



DEPARTMENT OF PERMITTING SERVICES  
DIVISION OF FIRE PREVENTION AND CODE COMPLIANCE  
255 Rockville Pike, 2nd Floor, Rockville, MD 20850

Monday May 9, 2016

Inspection Type 916B  
Staff Hours 4.50

MAYRA PINTO  
FLOWER BRANCH APARTMENTS - OFFICE  
8628 PINEY BRANCH RD  
SILVER SPRING MD 20910

An inspection of your facility, on Wednesday March 23, 2016 revealed the violations listed below for the property located at

8628 PINEY BRANCH RD  
SILVER SPRING MD 20910

ORDER TO COMPLY: Since these conditions are contrary to law, you must correct them upon receipt of this notice.

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A FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY INSPECTION OF ENTIRE COMPLEX, WHICH INCLUDES.  
(8701-8711 ARLISS ST, 8851-8857 GARLAND AVE AND 8628-8674 PINEY BRANCH RD)

EXITS- OK  
EXTINGUISHERS- OK  
SYSTEMS INSPECTION- OK  
STORAGE- SEE BELOW  
UTILITY ACCESS- SEE BELOW  
LAUNDRY DOORS- SEE BELOW  
KNOX BOX- SEE BELOW

ALL DEFICIENT ITEMS MUST BE CORRECTED WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THIS INSPECTION

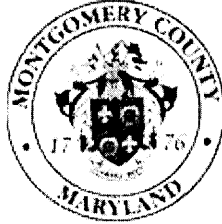
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NFPA 1 / UTILITY RM STORE Combustible Storage in Utility	10	19.5.1	0	0
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Combustible material shall not be stored in boiler rooms, mechanical rooms, or electrical equipment rooms.

1. REMOVE ALL GAS POWERED ITEMS OUT OF STORAGE ROOMS IN THE BUILDINGS. RECOMMEND THE PURCHASE OF AN EQUIPMENT SHED TO HOUSE ALL THOSE ITEMS AND THEIR FUEL CANS.

2. PAINT STORAGE ROOM NEED TO HAVE A VENT SYSTEM INSTALLED TO PREVENT THE HIGH



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CONCENTRATION OF FUME BUILDUP.

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MCFSC CH 22.92 Access to Utilities 0 0

In other than individual dwelling units no person shall place, keep or store any material on or before any gas or electric meter or any shut-off for gas service, electrical service or water service the presence of which would interfere with the ability of the fire department to shut off the utility.

YOU MUST MAINTAIN A CLEAR 3 FOOT SURROUNDING AREA AROUND ALL UTILITIES.

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NFPA 1 / DOOR CLOSING Self Closing Device 12 4.6.9.2 0 0

Fire door assemblies shall be visually inspected from both sides to assess the overall condition of the door assembly. As a minimum, the following items shall be verified: The self-closing device is operational, that is, the active door completely closes when operated from the full open position.

YOU MUST REMOVE ANY AND ALL DEVICES THAT PREVENT THE LAUNDRY ROOM DOORS FROM CLOSING AND LATCHING PROPERLY. LAUNDRY ROOMS ARE A HIGH FIRE RISK.

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NFPA 1 / KNOX BOX Add or Correct Knox Box Keys in Box 18 2.2.3 0 0

The owner or occupant of a structure or area, with required fire department access as specified in 18.2.2.1 or 18.2.2.2, shall notify the AHJ when the access is modified in a manner that could prevent fire department access.

KEYS ARE MISSING FOR THE KNOX BOX LOCATED @ BUILDING 8656 PINEY BRANCH RD. THIS IS A LARGE GAP IN ACCESS COVERAGE.

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**Thorn, Maynard**  
**Inspector**

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**MAYRA PINTO**  
**Responsible Party**

The owner/occupant in receipt of this NOV may request a time extension to correct the noted code violations beyond the timeframe specified in this NOV. An extension request is made by contacting the issuing inspector and providing specific information as to the nature of the request. The inspector may grant the request upon gaining the approval of a Fire Code Enforcement supervisor.