

## **6602      REGISTRATION PROCEDURES**

6602.1    At the time of application for the initial registration or renewal of registration of a vacant building, the owner shall arrange with the Director for the inspection of the building.

6602.2    The Director shall inspect the building after receiving an application for the initial registration or renewal of registration of a vacant building.

6602.3    The Director shall approve the initial registration or the renewal registration for one year only if the following applies:

- (a)        The building has been maintained in accordance with the requirements of chapter 68 of this subtitle; and
- (b)        The vacancy of the building will not:
  - (1)        Be detrimental to the public health, safety, and welfare;
  - (2)        Unreasonably interfere with the reasonably lawful use and enjoyment of the other premises within the neighborhood; and
  - (3)        Pose a hazard to police officers or firefighters entering the building in an emergency.

6602.4    Notwithstanding § 6602.3, the Director shall approve the initial registration or the renewal registration for one year only if all of the following conditions are met:

- (a)        The building complies with the fire, building, and housing codes of the District of Columbia;
- (b)        The continuance of any maintenance work or condition of occupancy is not dangerous to life or property;
- (c)        No false statements or misrepresentations have been made upon the registration application;
- (d)        The building complies with any applicable occupancy requirements;
- (e)        An adequate water supply or facilities for firefighting purposes is furnished as required in the fire code; and
- (f)        The Director is permitted to inspect the building before initial registration, during the registration period, and before a renewal of registration.

6602.5 If the owner of a vacant building fails to comply with the provisions of § 6601 - 6602.4 of this chapter both initially and throughout the registration period, the Director may deny or revoke the owner's registration.

6602.6 The Director may subject the owner to the penalties provided in § 6606 for noncompliance with the applicable provisions of this chapter.

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