

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING MINIMUM
STANDARDS FOR ELECTRICAL WIRING
INSTALLATIONS

WHEREAS, KRS 67.083 authorizes and empowers the fiscal court of any county to exercise all the rights, powers, franchises and privileges not in conflict with the constitution and statutes of the Commonwealth of Kentucky now or hereafter enacted, which the fiscal court shall deem requisite for the health, education, safety, welfare and convenience of the inhabitants of the county; and

WHEREAS, KRS 227.320 authorizes the authorities of any county to adopt and enforce the standards of safety promulgated by the Commissioner of Insurance by its respective police force; and

WHEREAS, the Scott Fiscal Court desires to maintain certain minimum standards and requirements to insure the proper installation of electrical wiring in Scott County; and to provide for the safety and general welfare of the inhabitants of the county;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained and enacted by the Fiscal Court of the County of Scott of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, that:

Section 1. Application of These Ordinance Provisions.

(a) The provisions of this ordinance shall apply to any electrical conductors installed within or on public and private buildings and other premises, including yards, athletic fields, carnival and parking lots, and industrial substations; to the conductors that connect the installations to a supply of electricity, and other outside conductors adjacent to the premises; also to mobile homes and recreational vehicles.

(b) These ordinance provisions DO NOT apply to:

1. Installations in watercraft, railway stock, aircraft or automotive vehicles (except mobile homes and recreational vehicles).

2. Installation of railways for generation, transportation, transmission or distribution of power used exclusively for operations of rolling stock or installations used exclusively for signaling and communications purposes.

Corporation may be appointed County Electrical Inspector; all electrical inspection services rendered hereunder by such corporation shall be performed by a person who is then certified as an electrical inspector by the Kentucky Public Service Commission. All personal inspections, approvals, and enforcement of this ordinance by any person who is so certified and who is also an agent or employee of such corporate inspector shall be deemed to be the acts of, and have the same validity and effect as if such duties were performed by such corporate County Electrical Inspector.

Section 4. Inspection Procedure.

(a) It shall be the duty of the person, firm or corporation installing electrical conductors, wiring, or equipment to notify the electrical inspector when the work is ready for rough inspection and when it is ready for final inspection, and in each case the inspector shall inspect the work within a reasonable time; it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to conceal or cover any such electrical installation until after it has been reported to, inspected by, and approved by the inspector.

(b) No person, corporation, partnership, or governmental agency shall install, alter or replace any electrical wiring in any industrial, commercial, public, or residential building containing three or more living units, unless there shall have been submitted to the County Electrical Inspector, not later than six days prior to such installation, alteration or replacement, workable plans of such work which conform to the National Electric Code, and all amendments thereto.

(c) Where the inspector finds that an installation conforms with this ordinance, he shall issue to the party making the installation a written approval of either rough or final installation. Approval of final installation shall be promptly mailed to the supplier of electrical service, and no installation shall be connected to or energized by a power company until after the installation has received the final written approval of the inspector.

(d) No temporary service shall be connected to, or installed in, any structure or electrical installation. However, construction power service neither connected to, nor installed in a structure or electrical installation may be authorized for use in conjunction with and during periods of construction, remodeling, or demolition of such structures; provided that such construction power service shall, at all times, be of sufficient ampacity to safely provide all electric power used in such structure or installation until the final inspection and approval of the structure or installation, according to this ordinance.

(e) Where the inspector finds any electrical installation not conforming to the minimum standards adopted under this ordinance, the inspector may stop work on such installation until the condition is corrected. The inspector may also stop work on any installation being made by a party who has not paid the inspection fees, or who does not otherwise comply with the terms of this ordinance.

Section 5. Supplying Current to Installation Before Inspection and Approval Prohibited.

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation, including an electric utility company, to connect with or furnish current to any electrical installation which has not been inspected and approved by the County Electrical Inspector.

Section 6. Fees

(a) The electrical inspector shall have the right to charge a reasonable fee, which shall be full and complete compensation for services rendered by it in the making of said inspection, which fee shall also include the rendering of written reports. Said fee shall be paid by the contractor or person or persons installing, altering, replacing or repairing said electrical wiring or equipment, and no part thereof shall be paid by Scott County, Kentucky. The fees to be charged and paid for the inspections shall be in accordance with the recognized scale of fees charged for similar work and inspections by the electrical inspectors and