

Maine Department of Public Safety State Fire Marshal's Office 52 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333-0052



Michael Sauschuck Commissioner Chief Joseph Thomas

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Statement of Deficiencies and Plan of Corrections

Facility Name: Bowdoinham Recycling Barn	Owner Name:
Location: 243 Post Rd	Address:
Bowdoinham, ME 04008	
Facility Type: Industrial Occupancy/Apartment	
Telephone: 207-	Date:
Resource ID: File:	
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- This facility was inspected as a General Industrial Occupancy per NFPA 101, 2018 Edition.
- Exit doors shall be free of obstructions, including unapproved step-ups creating a tripping hazard per NFPA 101, Chapter 7, Section 7.2.2.3.3.2.
 - a. 1st floor Exit doors
 - b. 2nd Floor Storage area stairs to the 3rd Floor
- Exit doors shall swing in the direction of travel. All Exit doors currently swing inward.
- 3) Exit stairwell stairs shall meet the dimensional criteria requirements of Table 7.2.2.2.1(b) in NFPA 101, Chapter 7.
- 4) Exit stairwells shall be equipped with graspable handrails per NFPA 101, Chapter 7, Sections 7.2.2.4.1 & 7.2.2.5.5.3.

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- 5) Exit stairwell guardrails shall be equipped with balusters spaced less than 4" apart per NFPA 101, Chapter 7, Section 7.2.2.4.6.
- 6) Exit stairwells shall be enclosed and protected from the remainder of the facility with 1 hour fire barrier per NFPA 101, Chapter 7, Section 7.2.2.5.
- 7) Two exits are required from each story per NFPA 101, Chapter 40, Section 40.2.4.1 unless it can be determined that the common path of travel from all occupiable spaces is a maximum of 50ft.
- 8) Interior finish shall meet or exceed Class C. Unfinished exterior walls have plastic enclosing areas throughout then building on all 3 levels. NFPA 101, Chapter 40, Section 40.3.3.1 * Chapter 10, Section 10.2.

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- 9) Headroom throughout the facility shall be maintained at 6'8". NFPA 101, Chapter 40, Section 40.2.2.3, Chapter 7/7.1.5
 - a. The second floor has cross beams that measure 6'2"
 - b. Multiple corridor heights throughout the second floor are 6'10 ½"
- 10) Suspended heater is accessible by the occupants on the 2nd floor. This unit becomes hot to touch when in use. Maintain 3 ft of clearance with secured noncombustible separation mounted to the floor or the wall. NFPA 101, Chapter 40, Section 40.5.2; Chapter 9, Section 9.2.1 & NFPA 90B, 2018 Edition
- 11) The building lacks compliant emergency lighting. All areas shall be equipped with emergency lighting per NFPA 101, Chapter 40, 40.2.9 & Chapter 7, Section 7.9.

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- 12) An apartment was constructed on the 3rd floor of this industrial occupancy without obtaining an approved construction permit from the State Fire Marshal's Office. NFPA 101, Chapter 40.1.1.6 & NFPA 241, 2013 Edition.
- 13) 3rd Floor apartment could not be confirmed to be separated from the industrial occupancy by 2-hour fire-rated construction. The interior of the apartment was not accessed during inspection. NFPA 101, Chapter 6, Section 6.1.14.4.1 and Table 6.1.14.4.1(a).
- 14) 3rd Floor apartment is not equipped with a 1-hour fire-rated exit stairwell that leads directly to ground level discharge. NFPA 101, Chapter 40, Section 40.3.1 & Chapter 8, 8.6.
- 15) Emergency lights on the 3rd Floor did not illuminate when the test button was pressed. NFPA 101, Chapter 40, 40.2.9 & Chapter 7, Section 7.9.

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- 16) 2nd Floor exit door to the 3rd Floor apartment exit stairwell does not meet 1-hour fire-rating. The door lacks required rated hinges, rated handle hardware, baseplate, rated door frame and self-closing positive-latching hardware. NFPA 101, Chapter 40, Section 40.3.1 & Chapter 8, 8.6
- 17) 3rd Floor exit stairwell headroom shall be maintained at and is currently measured at 6'2 ½". Table 7.2.2.2.1(b) in NFPA 101, Chapter 7.
- 18) 3rd Floor apartment shall be equipped with interconnected smoke detection tied in to the current fire alarm system. NFPA 101, Chapter 40, Section 40.3.4.1.
- 19) Staff informed us that the 2nd Floor Storage area front exit stairwell door does not open freely in the winter as it bends with the cold weather. NFPA 101, Chapter 7, Section 7.2.1.4.1

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- 20) Additional illuminated exit signage shall be installed in the center of the 2nd Floor Storage area by the rear exit stairs. The exit route is not obvious. NFPA 101, Chapter 40, 40.2.10 & Chapter 7, 7.10.
- 21) 2nd Floor Storage area is currently used for storing combustibles to fuel the wood burning furnace.
- 22) 3rd Floor Landlord Storage is currently used to store large amounts of vehicle tires and toilets. Engineering judgment required to assess the floor load.
- 23) 3rd Floor Landlord Storage exit door does not meet 1-hour fire-rating. The door lacks required rated hinges, rated handle hardware, rated door frame, self-closing positive-latching hardware. NFPA 101, Chapter 40, Section 40.3.1 & Chapter 8, 8.6
- 24) 3rd Floor Landlord Storage exit door does not open freely as it gets stuck on the floor. NFPA 101, Chapter 7, Section

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- 25) 1st Floor compacting side of the facility has an exit that leads through hazardous waste. NFPA 101, Chapter 7
- 26) Corridor door to the boiler does not meet 1-hour fire-rating. The door lacks required rated hinges, rated handle hardware, rated door frame and self-closing positive-latching hardware. NFPA 101, Chapter 7, Section 7.2.1.4.1
- 27) Exposed wiring was found throughout the entire building. All wiring shall be capped and confined to covered junction boxes.
- 28) Provide annual fire alarm system inspection report.
- 29) Fall protection shall be provided for all heights above 30". Plastic has been installed as the exterior of a large portion of the exit stairwell walls. NFPA 101, Chapter 7, Section 7.2.2.5.2.2

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