# Local Law # 1 of the year 1982 Amended Local Law # 1 1991

## ESTABLISHING THE ELECTRICAL CODE OF THE TOWN OF HUNTER

# **SECTION 1.**

TITLE. This Local Law shall be known as the Electrical Code of the Town of Hunter.

## 2. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE.

Since there is danger to life and property inherent in the use of electrical energy, this electrical Local Law is enacted to regulate the installation, alteration of wiring for electric light, heat or power and signal systems operating on 50 volts or more, in or on all real property within the Town of Hunter.

## 3. NATIONAL CODE ADOPTED.

All electrical installations heretofore mentioned shall be made in conformity with the requirements of the National Electrical Code except when the provisions of this Local Law or any other local law, ordinance or building code of the Town of Hunter 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 Local Law. The requirements of the National Electrical Code shall be those known as National Fire Protection Association Pamphlet #70, as approved and adopted by the American Standards Association.

## 4. ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR.

Inspectors of any Electrical Agency, as approved by the County of Greene, are hereby authorized and deputized as agents of the Town of Hunter to make inspections and reinspections of all electrical installations heretofore and hereafter described, and to approve or disapprove the same. In no event, however, will the cost or expense or such inspections and re-inspections be a charge against the Town of Hunter.

## 5. DUTIES OF THE ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR.

It shall be the duty of the Inspector to report in writing to the Chief Building Inspector, 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 Local Law insofar as any of the same apply to electrical wiring. The inspector shall make inspections and re-inspections of electrical installations in and on properties in the Town of Hunter upon the written request of an authorized official of the Town of Hunter or as herein provided. The Inspector is authorized to make inspections and re-inspections of electrical wiring installations, devices, appliances and equipment, in and on properties within the

Town of Hunter 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 Town of Hunter. It shall be the duty of the Inspector to furnish written reports to the proper officials of the Town of Hunter 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 Local Law. He shall direct that a copy of the certificate of compliance be sent to the Town of Hunter to the attention of the Building Inspector.

# 6. VIOLATIONS OF THE LOCAL LAW.

It shall be a violation of the Local Law 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 Town of Hunter until an application for inspection has been filed with an Electrical Agency as approved by the County of Greene. It shall be a violation of this Local Law 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 an Electrical Agency as approved by the County of Greene.

## 7. PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS.

Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any of the provisions of this Local Law or any rule or regulation made pursuant thereto shall be guilty of disorderly conduct and shall be a disorderly person, and upon conviction thereof may be punished by a fine of not more than TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS and each day on which such violation continues shall constitute a separate offence.

## 8. LOCAL LAW NOT APPLICABLE IN CERTAIN CASES.

The provisions of this Local Law shall not 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, and located outdoors or in buildings use exclusively for that purpose. This Local Law 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.

## 9. NO WAIVER OR ASSUMPTION OF LIABILITY.

This Local Law 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 Town of Hunter or Electrical Agency, as approved by the County of Greene, be deemed to have assumed any such liability by reason of any inspection made pursuant to this Local Law.

## 10. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.

If any part or provision of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person or circumstance be adjudged invalid in 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 or impair the validity of the remainder of this Local Law or the application thereof to other persons or circumstances and the Town Board of the Town of Hunter hereby declares that it would have passed this Local Law or the remainder thereof had such invalid application or invalid provision been apparent.

## 11. REPEALING PROVISIONS.

All Ordinances and Local Laws and parts of Ordinances and Local Laws inconsistent with this Local Law are hereby repealed.

## 12. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Local Law shall become effective immediately after it is filed in the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York.