Chapter 18

Electrical Code

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- [HISTORY; Adopted by Attica Village Board 9-5-63; effective 9-23-63.]
- S 18-1. Title.

This ordinance shall be known as the Electrical Code of the Village of Attica.

S 18-2. Statement of purpose.

Since there is danger to life and property inherent in the use of electrical energy, this Electrical Ordinance is enacted to regulate the installation, alteration of wiring for electric light, heat or power and signal systems operating on fifty (50) volts or more, in or on all real property within the Village of Attica.

S 18-3. National Code adopted.

All electrical installations heretofore mentioned shall be made in conformity with the requirements of the National Electrical Code except where the provisions of this ordinance or any other local law, ordinance or building code of the Village of Attica shall differently prescribe, in which event compliance with the provisions of such local law, ordinance or building code shall be recognized as proper compliance with this ordinance. 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.

S 18-4. Electrical Inspector.

The chief Inspector, and each of the duly appointed Inspectors of the New York Board of Fire Underwriters are hereby authorized and deputized as agents of the Village of Attica to make inspections and re-inspections of all electrical installations heretofore and hereafter described and to approve or disapprove the same. In no event, however, will the cost or expense of such inspections and re-inspections be a charge against the Village of Attica.

S 18-5. Duties of the Electrical Inspector.

It shall be the duty of the Inspector to report in writing to the Fire Chief of the Village of Attica Fire Department, whose duty it shall be to enforce all the provisions of this code, all violations of or deviations from or omissions of the electrical provisions of the National Electrical Code, and of all local laws, ordinances, and the building code as referred to in this ordinance insofar as any of the same apply to electrical wiring. The Inspector shall make inspections and reinspections of electrical installations in and on properties in the Village of Attica upon the written request of an authorized official of the Village of Attica or as herein provided. The Inspector is authorized to make inspections and reinspections of electrical wiring installations, devices, appliances and equipment, in and on properties within the Village of Attica where he deems it necessary for the protection of life and property. In the event of an emergency it is the duty of the Inspector to make electrical inspections upon the oral request of an official or officer of the Village of Attica. It shall be the duty of the Inspector to furnish written reports to the proper officials of the Village of Attica and owners and or lessees of property where defective electrical installations and equipment are found upon inspection. He shall authorize the issuing of a certificate of compliance when electrical installations and equipment are in conformity with this ordinance. He shall direct that a copy of the certificate of compliance be sent to the Village of Attica to the attention of the Fire Chief.

S 18-6. Violations of the ordinance.

It shall be a violation of this ordinance for any person, firm or corporation to install or cause to be installed, or to alter electrical wiring for light, heat or power in or on properties in the Village of Attica until an application for inspection has been filed with the New York Board of Fire Underwriters. It shall be a violation of this ordinance for a person, firm or corporation to connect or cause to be connected electrical wiring, in or on properties for light, heat or power, to any source of electrical energy supply, prior to the issuance of a temporary certificate, or a certificate of compliance, by the New York Board of Fire Underwriters.

S 18-7. Penalty for violations.

Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any of the provisions of this ordinance or any rule or regulation made pursuant thereto shall be guilty of disorderly person, and upon conviction thereof may be punished by a fine of not more than twenty-five dollars (\$25.), and each day on which such violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

S 18-8. Ordinance not applicable in certain cases.

The provisions of this ordinance shall not apply to the apply to the electrical installations in mines, ships, railway cars, automotive equipment or the installations or equipment, employed by a railway, electrical or communication utility in the exercise of its function as a utility, and located outdoors or in buildings used exclusively for that purpose. This ordinance 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 or the State of New York.

S 18-9. No waiver or assumption of liability.

This ordinance shall not be construed to relieve from or lessen the responsibility of any 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 Village of Attica or the New York Board of Fire Underwriters be deemed to have assumed any such liability by reason of any inspection made pursuant to this ordinance.

S 19-10. Separability clause.

If any part or provision of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance be adjudged invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall be confined in its operation to the part or provision or application directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered and shall not affect of impair the validity of the remainder of this ordinance or the application thereof to other persons or circumstances and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Attica hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance or the remainder thereof had such invalid application or invalid provision been apparent.

S 18-11. Repealing provisions.

All ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

S 18-12. Effective date.

This ordinance shall take effect on September 23, 1963.