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Subject Standards and Verification Procedures for Extermination Programs Required by the Housing and Building Maintenance Code.	Code and Section Reference Housing and Building Maintenance Code Section 22.206.160 A.3 SMC Seattle Municipal Code	
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PURPOSE

Section 22.206.160.A.3 of the Seattle Housing and Building Maintenance Code states in part, "It shall be the duty of all owners ... to exterminate insects, rodents, and other pests which are a menace to public health, safety or welfare. Compliance with the Director's Rule governing the extermination of pests shall be deemed compliance with this subsection 3." The purpose of this Rule is to establish those extermination standards and verification procedures.

RULE

A. Definitions

1. "Certified Exterminator" means a person who has passed the City of Seattle's Master Exterminator exam and has a current Seattle-King County Health Department extermination permit.

2. "Certified Fumigator" means a person who has passed the City of Seattle's Certified Fumigator exam and has a current Seattle King County Health Department fumigation permit.

3. "Director" means the Director of the Department of Construction and Land Use or his/her designee.

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B. Extermination Program

Should the Director determine that a property is infested with insects, rodents, or other pests, the property owner shall immediately undertake an extermination program directed by a certified exterminator or certified fumigator. Upon completion of the program, the certified exterminator or certified fumigator shall certify that the infestation is eradicated. If after completing the program, the certified exterminator or certified fumigator cannot certify that the infestation is eradicated, he/she shall continue regular treatments as needed until the infestation is eradicated.

Property owners who are able to produce certification that their property is no longer infested, or verify that their property has undergone a proper extermination program and is being further treated on a regular basis, shall be considered to have fulfilled their duties under Section 22.206.160.A.3 of the Seattle Housing and Building Maintenance Code.

C. Certification

Certification shall include a statement that the infestation has been eradicated, name of the property owner, address of the property, date(s) of treatment, type of infestation and treatment, areas of the property that were treated, and the signature of the certified exterminator or certified fumigator.

D. Verification

Verification of the extermination program and ongoing treatments may consist of copies of invoices issued by the certified exterminator or certified fumigator who undertook the work. Information provided on the invoice shall include: name of the property owner, address of the property, date(s) of treatment, type of infestation and treatment, areas of the property that were treated, and the signature of the certified exterminator or certified fumigator.

E. Work Practices

Extermination programs and ongoing treatments shall be conducted in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 10.54 of the Seattle Municipal Code, Fumigators and Exterminators. Any individual discovered to be providing pest control services in the City of Seattle without current certification, or without the supervision of a Certified Fumigator or a Certified Exterminator, will be referred to the Seattle-King County Department of Public Health for enforcement.

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