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FIRE SAFETY INSPECTOR

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SKILLS

Fire Code Enforcement (IFC/NFPA 101)

Commercial & Industrial Inspections

Origin & Cause Investigation

Public Fire Education

Life Safety Planning

Documentation & Report Writing

Joint Commission Compliance

Arson Referral Coordination

EDUCATION

Community College of Allegheny County

Pittsburgh, PA

Associate of Applied Science

Sep 2010 - May 2014

Fire Science Technology

LANGUAGES

English ●●●●●

Spanish ●●●○○

SUMMARY

ICC-certified Fire Safety Inspector with 10 years of experience conducting commercial, residential, and industrial inspections for the City of Pittsburgh Bureau of Fire. Completed 520+ fire safety inspections in the past year with a 96% first-pass compliance rate. Reduced repeat violation rates 29% by implementing a proactive re-inspection scheduling protocol. Experienced in IFC, NFPA 101, and Pennsylvania State Fire Code enforcement.

EXPERIENCE

City of Pittsburgh Bureau of Fire – Fire Prevention Division Pittsburgh, PA

Fire Safety Inspector May 2017 - Present

Conduct commercial, industrial, and residential fire safety inspections across Pittsburgh's 90 neighborhoods.

- Completed 520+ annual fire safety inspections across commercial, industrial, and high-rise residential occupancies
- Achieved 96% first-pass compliance rate, 18 points above division average, through pre-inspection consultations
- Reduced repeat violation rate 29% by implementing a proactive 30-day re-inspection scheduling protocol
- Investigated 34 fire incidents to determine origin and cause; findings submitted to Allegheny County DA in 4 arson cases
- Conducted 24 public fire safety education presentations to schools, businesses, and residential associations
- Collaborated with Pittsburgh Police Department on 6 joint fire-and-crime scene investigations

UPMC Presbyterian Shadyside – Facilities Safety Pittsburgh, PA

Fire Safety Officer Aug 2014 - Apr 2017

Managed fire safety compliance and emergency evacuation planning for a 640-bed Level I Trauma Center.

- Maintained Joint Commission fire safety compliance for a 640-bed Level I Trauma Center across 4 campus buildings
- Executed 48 fire drills annually, coordinating evacuation of 1,200+ staff and patients with zero reportable incidents
- Updated hospital fire safety plan in compliance with NFPA 101 Life Safety Code revision, reducing deficiencies by 45%

PROJECTS

Project Lead

Fire Safety Training Program Jan 2020 - Jun 2020

Developed and implemented a fire safety training program for a large commercial property

CERTIFICATES

ICC Certified Fire Inspector I (CFI-I)

Mar 2018

International Code Council (ICC)

International Code Council fire inspector certification for commercial and residential occupancies.

ICC Certified Fire Inspector II (CFI-II)

Nov 2019

International Code Council (ICC)

Advanced fire inspection certification for complex and high-hazard occupancies.

NFPA 1031 Fire Inspector Certification

Jan 2020

National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)

NFPA professional qualification for fire inspector and plan examiner.

CPR/AED Certification

Feb 2023

American Red Cross

Professional Rescuer BLS, current.

Fire safety training software • Emergency response planning tools

Lead Inspector

Fire Risk Assessment Jun 2018 - Dec 2018

Conducted a fire risk assessment for a large industrial facility

Fire risk assessment software • Fire modeling tools