



Ohio Revised Code

Section 3737.42 Issuing citation or notice of violation.

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(A) As used in this section, "authority having jurisdiction" and "school governing authority" have the same meanings as in section 3737.07 of the Revised Code.

(B) If, upon inspection or investigation, the fire marshal, an assistant fire marshal, or a certified fire safety inspector believes that the state fire code or an associated order has been violated, or if an authority having jurisdiction believes that section 3737.07 of the Revised Code has been violated and that the school governing authority is not actively taking steps to achieve compliance within the time prescribed by division (H)(1) of that section, the fire marshal, assistant fire marshal, certified fire safety inspector, or authority having jurisdiction shall, with reasonable promptness, issue a citation to the responsible person. Each citation shall be in writing and shall describe with particularity the nature of the violation, including a reference to the provision of the state fire code or associated order alleged to have been violated. In addition, the citation shall fix a reasonable time for the abatement of the violation. When the citation is issued by a certified fire safety inspector, an assistant fire marshal, or an authority having jurisdiction other than the fire marshal, a copy of the citation shall be furnished to the fire marshal.

(C) The fire marshal may prescribe procedures for the issuance of a notice in lieu of a citation with respect to de minimis violations that have no direct or immediate relationship to safety or health. A notice in lieu of a citation shall not be issued with respect to a violation of section 3737.07 of the Revised Code.

(D) Except as provided in section 3737.07 of the Revised Code, each citation issued under this section, or a copy or copies of the citation, shall be prominently posted by the responsible person, as prescribed in the state fire code, at or near each place a violation referred to in the citation occurs.
