



# Haywood County Fire Marshal

Occupancy: **Park Street Apartments**  
Occupancy ID: **PARKSTAPT**  
Address: **109 PARK ST**  
**CANTON NC 28716**

Inspection Type: **Fire Inspection (Complaint)**

Inspection Date: **9/15/2020**

By: **Messer, Andrew C (FM1)**

Time In: **09:00**

Time Out: **10:18**

Authorized Date: **09/20/2020**

By: **Messer, Andrew C (FM1)**

Form: Fire Inspection Form

## Important Instructions

Please take a moment right now and send us an email to [haywoodcountyfiremarshal@gmail.com](mailto:haywoodcountyfiremarshal@gmail.com) or call us to confirm that you have received this copy of your fire inspection report

[haywoodcountyfiremarshal@gmail.com](mailto:haywoodcountyfiremarshal@gmail.com)

**Status:** INFO

**Notes:**

## General Requirements

Combustible waste material creating a fire hazard shall not be allowed to accumulate in buildings or structures or upon premises

304.1

**Status:** FIRE CODE VIOLATION

**Notes:** MAIN BLDG - discarded smoking materials found laying in the hallways and under the molding along the edges of the hallways (cigarette butts)

Maintain clearance around hot water heaters

315.2

**Status:** FIRE CODE VIOLATION

**Notes:** MAIN BLDG - basement

Organize & reduce storage

315.2

**Status:** FIRE CODE VIOLATION

**Notes:** MAIN BLDG - basement

BACK BLDG - 2nd floor storage room

Remove all storage from mechanical room

315.2.3

**Status:** FIRE CODE VIOLATION

**Notes:** BACK BLDG - 1st floor hot water heater room (all storage must be removed)

## Emergency Planning and Preparedness

Develop and prominently post a fire safety and evacuation map on the wall several times throughout the building(s)

404

**Status:** FIRE CODE VIOLATION

**Notes:** MAIN BLDG - develop and post an emergency escape map showing two ways out of each area (post on all floors)

## Fire Service Features

Post address numbers in an approved location

505.1 (Minimum of 6 inch height and 3/4 inch stroke and on a contrasting background)

**Status:** RECCOMENDED

**Notes:** MAIN BLDG, BACK BLDG - ensure that all apartments are numbered on the doors to assist responders with locating them in the event of an emergency

Post address numbers on the building in approved location

505.1 (Must be at least 6 inches tall or larger, at least 3/4 inch stroke width and on a contrasting background)

**Status:** REQUIRED

**Notes:** MAIN BLDG - make sure the address numbers posted on the building are at least 4 inches tall, preferably 6 inches tall

Install Knox Box in approved location

506.1 [www.knoxbox.com](http://www.knoxbox.com)

**Status:** RECCOMENDED

**Notes:** [www.knoxbox.com](http://www.knoxbox.com) - Canton Fire Dept, NC

## Building Services and Systems

Place sign on exterior of electrical room door stating "ELECTRICAL ROOM" or "ELECTRICAL"

605.3.1

**Status:** FIRE CODE VIOLATION

**Notes:** install permanent "ELECTRICAL" sign (metal, plastic, vinyl, etc. - no paper) on the doors in the below-listed locations

MAIN BLDG - basement door

BACK BLDG - 1st floor hot water heater room

Repair modified or damaged electrical equipment (Explain)

605.1

**Status:** FIRE CODE VIOLATION

**Notes:** BACK BLDG - 1st floor hot water heater room (remove homemade outlet cord coming out the side of the breaker box and seal the hole in the side of the breaker box with a knockout plug)

BACK BLDG - repair/replace all damaged exterior light fixtures on the walls outside on the walkways

Install blanks to cover open spots in breaker box

605.1

**Status:** FIRE CODE VIOLATION

**Notes:** BACK BLDG - 2nd floor exterior walkway (is outside on the wall near the stairs)

Install cover door over open breaker box

605.1

**Status:** FIRE CODE VIOLATION

**Notes:** MAIN BLDG - basement

BACK BLDG - 1st floor hot water heater room

Discontinue use of and remove all extension cords from the occupancy

605.5

**Status:** FIRE CODE VIOLATION

**Notes:** MAIN BLDG - basement

Tighten loose light switch

605.6

**Status:** FIRE CODE VIOLATION

**Notes:** BACK BLDG - 2nd floor exterior walkway (near breaker box and stairs)

Install cover plate over open electrical outlet

605.6

**Status:** FIRE CODE VIOLATION

**Notes:** MAIN BLDG - basement (multiple)

BACK BLDG - 2nd floor storage room

Install cover plate over open junction box

605.6

**Status:** FIRE CODE VIOLATION

**Notes:** MAIN BLDG - 2nd floor inside closet by apartment 15, basement (multiple)

Install cover plate over open light switch

605.6

**Status:** FIRE CODE VIOLATION

**Notes:** MAIN BLDG - basement

BACK BLDG - hot water heater room

Install junction box with cover to protect open-wiring splices

605.6

**Status:** FIRE CODE VIOLATION

**Notes:** MAIN BLDG - basement (multiple), basement on hot water heater

Other violation (Explain)

See notes

**Status:** FIRE CODE VIOLATION

**Notes:** REPLACE BROKEN LIGHT SWITCH

BACK BLDG - 2nd floor walkway (outside on the wall near the breaker box and the stairs)

### Fire-Resistance Rated Construction

Repair holes in fire-resistive construction

703.1

**Status:** RECCOMENDED

**Notes:** MAIN BLDG - basement (recommend putting layers of sheetrock over the underneath of the steps in the basement as this is the ONLY way for 2nd and 3rd floor residents to safely exit the building)

Seal all penetrations with Fire Caulk

703.1

**Status:** FIRE CODE VIOLATION

**Notes:** BACK BLDG - 1st floor hot water heater room

## Fire Protection Systems

Provide & mount a 5-10 lb. ABC type fire extinguisher

906.1

**Status:** FIRE CODE VIOLATION

**Notes:** MAIN BLDG - current extinguishers are too small - need at least one 5 or 10 lb ABC type rechargeable fire extinguisher per floor of the building

BACK BLDG - currently has NO extinguishers - need at least one 5 or 10 lb ABC type rechargeable fire extinguisher per floor of the building

Replace battery in smoke detector

907.1

**Status:** FIRE CODE VIOLATION

**Notes:** MAIN BLDG - basement (current one is chirping)

MAIN BLDG, BACK BLDG - \*\* ALL SMOKE AND CO DETECTOR BATTERIES MUST BE CHANGED TWICE EACH YEAR  
\*\*

Install carbon monoxide detector

908.7

**Status:** RECOMMENDED

**Notes:** MAIN BLDG, BACK BLDG - install CO detector in each apartment

## Means of Egress

Install emergency lights with battery backup in approved location to illuminate means of egress

1006.1

**Status:** RECOMMENDED

**Notes:** MAIN BLDG - all floors (recommend installing emergency lights on all floors to light up the egress pathways and stairwells)

BACK BLDG - MAIN BLDG - all floors (recommend installing emergency lights on all floors to light up the egress pathways and stairwell)

Other violation (Explain)

See notes

**Status:** RECOMMENDED

**Notes:** MAIN BLDG - currently the fire escape from the 3rd floor leads down on to the roof, which still requires a jump of over a story to reach the ground - recommend continuing the fire escape down to ground level

## Dry Cleaning

Other violation (Explain)

See notes

**Status:** OBSERVED

**Notes:** MAIN BLDG - basement (dryer from one of the 1st floor apartments vents openly into the basement - lint accumulation on the floor)

## Flammable Gases and Flammable Cryogenic Fluids

Other violation (Explain)

See notes

**Status:** FIRE CODE VIOLATION

**Notes:** BACK BLDG - 1st floor hot water heater room (there is a very strong smell of natural gas in this room - it could be that there is a leak somewhere in the natural gas piping or that the hot water heater is not vented properly causing the build-up of natural gas in the room - get this checked out by a mechanical contractor ASAP)

### Inspection Receipt Confirmation

Inspection report e-mailed to occupancy representative

Please send a separate email to haywoodcountyfiremarshal@gmail.com to confirm that you have received this email of your fire inspection report

**Status:** INFO

**Notes:**

### Fire Marshal Personnel Contact Information

Andrew C. Messer

Fire Marshal NC Fire Inspector III (828) 400-3229 anmesser@haywoodnc.net

**Status:** INFO

**Notes:**

Other Personnel

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**Notes:** CANTON FIRE DEPT

Fire Chief T Carver

CANTON POLICE DEPT

Cpl Reece

HAYWOOD CO BLDG INSPECTIONS

B Crawford

HAYWOOD CO ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

J Quinn

Category	Start Date / Time	End Date / Time
<b>Notes:</b> No Additional time recorded		

**Total Additional Time: 0 minutes**

**Inspection Time: 78 minutes**

**Total Time: 78 minutes**

**Overall Result: Failed**

**Inspector Notes:**

Please send an email to haywoodcountyfiremarshal@gmail.com to confirm that you received this inspection report. Thank you!

9/15/2020

Site Visit: 109 Park Street, Canton

RE: Complaint from tenant concerning bed bugs and roaches

Met with Tim Carver, Andrew Messer and Bruce Crawford. Canton police officer and tenant that had filed complaint were also present. Tim Carver requested that Haywood County Environmental Health be present to assist in identifying any insects found during the site visit.

Common areas of 109 Park Street were entered including hallways and stairways. Roaches were visible around baseboards, doorways and in spaces between steps and walls. Mature and immature roaches were visible in common areas. No bed bugs were visible in common areas.

Tenant allowed us entry into apartment located on lower level in south-west corner of building. Roaches were found in this apartment. With tenant's approval, REHS examined the sleeping area, which was a pull out sleeper sofa. A close examination of bedding, pillow, cushions and surrounding area did not reveal any bed bugs, eggs or signs of bed bugs.

Jonathan Quinn, REHS

DHHS, Environmental Health

157 Paragon Parkway

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**Haywood County Inspections Department**

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September 15, 2020

Thomas D. Parham  
12 Harrison St.  
Canton, NC 28716

**NOTICE OF VIOLATION**

**RE: 109 PARK ST  
CANTON, NC 28716  
PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER 8657-60-9348**

Dear Sir:

The following violations of North Carolina State Building Codes have been identified at the above referenced property.

**Unsafe electrical wiring conditions; e.g., open electrical splices, unsupported electrical wiring, open junction boxes, no cover on electrical panel, and no smoke detector in the apartment we were allowed to enter.**

**Plumbing Code violations; e.g., open waste line allowing sewer gas to escape, improper plumbing fittings, improper drain, waste and vent sizing, improper slope on drain/waste piping.**

You have fourteen (14) days from receipt of this notice to obtain the required permits and begin remediation of the violations above. All work shall be performed by contractors, licensed by North Carolina in the appropriate trades. The list shall not be construed to be all inclusive, as other unseen violations could be uncovered during remediation.

Please contact our office if you require further information.

Regards,

Bruce Crawford, CCEO  
Director of Inspections  
Haywood County, NC





TOWN OF CANTON  
CODE ENFORCEMENT  
WARNING/NOTICE OF  
VIOLATION

Town of Canton  
58 Bark Street  
Canton, NC 28716

Inspection date: 9/15/20

To: Tom D. Parham Date: 9/15/20 Time: 09:00  
Address: 10 Harrison St Violation Address: 105 Park St  
Canton NC 28716 Canton NC 28716

No fines or penalties are currently assessed: This is a **WARNING NOTICE OF VIOLATION** that you are in violation of one or more of the Chapters of the Code of Ordinances. Please correct the violation within the time frame stated below. Thank you for your cooperation.

- ☐ Garbage and Refuse Collection & Disposal: Part 4 Ch 2 Sec 4 – 2011-11
- ☐ Abandoned, Nuisance & Junk Motor Vehicles: Part 8 Ch 3 Sec 3 – 3001-15
- ☐ Tall Grass, Weeds &/or Vegetation: Part 8 Ch 4 Sec 8 – 4001-05
- ☐ Grass Cuttings on Public Streets: Part 8 Ch 4 Sec 8 – 4006
- ☐ Obstructions of sidewalks, streets, etc: Part 6 Ch 2 Art A Sec 6 – 2001-08
- ☒ Use & Cleanliness of Property (Residential & Commercial): Part 6 Ch 2 Art B Sec 6 – 2011-20
- ☐ Keeping of Animals & Running at Large Regulations: Part 8 Ch 2 Sec 8 – 2001-10
- ☒ "Other General Nuisances": Part 8 Ch 6 Sec 8 – 6001-17
- ☐ Improper Connection to Water System, Tampering w/ or Obstructing water lines, etc: Part 5 Ch 1 Art A Sec 5 – 1001-12
- ☐ Improper Connection to Sewer System, Tampering w/ or Obstructing water lines, etc: Part 5 Ch 1 Art A Sec 5 – 2001-07
- ☐ Commercial Property Maintenance Requirements: Section 9-1205
- ☐ Commercial Property Interior Maintenance Standards-Section 9—1206
- ☐ Registration Requirement for Vacant Properties- Section 9—1207
- ☒ Other: Fire inspections - Commons Areas / closets / basement - exterior

ACTION TO BE TAKEN:

Follow instructions - Haywood Co Building Inspections - Bruce Crawford  
Haywood County Fire Marshal - Andrew Messer  
DEHS / Environmental Health - Jonathan Quinn

You must resolve the above violation(s) within 14 days (By date 9/29/20) - from day of receipt.

Failure to do so within the specified time will result in an nuisance of a civil citation/fine in the amount of \$50.00 that day and each day thereafter that the violation remains. Each day of violation thereafter shall constitute a distinct and separate offense. Continued failure to correct violation and/or pay fines will result in one or more of the following:

1. Continued accrual off fines and/or abatement of the violation by the town of Canton (at the property owner's expense via debt setoff or the attachment of a lien against the property for amount owed.
2. A civil suit being filed for a corrective action decision and order to pay fines and/or correction and collection by other means as allowed by N.C.S.S. and/or local ordinance.
3. A lien being placed on the property.

Signature of Code Enforcement Officer of Designated Employee: Tim Carver, 646.3418