

April 23rd, 2025

To: Electrical Contractors, Electrical Sign Contractors, District Managers, Electrical Senior Inspectors, Electrical Inspectors, and Electrical Sign Inspectors.

Ref: Adoption of 2023 NEC and City of Dallas Administrative Policies.

The adoption of the 2023 NEC by the Dallas City Council took place on April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025 and the effective date will be May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025.

Chapter 56 (Dallas Electrical Code) will be available May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025 on our web site: www.dallascityhall.com.

## 2023 National Electrical Code articles and Ch. 56 amendments which bear special attention:

110.17 - Servicing and maintenance of equipment.

110.26 – Requires a 2'W x 6'6"H egress path and egress doors must open at least 90 degrees.

210.8(A)(6) – All receptacles in a kitchen must be GFCI protected.

210.8(B)(7) - Fixed or stationary appliances within 6' of a sink must have GFCI protection.

210.8(D) – Specific appliance GFCI protection.

210.52(C)(3) – Receptacles may not be installed below a countertop or worksurface.

215.18 - Surge protection is required on feeders that supply dwellings.

Ch. 56 No. 13 article 220 – Calculations shall be provided when loads are added.

230.85(C) – Emergency disconnect required when replacing service equipment.

440.14 - HVAC disconnects must meet the requirements of 110.26(A).

Ch. 56 No. 20 amending 695.6(A)(1) – The exception for fire pump service conductors is deleted.

Ch. 56 No. 21 amending 705.8 – Qualified people for interconnected power supply systems are defined.

## The following items are administrative policies of the City of Dallas' Building Inspection Division.

- 1. Emergency Service Restoration. Service conductors or equipment damaged by accident or fire, or by storm conditions such as ice or falling tree limbs, may be restored to the original safe condition without required upgrading to the minimum size or rating specified in Subsection 230.79.
- 2. Equipment requiring inspection while energized will require an electrician of the proper classification to be present at time of inspection to open the equipment.

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