

FRIDLEY CITY CODE
CHAPTER 116. PUBLIC SANITATION FACILITIES
(Ref. 828)

116.01. DEFINITIONS

The following definitions shall apply in the interpretation and application of this Chapter and the following words and terms, wherever they occur in this Chapter, are defined as follows:

1. Dwelling Unit.

One or more habitable rooms which are occupied, or which are intended or designed to be occupied, by one family with facilities for living, sleeping, cooking and eating.

2. Public Sanitation Facilities.

Steam baths, heat bathing rooms, suntanning rooms, rest rooms, portable rest rooms, bathing rooms and exercise rooms located in clubs, gasoline stations, schools, hotels and motels, apartment buildings, commercial and industrial buildings, and any other facilities not located within or constructed to accommodate one dwelling unit.

3. Public Steam Bath.

Any public sanitation facility used for the purpose of bathing, reducing, or relaxing, utilizing steam as a cleaning, reducing or relaxing agent.

4. Public Heat Bathing Room.

Any public sanitation facility used for the purpose of bathing, reducing or relaxing, utilizing hot air as a cleaning, reducing or relaxing agent.

5. Public Rest Room.

A public sanitation facility equipped with a minimum of a flush water closet.

6. Public Bathing Room.

A public sanitation facility designed and used for cleansing the human body.

7. Public Exercise Room.

A public sanitation facility designed and used for the purpose of exercising.

8. Public Portable Rest Room.

A public sanitation facility designed to be easily portable and equipped with a minimum of a riser and seat with a collecting device

116.02. LICENSE REQUIRED

1. No person shall Own, operate, maintain, lease or be responsible for any public steam bath, public heat bathing room or public suntanning room unless a license shall have been obtained from the City, pursuant to this Chapter. Also, no person shall own, operate, maintain, lease or rent to any other person, or in any way provide or service a public portable rest room within the City of Fridley unless a license shall have been obtained from the City, pursuant to this Chapter.

2. Any "sauna" as defined by Section 125.02 of this Code and which meets all of the following requirements:

A. Is licensed under this Chapter; and

B. Is constructed adjacent to and is operated in conjunction with a swimming pool having a minimum surface area of 750 square feet and which pool is licensed under Section 115.03 of this Code; and

C. There is not a separate charge imposed for the use of this "sauna";

shall be exempt from the requirements of Chapter 125 of this Code.

116.03. FEE

The annual license fee and expiration date shall be as provided in Chapter 11 of this Code.

116.04. EXEMPTIONS

Persons owning, operating or maintaining schools, governmental subdivisions, houses of worship, convents, rectories, parsonages, or religious community centers shall be required to obtain a license, but without payment of a license fee.

116.05. APPLICATION

The application for a public steam bath, public heat bathing room, public suntanning room, and public portable rest room license shall be made on forms furnished by the City and shall set forth such information as the City shall require. Such application for the issuance of such licenses, their maintenance, termination and administration shall be in accordance with and subject to all conditions of Chapter 11 of this Code, and the requirements of this Chapter. The application may be denied upon failure to meet any of these requirements.

116.06. REVOCATION

A violation of any provisions of this Chapter constitutes grounds for revocation of the license.

116.07. CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS

1. Generally.

A. All public steam baths, public heat bathing rooms, public suntanning rooms, public rest rooms and public bathing rooms shall be constructed of materials including ceramic tile, quartz tile, smooth finished concrete block or other similar materials which are durable and impervious to moisture, bacteria, mold or fungus growth. The floor to wall and wall to wall joints shall be constructed to provide a sanitary cove. All other equipment and appurtenances shall be of sanitary design and construction which will permit easy and thorough cleaning.

B. Mechanical ventilation and lighting which will meet the requirements of Chapter 206 of this Code shall be provided in all public facilities except as provided in Section 116.07.4 for portable public rest rooms.

2. Public Suntanning Rooms.

Timing devices or other safety devices shall be required in public suntanning rooms. Warning signs and instructions shall be provided in public suntanning rooms.

3. Public Rest Rooms.

Public rest rooms shall be identified as such on or above the door. A hand washing sink equipped with hot and cold running water under pressure and a sanitary towel dispenser or hand-drying device shall be provided in all public rest rooms. The doors of all public rest rooms shall be self-closing.

4. Public Portable Rest Rooms.

Public portable rest rooms shall be identified as such on or above the door. All portable rest rooms shall be designed and constructed with materials which are durable under conditions of normal use, resistant to moisture and easily cleanable. The waste collection device and appurtenances shall be of watertight construction and shall be designed and constructed to withstand the treatment process and repeated use and cleaning. The treatment process shall effectively eliminate all noxious, offensive and annoying odors. A minimum of natural ventilation and lighting shall be provided. All openings and vents to the outer air shall be screened. Doors shall be self-closing.

116.08. MAINTENANCE

1. Generally.

In all public facilities, the floors, walls, ceilings water closets, hand washing sinks, urinals, and all other equipment and appurtenances shall be maintained in a clean condition at all times.

2. Public Rest Rooms.

Public rest rooms shall have hand-cleaning agents, sanitary towels or an operable hand-drying device and toilet tissue at all times. Refuse receptacles, which are easily cleanable, shall be provided and emptied and cleaned as necessary. The doors shall be self-closing. Hot and cold running water under pressure must be provided at all times.

3. Public Portable Rest Rooms.

Public portable rest rooms shall be maintained in good repair and shall be cleaned as necessary and in a manner which will eliminate spillage, leakage, and noxious, offensive, and annoying odors. Doors shall be self-closing.

116.09. PORTABLE REST ROOMS REQUIRED

The Health Authority may require public portable rest rooms, when it deems necessary; including, but not limited to, public gatherings, construction sites, recreational areas, fairs, and carnivals. The considerations to be used by the Health Authority in determining the necessity of public portable rest rooms shall include the type of activity or gathering, the number of persons attending, the duration of the event, and the availability of other public rest rooms.

116.10. APPROVAL

No person shall construct, enlarge, repair, move, convert or alter any public sanitation facility without first obtaining appropriate permits from the Building Inspector. No permits for such work shall be issued unless prior approval of the Health Authority has been obtained.

116.11. INSPECTION

The Health Authority shall inspect all public facilities as often as deemed necessary to enforce the provisions of this Chapter.

116.12. TEMPORARY CLOSING

The Health Authority may temporarily close a public sanitation facility if a serious public health hazard exists. A sign shall be posted on any such public facility which is temporarily closed indicating its closure. Such sign may be removed only upon authorization of the Health Authority.

116. 13. PENALTIES

Any violation of this Chapter is a misdemeanor and is subject to all penalties provided for such violation under the provisions of Chapter 901 of this Code. Each day that a violation occurs or continues shall be deemed a separate offense.