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Office of Fire Prevention and Control

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REPORT OF INSPECTION AND NOTICE OF VIOLATION

Facility: SUNY Canton College of
Technology

You are hereby notified that an inspection of the above named facility by the New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control disclosed violations of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code. The nature and location of the violations are specified on the accompanying pages.

These violations pose a potential for physical injury or death to the occupants of the building due to fire. Failure to remedy the violations by the date specified will expose the college or university to penalties based on the severity of the hazard(s), of up to five hundred dollars per day that the violations continue beyond the specified abatement date, and/or closure of the building if conditions constitute an imminent threat to public health or safety.

Verification that the corrective action has been taken will be performed through re-inspection of the effected property.

Any questions relating to this inspection should be directed to the New York State Office of Fire Prevention and Control - Fire and Life Safety Branch at the location indicated below.

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McCrae, Brian
Deputy Chief

Inspector : Charland, Victoria

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Agency:	State University of New York	System ID#:	707
Region:	None	Building No.:	3
Facility:	SUNY Canton College of Technology	Escort:	
Building:	Payson Hall	Inspected by:	Charland, Victoria
	34 Cornell Dr,3	Inspection Date:	03/05/2024
	Canton, NY 13617	Date of Reinsp:	04/04/2024
		Reviewed by:	
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Agency Contact: Baseball Dougout
34 Cornell Drive, MacArthur Hall 616
Canton, NY 13617
Phone (315) 386-7934
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County: St. Lawrence

----- Building Information -----

Type of Construction: 2
Number of stories: 2
Total square feet: 34480
Building Condition: In Normal use

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Building: Payson Hall

----- Violations -----

- 34 **Violation:** Identified electrical hazards shall be abated. Identified hazardous electrical conditions in permanent wiring shall be brought to the attention of the responsible building official. Electrical wiring, devices, appliances and other equipment that is modifi
- Hazard Cls.: Minimal
Code Refer.: 20F-604.1
Abate By: 04/04/2024
Location: Rm 116
Description: Elec panel does not latch closed.
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- Hazard Cls.: Minimal
Code Refer.: 20F-604.1
Abate By: 04/04/2024
Location: Master elec. room
Description: numerous panels do not shut and latch.
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- Hazard Cls.: Minimal
Code Refer.: 20F-604.1
Abate By: 04/04/2024
Location: Sprinkler control valve room
Description: 2 electrical panels do not shut and latch.
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- Hazard Cls.: Minimal
Code Refer.: 20F-604.1
Abate By: 04/04/2024
Location: Elec. room near Rendezvous
Description: elec. panel does not shut and latch.
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- Hazard Cls.: Minimal
Code Refer.: 20F-604.1
Abate By: 04/04/2024
Location: Elec. room across from Woodcock Suite
Description: 3 elec. panels do not shut and latch.
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Hazard Cls.: Minimal
Code Refer.: 20F-604.1
Abate By: Abated
Location: Ready Center
Description: Extension cord being used as permanent wiring.

40 Violation: Opening protectives in fire-resistance-rated assemblies shall be inspected and maintained in accordance with NFPA 80. Opening protectives in smoke barriers shall be inspected and maintained in accordance with NFPA 80 and NFPA 105. Openings in smoke partit

Hazard Cls.: Minimal
Code Refer.: 20F-705.2
Abate By: 04/04/2024
Location: EOP
Description: Fire door chocked in the open position.

41 Violation: Required exit accesses, exits and exit discharges shall be continuously maintained free from obstructions or impediments to full instant use in the case of fire or other emergency where the building area served by the means of egress is occupied. An exit

Hazard Cls.: Minimal
Code Refer.: 20F-1031.2
Abate By: 04/04/2024
Location: Back stage theater.
Description: Storage backstage in egress. Signs are present, however, furniture is being store in the area.

----- Recommendations -----

ADDITIONAL EXPLANATION

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CHAPTER 7 FIRE AND SMOKE PROTECTION FEATURES

SECTION 705 DOOR AND WINDOW OPENINGS

705.2 Inspection and maintenance. Opening protectives in fire-resistance-rated assemblies shall be inspected and maintained in accordance with NFPA 80. Opening protectives in smoke barriers shall be inspected and maintained in accordance with NFPA 80 and NFPA 105. Openings in smoke partitions shall be inspected and maintained in accordance with NFPA 105. Fire doors and smoke and draft control doors shall not be blocked, obstructed, or otherwise made inoperable. Fusible links shall be replaced promptly whenever fused or damaged. Opening protectives and smoke and draft control doors shall not be modified.

705.2.1 Labeling requirements. Where approved by the fire code official, the application of field-applied labels associated with the maintenance of opening protectives shall follow the requirements of the approved third-party certification organization accredited for listing the opening protective.

705.2.2 Signs. Where required by the fire code official, a sign shall be permanently displayed on or near each fire door in letters not less than 1 inch (25 mm) high to read as follows:

(1.) For doors designed to be kept normally open: FIRE
DOOR—DO NOT BLOCK.

(2.) For doors designed to be kept normally closed: FIRE
DOOR—KEEP CLOSED.

705.2.3 Hold-open devices and closers. Hold-open devices and automatic door closers, where provided, shall be maintained. During the period that such device is out of service for repairs, the door it operates shall remain in the closed position.

705.2.4 Door operation. Swinging fire doors shall close from the full-open position and latch automatically.

705.2.5 Smoke- and heat-activated doors. Smoke-activated doors shall be maintained to self-close or automatically close upon detection of smoke. Existing fusible-link-type automatic door-closing devices are permitted if the fusible link rating does not exceed 135°F (57°C).

705.2.6 Testing. Horizontal and vertical sliding and rolling fire doors shall be inspected and tested annually to confirm proper operation and full closure. Records of inspections and testing shall be maintained.

Violation#: 41

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CHAPTER 10 MEANS OF EGRESS

SECTION 1031 MAINTENANCE OF THE MEANS OF EGRESS

1031.2 Reliability. Required exit accesses, exits and exit discharges shall be continuously maintained free from obstructions or impediments to full instant use in the case of fire or other emergency where the building area served by the means of egress is occupied. An exit or exit passageway shall not be used for any purpose that interferes with a means of egress.

1031.2.1 Security devices and egress locks. Security devices affecting means of egress shall be subject to approval of the fire code official. Security devices and locking arrangements in the means of egress that restrict, control, or delay egress shall be installed and maintained as required by this chapter.

1031.2.2 Locking arrangements in educational occupancies. In Group E occupancies, Group B educational occupancies and Group I-4 occupancies, egress doors from classrooms, offices and other occupied rooms shall be permitted to be provided with locking arrangements designed to keep intruders from entering the room where all of the following conditions are met:

- (1.) The door shall be capable of being unlocked from outside the room with a key or other approved means.
 - (2.) The door shall be openable from within the room in accordance with Section 1010.1.9.
 - (3.) Modifications shall not be made to existing listed panic hardware, fire door hardware or door closers.
 - (4.) Modifications to fire door assemblies shall be in accordance with NFPA 80.
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ADMINISTRATIVE RIGHT OF APPEAL

GENERAL

Requests for clarification and questions related to this inspection report should be directed first to the inspector identified on the report. Follow up or further inquiry may be made to the district supervisor of the Office of Fire Prevention and Control, Fire and Life Safety Branch responsible for the region in which the building is located.

To formally dispute a violation, a request for review must be presented in writing, with clear explanation of the circumstances to:

Chief of the Fire and Life Safety Branch
Office of Fire Prevention and Control
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(518)-474-6746

If there is the desire to challenge that determination a formal appeal may be made to the Deputy State Fire Administrator for Enforcement at the above address. Such appeal must be presented in writing and clearly detail justification for the dispute.

LEGAL VARIANCE

To pursue relief from strict application of the requirements of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code (Uniform Code), a “variance” may be pursued. The procedures for variances and appeals regarding the Uniform Code are established in [19 NYCRR Part 1205](#). Requests for a variance generally require a hearing before a [Board of Review](#). Some requests for a variance can be resolved through an administrative process when NYS Department of State staff determines it is appropriate. For additional information, or to initiate a variance or appeal process, contact should be made with the appropriate Department of State [regional](#) office. An application for a variance or appeal of a local determination regarding applicable provisions of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code may be found at:

http://www.dos.ny.gov/dcea/pdf/varianceapp_311.pdf

COMPLIANCE PLANS

With justification, a time extension to abate a specific violation may be granted. Such extensions are determined “Compliance Plans” because they are only considered if the request demonstrates a detailed, legitimate plan that reasonably assures compliance by the date requested. Compliance plans may be submitted as a written request to the regional Fire and Life Safety Branch Deputy Chief at the address provided on this notice. To be considered, the request must be in writing and must set forth work already accomplished, the work remaining, the reason why an extension of time is necessary, and the date by which all work will be completed. All possible supporting and justifying documentation should accompany the request. Time extensions are not automatic or guaranteed. They are granted solely on the merit of each compliance plan. The compliance plan must be completed and signed by a member of the requesting agency’s management team that is authorized to commit project funding, provide timelines, and commit the agency to the legal specifications of the request.

Take notice that an application for an extension constitutes a legal obligation to correct the violation by the date granted and that failure to meet the conditions of said compliance plan will result in the assessment of penalties accrued during the extension period.