

TITLE 2: NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION 7: BUILDING AND ZONING CODES

§ 7331. Theaters.

(a) *Prohibition.* No manager or other person shall use, or assist in, or countenance the use of any theater, hall or other building for theatrical purposes, or for public entertainment of any kind where stage scenery and apparatus are employed, without a certificate in writing by the Commissioner of Fire and Emergency Medical Services to the effect that the provisions of all existing regulations for the prevention of fires have been complied with to the commissioner's satisfaction.

(b) *Fire Equipment.* Every manager or other person using any such building shall keep and maintain in good condition fire equipment within such building as the commissioner or the commissioner's designated representative, by regulation shall prescribe.

(c) *Freedom from Obstruction.* Every manager or other person using any such building shall at all times during performances or when such building is open to the public, keep every aisle, passageway, exit, entrance, and stairway open and clear of temporary seats or other obstructions and all doors and gates in or of every such aisle, passageway, exit, entrance and stairway, unlocked so that they will open freely, and no person shall stand or remain in any such aisle, passageway, exit, entrance, or stairway during performances, or while such building is open.

(d) *Admission of Fire Department.* Every manager or person using such building shall at all times freely admit fire personnel from the Department of Fire and Emergency Medical Services in every building used as a theater or place of public amusement whenever necessary in the discretion of the commissioner or the commissioner's designated representative for the purposes of assisting in case of fire or in enforcing the provisions of this code.

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