

Chapter 27**ELECTRICAL STANDARDS**

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§ 27-1. Purpose.

The Town of Canton, by enactment of Local Law No. 2 of the year 1989, has provided for the enforcement of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code, and recognizing that said code, in Parts 850 and 1030.1, provides minimum parameters for the design, installation and location of electrical wiring, systems and equipment operating on fifty (50) volts or more, wishes to more fully implement the aforesaid provisions and facilitate enforcement of the same.

§ 27-2. Conformance with National Electrical Code required.

All electrical installations heretofore mentioned shall be made in conformity with the requirements of the National Electrical Code, except when the provisions of this chapter or any other local law, ordinance or Building Code of the town provide otherwise, in which event compliance with the provisions of such local law, ordinance or Building Code shall be recognized as proper compliance with this chapter. The requirements of the National Electrical Code shall be those known as "National Fire Protection Association Pamphlet No. 70, as approved and adopted by the American Standards Association."

§ 27-3. Inspections.

The Town Board of the Town of Canton, upon the advice and recommendation of the Code Enforcement Official, shall be and is hereby authorized to appoint and deputize as agents of the Town of Canton for the purpose of making inspections and re-inspections, during normal working hours (7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.), except in emergency situations, at places and upon reasonable notice, of all electrical installations regulated and covered by the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code and to approve or disapprove said installations, such persons, agencies or organizations as, in the opinion and discretion of the Code Enforcement Official, shall be qualified to conduct the same. In no event shall the cost or expense of such inspections or re-inspections be a charge against the Town of Canton. The cost shall be born by the applicant.

§ 27-4. Commercial Buildings.

- A. All newly constructed, converted, modified or altered Commercial Buildings will be wired with conduit or metal clad cable, consistent with National Electrical Code.
- B. All Commercial Buildings, as defined by State and Local Law (presently C1 thru C7), require interconnected smoke and fire detection systems.

§ 27-5. Reports.

It shall be the duty of such person, organization or agency duly appointed and deputized as provided in this chapter to report, in writing, to the Code Enforcement Official of the Town of Canton all violations of or deviations from the provisions of the National Electrical Code, and of all local laws and the Building Code insofar as any of

the same shall apply to electrical wiring, systems and equipment covered by this chapter. Such deputized inspector shall make inspections and reinspections of electrical installations in and of properties in the Town of Canton upon the written request of the Town of Canton Code Enforcement Official.

§ 27-6. Issuance of certificates of compliance.

It shall be the duty of such appointed and deputized electrical inspector to issue a certificate of compliance only when electrical installations and equipment are found to be in conformity with the provisions of the National Electrical Code and of this chapter. The inspector shall send a copy of the certificate of compliance or the official denial thereof to the Code Enforcement Official of the Town of Canton.

§ 27-7. Penalties for offenses.

Any installation or alteration of an electrical system or electrical wiring that is covered and regulated by the provisions of the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code, the National Electrical Code or a local law of the Town of Canton without the issuance of a certificate of compliance as hereinabove provided shall be a violation of this chapter. Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate the provisions of this chapter shall be subject to all penalties and remedies provided by Article 18 of the Executive Law of the State of New York as the same pertains to violations of the New York Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code.

§ 27-8. Applicability.

The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to the electrical installations of mines, ships, railway cars, automotive equipment or the installations or equipment employed by railway, electrical or communication utilities in the exercise of its function as a utility and located outdoors or in buildings used exclusively for that purpose. This chapter shall not apply to any work involved in the manufacture, assembly, test or repair of electrical machinery, apparatus, materials and equipment by a person, firm or corporation engaged in electrical manufacturing as their principal business. It shall not apply to any building which is owned or leased in its entirety by the Government of the United States of America or the State of New York.

§ 27-9. Liability.

This chapter shall not be construed to relieve from or lessen the liability of any

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person owning, operating, controlling or installing any electrical wiring, devices, appliances or equipment for loss of life or damage to person or property caused by any defect therein, nor shall the Town of Canton, its Code Enforcement Official or the deputized electrical inspector be deemed to have assumed any such liability by reason of any inspection made pursuant to this chapter.