED.

10 Inspection, Testing and Maintenance

The maintenance and testing schedules and procedures for fire alarm and fire detection systems shall be in accordance with Sections 907.8.1 through 907.8.5 and NFPA 72. Records of inspection, testing and maintenance shall be maintained.

(IFC 907.8 2021)

Reports provided.



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11 Power Test

Battery-powered emergency lighting equipment shall be tested annually by operating the equipment on battery power for not less than 90 minutes.
(IFC 1031.10.2 2021)

Scheduled to be completed, please provide report.

12 Maintenance

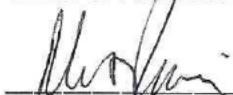
Emergency and standby power systems shall be maintained in accordance with NFPA 110 and NFPA 111 such that the system is capable of supplying service within the time specified for the type and duration required.
(IFC 1203.4 2021)

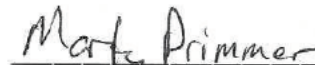
PROVIDED.

Next inspection scheduled on or after: 09/30/2025

Right of appeal. Any person may appeal any decision made by the Fire Protection Bureau in accordance with WAC 212-12.

Owner or Authorized Representative


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(IFC 315.2.1 2021)

The following violations were observed:

1. In 1st floor marketing office there is storage too close to the fire sprinkler.
2. In the 1st floor stairwell through door 83 there is a storage room that has storage too close to the fire sprinklers.
3. In the 1st floor reception storage closet there is storage too close to the fire sprinkler.

2 Record Keeping

Records shall be maintained of required emergency evacuation drills and include the following information:

1. Identity of the person conducting the drill.
2. Date and time of the drill.
3. Notification method used.
4. Employees on duty and participating.
5. Number of occupants evacuated.
6. Special conditions simulated.
7. Problems encountered.
8. Weather conditions when occupants were evacuated.
9. Time required to accomplish complete evacuation.

(IFC 0405.6 2021)

The following violation was observed:

The fire drill reports are not complete, several reports have information missing.

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(IFC 603.6 2021)

The following violation was observed:

1. On the 2nd floor there is a room that is being used as a serving station for residents due to the kitchen being under construction/remodel. There are extension cords in use for warming appliances. One extension cord was plugged into a powerstrip.
2. The 1st floor marketing office has an extension cord in use - removed at inspection.
3. The 1st floor nurses office manager's office has an unapproved extension cord.
4. In the employee lounge there are two refrigerators plugged into a powerstrip along with a microwave.

4 Cleaning

Hoods, grease-removal devices, fans, ducts and other appurtenances shall be cleaned at intervals as required by Sections 606.3.3.1 through 606.3.3.3.

(IFC 606.3.3 2021)

The following violation was observed:

Facility is unable to provide documentation for the semi-annual hood cleaning prior to 2/13/24 cleaning or after.

5 Owner's Responsibility

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(IFC 701.6 2021)

The following violation was observed:

1. Facility is unable to provide documentation that the annual fire wall inspection has been completed.
2. 1st floor cross corridor fire door has a wall penetration where the magnetic hold is.
3. 1st floor receptions area storage room has penetrations in the wall and in the ceiling.



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(IFC 705.2 2021)

NFPA 80 (2016)

5.2.3.5.2 As a minimum, the following items shall be verified:
(1) Labels are clearly visible and legible.
(2) No open holes or breaks exist in surfaces of either the door or frame.
(3) Glazing, vision light frames, and glazing beads are intact and securely fastened in place, if so equipped.
(4) The door, frame, hinges, hardware, and noncombustible threshold are secured, aligned, and in working order with no visible signs of damage.
(5) No parts are missing or broken.
(6) Door clearances do not exceed clearances listed in 4.8.4 and 6.3.1.7.
(7) The self-closing device is operational; that is, the active door completely closes when operated from the full open position.
(8) If a coordinator is installed, the inactive leaf closes before the active leaf.
(9) Latching hardware operates and secures the door when it is in the closed position.
(10) Auxiliary hardware items that interfere or prohibit operation are not installed on the door or frame.
(11)* No field modifications to the door assembly have been performed that void the label.
(12) Meeting edge protection, gasketing and edge seals, where required, are inspected to verify their presence and integrity.
(13) Signage affixed to a door meets the requirements listed in 4.1.4.

1. The following door have penetrations: Maintenance Office door.
2. Door accessing the means of egress stairwell on the 2nd floor does not close / latch.
3. The staff lounge/breakroom on the 1st floor is blocked in the open position with wedge.

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(IFC 706.1 2018)

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Facility is unable to provide documentation for the 4 year fire and smoke damper inspection.



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8 Testing and Maintenance

Sprinkler systems shall be tested and maintained in accordance with Section 901.

(IFC 903.5 2021)

The following violation was observed:

1. The facility has quick response sprinklers dated prior to 2002. UL testing documents to be provided.

NFPA 25, Chapter 5.3.1 Sprinklers

5.3.1.1 Where required by this section, sample sprinklers shall be submitted to a recognized testing laboratory acceptable to the authority having jurisdiction for field service testing.

5.3.1.1.1 Where sprinklers have been in service for 50 years, they shall be replaced or representative samples from one or more sample areas shall be tested.

5.3.1.1.1.1 Test procedures shall be repeated at 10-year intervals.

5.3.1.1.1.2 Sprinklers manufactured prior to 1920 shall be replaced.

5.3.1.1.1.3 Sprinklers manufactured using fast-response elements that have been in service for 20 years shall be replace or a representative samples shall be tested and then retested at 10 year intervals.

5.3.1.1.1.4 Representative samples of solder-type sprinklers with a temperature classification of extra high (325 degrees F) or greater that are exposed to semi-continuous to continuous maximum allowable ambient temperature conditions shall be tested at 5 year intervals.

5.3.1.1.1.5 Where sprinklers have been in service for 75 years, they shall be replaced or representative samples from one or more sample areas shall be submitted to a recognized testing laboratory acceptable to the authority having jurisdiction for field service testing and repeated at 5 year intervals.

5.3.1.1.1.6 Dry sprinklers that have been in service for 10 years shall be replaced or representative samples shall be tested and then retested at 10-year intervals.

5.3.1.1.2 Where sprinklers are subjected to harsh environments, including corrosive atmospheres and corrosive water supplies, on a 5 year basis, either sprinklers shall be replaced or a representative sample shall be tested.

5.3.1.2 A representative sample of sprinklers for testing per



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- 5.3.1.1.1 shall consist of a minimum of not less than four sprinklers or 1 percent of the number of sprinklers per individual sprinkler sample, whichever is greater.
- 5.3.1.3 Where one sprinkler within a representative sample fails to meet the test requirement, all sprinklers within the area represented by that sample shall be replaced.
2. Facility is unable to provide documentation for the annual sprinkler system inspection from 2024.
3. Facility is unable to provide documentation for the 5 year internal piping inspection from 2024.
4. Facility is unable to provide documentation for the 3 year dry system full flow trip test from 2022.
5. Facility is unable to provide documentation for the annual backflow forward flow test in accordance with NFPA 25. NFPA 25 (2017) - 13.7.2.1* All backflow preventers installed in fire protection system piping shall be tested annually by conducting a forward flow test of the system at the designed flow rate, including hose stream demand, where hydrants or inside hose stations are located downstream of the backflow preventer.
6. Facility is unable to provide documentation for the quarterly sprinkler system inspections.

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Exceptions:

1. The distance of travel to reach an extinguisher shall not apply. The travel distance to reach an extinguisher shall not apply to the spectator seating portions of Group A-5 occupancies.
2. Thirty-day inspections shall not be required and maintenance shall be allowed to be once every three years for dry-chemical or halogenated agent portable fire extinguishers that are supervised by a listed and approved electronic monitoring device, provided that all of the following conditions are met:
 - 2.1. Electronic monitoring shall confirm that extinguishers are properly positioned, properly charged and unobstructed.
 - 2.2. Loss of power or circuit continuity to the electronic monitoring device shall initiate a trouble signal.
 - 2.3. The extinguishers shall be installed inside of a building or cabinet in a noncorrosive environment.
 - 2.4. Electronic monitoring devices and supervisory circuits shall be tested every 3 years when extinguisher maintenance is performed.
 - 2.5. A written log of required hydrostatic test dates for extinguishers shall be maintained by the owner to verify that hydrostatic tests are conducted at the frequency required by NFPA 10.
3. In Group I-3, portable fire extinguishers shall be permitted to be located at staff locations.

(IFC 906.2 2021)

The following violation was observed:

1. Facility was unable to provide the required documentation for monthly fire extinguisher maintenance in accordance with NFPA 10.
2. In the fire sprinkler, fire alarm and elevator mechanical rooms, there are fire extinguishers that have not had annual service.



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10 Hangers and Brackets

Hand-held portable fire extinguishers, not housed in cabinets, shall be installed on the hangers or brackets supplied. Hangers or brackets shall be securely anchored to the mounting surface in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions.

(IFC 906.7 2021)

The following violation was observed:

In the 2nd floor there is a fire extinguisher unsecured - removed at inspection.

11 Inspection, Testing and Maintenance

The maintenance and testing schedules and procedures for fire alarm and fire detection systems shall be in accordance with Sections 907.8.1 through 907.8.5 and NFPA 72. Records of inspection, testing and maintenance shall be maintained.

(IFC 907.8 2021)

The following violation was observed:

1. Facility is unable to provide documentation for the annual fire alarm system testing and maintenance, "batteries failed".
2. Facility is unable to provide documentation for the required smoke detector sensitivity testing.
3. Facility is unable to provide documentation for the required monthly single/multiple station smoke detector testing.

12 Power Test

Battery-powered emergency lighting equipment shall be tested annually by operating the equipment on battery power for not less than 90 minutes.

(IFC 1031.10.2 2021)

The following violation was observed:

Facility is unable to provide documentation for the annual 90 minute power test for the emergency lights.



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13 Maintenance

Emergency and standby power systems shall be maintained in accordance with NFPA 110 and NFPA 111 such that the system is capable of supplying service within the time specified for the type and duration required.

(IFC 1203.4 2021)

The following violation was observed:

1. Facility did not provide the automatic backup generator inspection /service report required every 12 months by NFPA 110.
2. Facility did not provide monthly load testing documentation for the automatic backup generator as required by NFPA 110.
3. Facility did not provide the weekly visual inspection documentation for the automatic backup generator as required by NFPA 110.

Next inspection scheduled on or after: 09/20/2024

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