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DIVISION 13. HOUSING [17000 - 19997] (Division 13 enacted by Stats. 1939, Ch. 60.) PART 2.1. MOBILEHOME PARKS ACT [18200 - 18712] (Part 2.1 added by Stats. 1967, Ch. 1056.)

CHAPTER 3.5. Notice of Violations [18420 - 18424] (Heading of Chapter 3.5 amended by Stats. 1991, Ch. 1072, Sec. 2.)

- 18420. (a) (1) If, upon inspection, the enforcement agency determines that a mobilehome park is in violation of any provision of this part, or any rule or regulation adopted pursuant thereto, the enforcement agency shall promptly, but not later than 10 days, excluding Saturday, Sunday, and holidays, after the enforcement agency completes the inspection and determines that the alleged violation exists, issue a notice to correct the violation to the owner or operator of the mobilehome park and to the responsible person, as defined in Section 18603.
 - (2) In the event of a violation that constitutes an imminent threat to health and safety, the notice of violation shall be issued immediately and served on the owner or operator of the mobilehome park and to the responsible person, as defined in Section 18603.
 - (3) The owner or operator of the mobilehome park shall be responsible for the correction of any violations for which a notice of violation has been given pursuant to this subdivision.
- (b) (1) If, upon inspection, the enforcement agency determines that a manufactured home, mobilehome, an accessory building or structure, or lot is in violation of any provision of Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 18500), Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 18550), Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 18690), or any rule or regulation adopted pursuant thereto, the enforcement agency shall promptly, but not later than 10 days, excluding Saturday, Sunday, and holidays, after the enforcement agency completes the inspection and determines that the alleged violation exists, issue a notice to correct the violation to the registered owner of the manufactured home or mobilehome, with a copy to the occupant thereof, if different from the registered owner.
 - (2) In the event a violation is discovered that constitutes an imminent hazard representing an immediate risk to life, health, and safety and requiring immediate correction, the notice of violation shall be issued immediately and served upon the occupant, with a copy mailed to the registered owner of the manufactured home or mobilehome, if different from the occupant, to the owner or operator of the mobilehome park, and to the responsible person, as defined in Section 18603.
 - (3) The registered owner of the manufactured home or mobilehome shall be responsible for the correction of any violations for which a notice of violation has been given pursuant to this subdivision.
 - (4) The enforcement agency may issue a notice of violation in accordance with this chapter to the owner of a recreational vehicle, or of factory-built housing, which occupies a lot within a mobilehome park.
- (c) (1) Service of the notice of violation shall be effected either personally or by first-class mail. Each notice of violation shall be in writing and shall describe with particularity the nature of the violation in as clear language as the technicality of the violation will allow the average layperson to understand what is being cited, including a reference to the statutory provisions or regulation alleged to have been violated, as well as any penalty provided by law for failure to make timely correction.
 - (2) The department shall develop a list of local agencies that have home rehabilitation or repair programs for which registered owners or occupants of manufactured homes and mobilehomes residing in mobilehome parks may be eligible, including local recipients of loans from the Manufactured Housing Opportunity and Revitalization (MORE) Program (Chapter 11 (commencing with Section 50780) of Part 2 of Division 31). The list shall be provided to registered owners or occupants who receive a notice of violation and who reside in those jurisdictions that have rehabilitation or repair programs for which they may be eligible.
 - (3) For violations other than imminent threats to health and safety as provided in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) and paragraph
 - (2) of subdivision (b), the notice of violation shall allow 60 days from the postmarked date of the notice or date of personal delivery

for the elimination of the condition constituting the alleged violation.

- (4) If, after the reinspection of a violation described in paragraph (3), the enforcement agency determines that there is a valid reason why a violation has not been corrected, including, but not limited to, weather conditions, illness, availability of repair persons, or availability of financial resources, the enforcement agency may extend the time for correction, at its discretion, for 30 days or an additional reasonable period of time after the 60-day period.
- (5) Upon a reinspection after the 60-day period of a violation described in paragraph (3) of this subdivision, if a second notice to correct a violation that is the responsibility of the registered owner of the manufactured home or mobilehome pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) is issued to the registered owner of a manufactured home or mobilehome, with a copy to the occupant thereof, if different from the registered owner, a copy of the notice shall also be provided to the owner or operator of the mobilehome park, and to the responsible person, as defined in Section 18603. Upon a reinspection after the 60-day period of a violation described in paragraph (3) of this subdivision, if a second notice to correct a mobilehome park violation pursuant to paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) is issued to the owner or operator of the mobilehome park and to the responsible person, as defined in Section 18603, the enforcement agency shall post a copy of the violation in a conspicuous place in the mobilehome park common area, and the posted notice shall only be removed by the enforcement agency when the violation is corrected.
- (6) All violations described in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) and paragraph (2) of subdivision (b) shall be corrected within a reasonable time as determined by the enforcement agency. Notices of those violations shall state the time determined by the enforcement agency within which corrections must be made.
- (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the enforcement agency may, at its sole discretion, determine not to issue a notice of violation pursuant to this chapter if the condition which violates this part or the regulations adopted pursuant thereto does not constitute an imminent hazard representing an immediate risk to life, health, and safety and requiring immediate correction. If the enforcement agency determines, pursuant to this subdivision, not to issue a notice of violation, the enforcement agency shall include in its inspection report a description of the condition which violates this part and its determination not to issue a notice of violation.

(Amended by Stats. 2024, Ch. 387, Sec. 2. (AB 2247) Effective January 1, 2025. Repealed as of January 1, 2030, pursuant to Section 18424.)

18421. If the owner or operator of the mobilehome park or the registered owner of the manufactured home or mobilehome disputes a determination by the enforcement agency regarding the alleged violation, the alleged failure to correct the violation in the required timeframe, or the reasonableness of the deadline for correction specified by the notice of violation, the owner or operator of the mobilehome park or the registered owner of the manufactured home or mobilehome may request an informal conference with the enforcement agency. The informal conference, and any subsequent hearings or appeals of the decision of the enforcement agency, shall be conducted in accordance with procedures prescribed by the department.

(Amended by Stats. 1993, Ch. 589, Sec. 97. Effective January 1, 1994. Repealed as of January 1, 2030, pursuant to Section 18424.)

18423. The remedies provided by this chapter are cumulative, and shall not be construed to supersede other provisions of law providing sanctions for violators of this part, including, but not limited to, Sections 18510 and 18700. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to restrict any remedy, provisional or otherwise, provided by law for the benefit of any party, and no judgment under this chapter shall preclude any party from obtaining additional relief based upon the same facts.

(Added by Stats. 1990, Ch. 1175, Sec. 2. Repealed as of January 1, 2030, pursuant to Section 18424.)

18424. This chapter shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2030, and as of that date is repealed.

(Amended by Stats. 2024, Ch. 387, Sec. 3. (AB 2247) Effective January 1, 2025. Repealed as of January 1, 2030, by its own provisions. Repeal affects Chapter 3.5, commencing with Section 18420.)