

Chapter 158

PLUMBING

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GENERAL REFERENCES

Building construction — See Ch. 83.

Sewers — See Ch. 170.

§ 158-1. Scope.

The construction or reconstruction of plumbing and house drainage, sewerage connections and cesspools within the limits of the borough shall be conducted only under and in accordance with the rules, regulations and requirements set forth in the BOCA National Plumbing Code.

§ 158-2. Inspection upon complaint.

- A. Whenever it shall come to the knowledge of the Building Inspector or complaint, in writing, shall be made by any citizen that the plumbing or drainage in any building has become a nuisance or is contrary to the provisions and requirements of this chapter or any other ordinance or is of faulty construction and liable to breed disease or to endanger the health of the occupants or upon the request of any owner or occupant of any building fitted with plumbing or drainage prior to the passage of these rules, the Council shall direct the Building Inspector to examine the plumbing or drainage of any such building. The Building Inspector shall make a drawing of the plan of such plumbing, drainage, sewer and ventilating shaft connections.
- B. He or she shall report his or her findings, in writing, to the Council and suggest such changes as are necessary to make the same conform to the rules governing such matters.

§ 158-3. Testing of sewer connections.

When drain, soil, waste, vent and other pipes have been placed in position in any building connected or to be connected with the sewer, a preliminary water or air test of the same shall be applied in the presence of the Building Inspector.

§ 158-4. Sewer connection required.

The main drainage system of every house or building shall be separately and independently connected with the street sewer, where such sewer exists. Where there is no sewer in the street and it is necessary to construct a private sewer to connect with the sewer on an adjacent street, such plans must be submitted to and approved by the Building Inspector, but in no case shall joint drains be laid in cellars parallel with the street or alley.

§ 158-5. Sewers prohibited from running through cellars.

In no case shall the sewer from one house to another be permitted to run through cellars.

§ 158-6. Rain leaders required.

All building shall be kept provided with proper metallic leaders for conducting water from the roofs in such a manner as will protect the walls and foundations of such buildings from injury.

§ 158-7. Conduct of water to storm sewer or gutter.

In no case shall the water from leaders, when brought to the street, be allowed to flow upon the sidewalk. It shall be conducted by a pipe or pipes to the storm sewer. If there is no storm sewer in the street upon which such buildings front, then the water from such leaders shall be conducted by proper pipes below the surface of the sidewalk to the street gutter. In no case shall the leader pipe be connected with the sanitary sewer.

§ 158-8. Construction of inside leaders.

Inside leaders must be constructed in accordance with the BOCA National Plumbing Code of cast iron, wrought iron or steel, with roof connections made gastight and watertight by means of a heavy lead or copper-drawn tubing, wiped or soldered to a brass ferruloe, nipple-caulked or screwed into the pipe.

§ 158-9. Violations and penalties.

Any person, firm or corporation who or which violates any provision of this chapter shall be subject to a penalty of not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000.) for each violation, plus costs of prosecution for each violation and, in default of payment of such fine and/or costs, shall be subject to imprisonment in the county jail for a term not exceeding thirty (30) days.