

TOWN OF MANSFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

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BOARD OF HEALTH

REGULATION OF HOUSING INSPECTIONS

Authority: Board of Health of the Town of Mansfield, in accordance with and under the authority granted by the General Laws of the Commonwealth, Chapter 111 Section 31, has adopted this regulation at a meeting of the Board of Health held on September 20, 1990.

Rationale: In addition to public health, housing inspections are required by governmental agencies for other purposes. Such requirements place a demand on resources, and are outside of the duties and obligations of the Board of Health. Anyone requesting an inspection for other than their health, safety and well being or protection of their property, should financially support such requirements.

Article 1. Request for Housing Inspection.

Section 1. Any request for a housing inspection for other than protecting the health, safety and well-being of the occupants of housing and the general public, to facilitate the use of legal remedies available to occupants of substandard housing, to assist boards of health in their enforcement of the State Sanitary Code: 105 CMR 410.000 Minimum Standards of Fitness for Human Habitation and to provide a method of notifying interested parties of violations of conditions which require immediate attention, shall be in writing.

Article 2. Fees.

Section 1. Any request for a housing inspection consistent with Article 1 of this regulation shall pay a fee.

Section 2. The fee for an inspection shall be paid not less than ten days (10) before the requested inspection is to take place.

Section 3. There shall be a fee for any inspection beyond the initial re-inspection.

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Article 3. Variance.

Section 1. The Board of Health may vary the application of any provision of this regulation, with respect to any particular case where, in its opinion, the enforcement thereof would do manifest injustice; provided, that the decision of the Board of Health shall not conflict with these standards. Any variance shall, while it is in effect, be available to the public at all reasonable hours in the office of the Board of Health.

Article 4. Severability.

Section 1. Each section of this regulation shall be construed as separate to the end that if any section or sentence, clause, or phrase thereof shall be held invalid for any reason, the remainder of that section and all other sections shall continue in full force.

Date: 9/20/90

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