



CITY OF TUCKER ANNUAL LIFE SAFETY INSPECTION CHECKLIST

The City of Tucker transitioned Fire Marshal Services from DeKalb County in January 2024. As part of the transition, the City of Tucker Fire Marshal will begin conducting courtesy annual inspections of all existing businesses within the City. Annual inspections are required by code to ensure buildings are safe to occupy and that all required life safety systems are in working order. In preparation for the annual inspection, please review the following list and make sure your building and/or suite is in compliance.

- Emergency exit lights are installed. If illumination is required, the illumination is in working order.
- 10 lb. fire extinguisher(s) are located in the business and are tagged and serviced annually by a certified company.
- Smoke detectors are operational, and batteries are checked and/or replaced every 6 months.
- Fire sprinklers and alarm systems, if required, are operational and inspected annually by a certified company. In order to be in compliance, the fire sprinkler system should have a green tag with an inspection date within the past 12 months.
- Emergency exit doors and emergency access pathways are not blocked.
- Electrical boxes, hot water heater areas, etc. have a minimum of 36 inches of clear space, meaning these areas cannot be used for storage or have any items that block access to them.
- Circuit breakers are labeled to show what they control. There should be no exposed wires inside the breaker box.
- No extension cords are being used. Only UL listed power strips are permitted.
- The building address number is clearly visible from the street. This helps emergency responders be able to locate the business in the event of an emergency.

A list of violations will be provided at the annual inspection and time will be given to come into compliance. While this is a courtesy inspection, it is crucial to come into compliance to keep you, your employees and your customers safe. The initial round of courtesy inspections is anticipated to take several years to complete. Once the courtesy inspections are completed, the Fire Marshal will begin inspecting all businesses on an annual, biennial, and triennial basis.

The State Fire Marshal's Office maintains a list of professionals who are licensed to service fire extinguishers and fire sprinkler systems: <https://oci.georgia.gov/inspections-permits-plans/licensed-professionals-search>. Please note that the annual inspection by the City of Tucker Fire Marshal is separate from the annual inspection of the fire sprinkler system, fire alarm system, and fire extinguisher(s) which are completed by outside entities.