

AN ORDINANCE prescribing rules, regulations, and standards relating to the sale, installation, and alteration of gas piping and appliances conveying natural or any type of gas onto consumer's property extending from the point of delivery to the point of consumption; providing for the issuance of permits for the installation or alteration of gas piping or gas appliances within the Town of Redmond and providing for the inspection of same and the collection of inspection fees therefor; providing penalties for the violation of this ordinance and repealing all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict therewith.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF REDMOND:

Section 1 Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to provide minimum standards, provisions, and requirements for safe installation of gas piping and gas appliances on consumers' property, and to regulate the sale, maintenance and alteration of such piping and appliances.

Sec. 2 Scope. All gas appliances or gas piping hereafter sold, installed or altered within the corporate limits of the Town of Redmond shall conform to the requirements of this ordinance.

Sec. 3 Definitions. Where used in this ordinance, the following words shall have the meaning herein defined, unless, from the context, a more limited meaning is clearly indicated.

(1) Certificate of Approval shall mean a document issued or attached to the material, piping, or installation, together with the date, address of the premises or consumer, approved and signed by the Inspector.

(2) Consumer shall mean any person, association, firm, municipal corporation and/or corporation that uses gas, including residential, commercial, and industrial users.

(3) Gas shall include natural, artificial and/or mixed gas

(4) Gas Appliance shall mean any appliance, equipment or device used for burning gas.

(5) Gas Company shall mean any person, firm, or corporation holding and exercising a franchise or permit to distribute gas within the corporate limits of the Town.

(6) Gas Company Service Line shall mean the gas piping leading from the gas main to the point of delivery.

(7) Gas Fitting shall mean the installation, extension, alteration, or repair of gas piping, appliances, vents, measuring devices, regulating valves or appurtenances for the storage, supply, or dispensing of gas.

(8) Gas Fitter shall mean one who does any gas fitting work, installs, repairs, or remodels any gas piping or appliances which would be subject to the supervision and inspection under the provisions of this ordinance.

(9) Inspector shall mean the administrative authority, so designated by the Mayor, or his duly authorized representative.

(10) Person shall mean any person, firm, association, or corporation.

(11) Point of Delivery shall mean the junction of the utility's meter with the consumer's piping.

(12) Premises shall mean the property, including structures, of the consumer

(13) Used Gas Appliance shall mean a gas appliance which has been previously sold, installed, and used

(14) Vent shall mean a pipe, flue, or chimney designed and/or installed to carry the products of combustion from a gas appliance to the outside atmosphere.

Sec 4 Permits for Work on Consumer's Property and Fees

No person shall install or alter any gas piping or gas appliance pertaining to, or in connection with, a gas system on a consumer's premises within the Town of Redmond without first applying for and obtaining a permit in the form prescribed by the Inspector to do such work. Provided, however, that no permit shall be required for servicing gas appliances. Such permit shall state the kind of work to be done thereunder, and it shall be unlawful to do or perform any work other than that designated in said permit. Such permit shall also state the location by street and number of the consumer's premises and shall terminate ninety days after issuance unless extended by the Inspector for good and sufficient cause. The Inspector shall collect a fee of \$ 2 0 0 for each permit issued. Persons failing to obtain a permit before commencing work on the installation or alteration of any gas piping or gas appliance, except as otherwise provided herein, shall be required to pay double the fee herein specified when such permit is finally obtained. The payment of such double fee, however, shall in no way relieve the person of the penalties otherwise provided for the violation of this ordinance. Provided, that in case of an emergency where immediate work is necessary, such work may be done under the express condition that a permit be obtained on or before noon of the next business day following.

Sec. 5 Inspection Fee Schedule.

The following inspection fees shall be paid in addition to the permit fee charged in Section 4:

For each appliance having an hourly total input rating of 200,000 BTU, or less	\$ <u>2 0 0</u>
For each appliance having an hourly total input rating of more than 200,000 BTU	\$ <u>3 0 0</u>
Gas piping inspections exceeding 75 lineal feet	\$ <u>4 0 0</u>
Gas piping inspections not exceeding 75 lineal feet	\$ <u>3 0 0</u>

When a permit is issued to connect an appliance to an existing stub or outlet, no additional fee will be charged for piping inspection. Where new piping is required to supply the appliance, the above fees for house piping inspection will be collected.

Sec. 6 Enforcement.

The Inspector is authorized and directed to cause inspections to be made of all consumer gas installations and gas transmission and distribution systems within the city and to enforce all of the provisions of this ordinance. Upon presentation of proper credentials, the Inspector may require entry to any consumer's building or premises at any reasonable time for the purpose of making inspection or preventing violations of this ordinance.

Sec. 7 Records.

The Inspector shall keep a record of all gas installations inspected. He shall also keep a record of all permits issued and Certificates of Approval granted under this ordinance.

Sec 8 Piping Inspection.

(1) Inspector to be Notified for Inspection When any work done under a permit issued by the Inspector is completed and ready for inspection, the person to whom the permit has been issued, shall, within twenty-four (24) hours after completion of said work, notify the Inspector that the same has been completed and is ready for inspection and the Inspector shall cause said work to be inspected within a reasonable time thereafter.

(2) Test and Piping Inspection. Test and piping inspection shall be made by the Inspector after all piping authorized by the permit has been installed and before any portions thereof which are to be concealed by plastering or otherwise, have been so concealed, and before any fixtures or gas appliances have been attached thereto. This inspection shall include a pressure test at which time the piping shall stand an air pressure equal to not less than the pressure of a column of mercury six (6) inches in height, and the piping shall hold this air pressure for a period of at least ten (10) minutes without any perceptible drop in pressure. A U-gauge type mercury column shall be used for the test.

(3) Tools, Apparatus and Labor for Test. All tools, apparatus, labor and assistance necessary for the test shall be furnished by the permittee.

(4) Inspection on Renewal of Service. No gas company shall re-connect gas service to any consumer's premises to which no gas has been delivered for a period of twelve (12) months unless a new certificate of approval has been provided upon proper application therefor by the Inspector, for which there shall be a fee of 1/2 of the applicable initial charges.

Sec. 9 Piping Diagram. The Inspector may require a piping diagram prior to the issuance of a certificate of approval if, in the opinion of the Inspector, the nature and complexity of the installation requires a record of the method or location of the components of the installation.

Sec. 10 Certificate of Approval. The Inspector shall issue a Certificate of Approval at the completion of the work for which a specific permit has been issued, if, after inspection, the work is found to comply with the provisions of this ordinance and all other requirements of law or ordinance applicable thereto. A duplicate of such Certificate of Approval shall be delivered to the gas company and used as its authority to grant gas service to the consumer.

Sec. 11 Defective Work or Materials. If the Inspector shall find that defective materials have been used or defective workmanship has been performed in the installation, alteration or extension of any gas pipe, fixture, or appliance in, or on, any consumer's premises, such defective materials or work shall be replaced by the permit holder within three days and the inspection repeated. A fee for such re-inspection shall be charged at the rate of 1/2 of the applicable initial charge for the piping and/or appliance re-inspected.

Sec. 12 Discontinuance or Refusal of Service.

(1) The gas company may discontinue or refuse to supply gas for any gas piping, fixture, or gas appliance which it may find to be defective or leaking, or in such conditions to endanger life or property; Provided, however, that the gas company shall immediately give written notice of the discontinuance or refusal of service to the Inspector and the occupant of the consumer's building or premises where such gas supply is discontinued or refused. Upon such notice, the Inspector shall immediately cause an investigation to be made of the conditions reported by the gas company and it shall be unlawful for any person to reconnect

any gas piping, venting, fixture, or appliance until authorized by the Inspector to do so.

(2) In all cases in which the supplying of gas has been discontinued for safety reasons, the supplying of gas shall not be resumed until authorized by the Inspector; Provided, however that if the gas has been turned off by a gas fitter or an employee of the gas company while doing work upon the premises, such gas fitter or employee is entitled to turn on the gas again when he has finished the work, without authorization from the Inspector

Sec. 13 Dangerous or Defective Piping or Appliance, Disconnection of by Inspector; Right of Access.

(1) The Inspector may cause to be disconnected any gas piping, venting, fixture, or appliance which has been connected before a Certificate of Approval has been issued, or which, upon inspection, shall be found defective or in such condition as to endanger life or property. In all cases in which such a disconnection is made, a notice shall be affixed thereto and shall state that the same has been disconnected by the Inspector, together with the reasons therefor; and it shall be unlawful for any person to remove said notice or to reconnect said gas piping, venting, fixture, or appliance until authorized by the Inspector to do so.

(2) The Inspector shall have the duty, responsibility, and right of access to inspect all gas appliances in public buildings, commercial buildings, and industrial plants in connection with the enforcement of fire regulations.

Sec. 14 Requirements of New or Used Gas Appliances and Accessories.

(1) All gas appliances and accessories installed for domestic or commercial use shall comply with American Standard Approval, Listing, and Installation Requirements for gas appliances and accessories covering safe operation, substantial and durable construction, acceptable performance and installation adopted by the American Standards Association, Inc., and as hereafter amended; Provided, however, that industrial and other specialized appliances and equipment not included in the requirements of the American Gas Association, Inc., and adopted by the American Standards Association, Inc., may be sold or installed on approval of the Inspector. Each appliance approved by the American Gas Association, Inc., shall be so marked or labelled with a distinctive trademark or name as a means of identification and shall bear information showing the rated heat input in BTU's per hour. Each new gas appliance approved by the American Gas Association, Inc., shall be considered an approved appliance and shall also be marked and labelled. All new hot water heaters and heating appliances shall also be equipped with an American Gas Association approved shut-off type automatic pilot.

(2) All used gas appliances hereafter sold or offered for sale or installed shall be approved by the Inspector for safety, and shall be identified accordingly; used gas appliances shall be connected to gas outlets for use at the time of inspection. In the event the appliance has been used, it shall be subject to approval by the Inspector as having been properly designed or converted for use with natural gas or any admixture thereof.

(3) Provided, however, that nothing contained in this section shall be construed to waive the gas piping and connection inspections contained elsewhere in this ordinance and required at the time of installation of gas piping and gas appliances, including pressure tests of gas tubing or piping newly installed prior to connection to such appliance.

Sec. 15 Conversion from Non-Gas Fuel to Natural Gas
Furnaces, boilers, or other types of heating equipment designed to burn fuel other than gas shall not be converted to burn gas until such equipment has been approved for conversion by the Inspector. All heating appliances which are converted to gas shall be vacuum cleaned and brushed down.

Sec. 16 Conversion of Piping and Appliances to Natural Gas
Before a natural gas supply is furnished by the gas company to a consumer who has been previously using Butane, Propane, or other liquefied petroleum, or manufactured gases, the consumer shall secure a permit from the Inspector showing compliance with this ordinance after an inspection shall have been made by the Inspector of the piping and appliances on the consumer's premises.

Sec 17 Proper Installation. Every gas appliance hereafter installed shall be installed in accordance with the requirements of gas piping and gas appliances in buildings as set forth in the NBFU No 54, Standards of the National Board of Fire Underwriters for the Installation of Gas Appliances and Gas Piping, dated August, 1959, and as the same may be hereafter amended or revised

Sec. 18 Meter Location. A meter location shall be provided by the consumer for the building or premises to be served, and the location shall be such that the meter connections are easily accessible in order that the meter may be read or changed. No gas meter shall be hereafter installed under a stoop, stairway, show window, or porch, or in an unventilated or confined space, and shall be a safe distance from a furnace, boiler or other heating appliance or device. No meter shall be placed in any location where it will be inaccessible or exposed to injury, such as driveways, or where it will be subjected to excessive corrosion.

Sec 19 Unlawful Restoration of Gas and By-Passing of Meter
It shall be unlawful for any person to restore the flow of gas through pipes which have been shut off either by the gas company or the Inspector, or to cause gas supplied by the gas company to by-pass the meter by which the amount of gas is measured.

Sec. 20 Adoption by Reference. The following, and as the same also may be amended or revised hereafter, are hereby adopted by this reference made thereto and shall be observed as though fully set forth herein:

American Standard Requirements for Installation of Domestic Gas Conversion Burners 221.8

American Standard Requirements for Installation of Gas Conversion Burners in Domestic Ranges 221.38

NBFU No. 54, Standards of the National Board of Fire Underwriters for the Installation of Gas Appliances and Gas Piping.

Sec. 21 Conflicting Provisions. In the event any of the provisions of this ordinance conflict with any other provisions of this ordinance, with any other ordinances of this Town, or with the standards embodied in state and federal laws and rules and regulations, including those codes adopted by reference in Section 20 hereof, the provisions containing the highest standards shall be observed

Sec 22 Penalties. Any person who shall fail to comply with, or violate, any of the provisions of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be fined in an amount not exceeding \$ 100.00, or by imprisonment in the Town Jail not exceeding 30 days or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Sec. 23 Repealing Clause. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Sec. 24 Validity. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance

Sec. 25 Title of Ordinance. This ordinance shall be known as the "Gas Ordinance" of Redmond, and may be cited as such.

Sec. 26 Effective Date. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect UPON PASSAGE AND APPROVAL

PASSED by the Council of the Town of Redmond at a regular meeting thereof and APPROVED by the Mayor this 14TH day of September, 1960.

TOWN OF REDMOND

S. C. Graef
Mayor

ATTEST:

Florine Skults
Clerk