

**TOWN OF CORTLAND
DEKALB COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**TOWN OF CORTLAND
ORDINANCE NO. 2026-XX**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 8, "BUILDING REGULATIONS," CHAPTER 1,
"BUILDING CODES," SECTION 8-1-11 "NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE" OF THE
CORTLAND TOWN CODE**

**ADOPTED BY THE
MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE TOWN OF CORTLAND**

This ____ day of _____, 2026

Effective date: _____, 2026

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WHEREAS, the Town of Cortland, Illinois has previously adopted the National Electrical Code, 2023 edition, (“NEC”) as and for its electrical code; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Cortland, in Section 8-1-11 of the Town Code, identifies certain revisions to the provisions of the NEC; and

WHEREAS, the corporate authorities deem it in the best interests of the health, safety, and welfare of the Town to modify the language of the specific revision to Subsection 210.12(B) as reflected herein.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CORPORATE AUTHORITIES OF THE TOWN OF CORTLAND, DEKALB COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That Title 8, “Building Regulation,” Chapter 1, “Building Codes,” Section 8-1-11. “National Electrical Code,” shall be amended by deleting the Section in its entirety and replacing it with the following: [highlighting signifying the modified language in this ordinance]

8-1-11. - National Electrical Code.

The following sections of the National Electrical Code, 2023 Edition are hereby revised as follows:

In all Chapters and Sections, where "name of jurisdiction" and/or "chief appointing authority of the jurisdiction" is written, insert "Town of Cortland."

Listing, Labeling. Previous amendment shall be deleted.

210.8(A) Shall be amended to add the following Exception No. 5:

Exception No 5: Sump Pumps/Ejector Pumps. All sump pumps and ejector pumps shall be served by a simplex receptacle and no GFCI protection is required.

210.11 (C)(3) Bathroom Branch Circuits. Shall be amended to add the following clarification:

The 20 A GFCI circuit required in bathrooms shall serve a single bathroom.

210.12 (B) Dwelling Units. Shall be amended to add the following Exception No. 3:

Exception No. 3: Arc-fault circuit-interrupter protection shall not be required for branch circuits supplying kitchen countertop receptacles, fastened-in-place kitchen appliances, main kitchen refrigerators, washers, dryers, sump pumps, ejector pumps, furnaces, or freezers.

Where a branch circuit experiences documented nuisance tripping, after reasonable efforts to correct the condition have been attempted without success, and the installation is otherwise code-compliant, the Building Department may approve the removal of AFCI protection for that specific branch circuit.

210.19(C) Household Ranges and Cooking Appliances. Shall be amended to add the following new (1):

(1) All microwaves shall be served by a 20A dedicated circuit.

210.52(C)(2) Island and Peninsular Countertops and Work Surfaces. Shall be amended to add the following exception:

Exception: Island receptacles shall be permitted to be mounted not more than 8" below the countertop and not covered by more than 6" of overhang.

250.53(A)(2) Supplemental Electrode Required. Shall be amended to delete the Exception. A second ground rod shall be required.

ADD 300.1 Mixed use and occupancy buildings. Shall be amended to add the following new (D):

(D) The entire mixed use and occupancy building shall be wired by the most restrictive code.

314.27(A)(2) Ceiling Outlets. Shall be amended to add the following:

In all habitable rooms with a ceiling fixture (other than recessed fixtures, smoke detectors or carbon monoxide detectors), a box rated for ceiling fan support shall be installed.

320 Armored Cable: Type AC. Shall be deleted in its entirety.

334.10 Uses permitted. Shall be deleted and amended to add the following:

Type NM and Type NMC cables shall be permitted only in R-2, R-3, and R-4 structures (as defined by the International Building Code) not exceeding three floors above grade.

338 Service-Entrance Cable; Type SE and USE. Shall be deleted and amended to add the following:

Type SE cables shall only be permitted to be used in temporary wiring in accordance with NEC Article 590.

Section 2. Severability and Repeal of Inconsistent Ordinances. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any of the other provisions of this Ordinance. All Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its passage and publication as provided by law.

PASSED BY THIS BOARD OF TRUSTEES of the Town of Cortland, Illinois, at a regular meeting thereof held on the _____ day of _____, 2026, and approved by me as Mayor on the same day.

AYE:

NAY:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Mark Pietrowski, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cheryl Aldis, Town Clerk

CERTIFICATE

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS.
COUNTY OF DEKALB)

I, Cheryl Aldis, certify that I am the duly appointed and acting Town Clerk of the Town of Cortland, DeKalb County, Illinois.

I further certify that on _____, 2026, the Corporate Authorities of such municipality passed and approved Ordinance No. 2026-___ entitled **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 8, “BUILDING REGULATIONS,” CHAPTER 1, “BUILDING CODES,” SECTION 8-1-11 “NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE” OF THE CORTLAND TOWN CODE** which provided by its terms that it should be published in pamphlet form.

The pamphlet form of Ordinance No. 2026-___ including the Ordinance and a cover sheet thereof prepared, and a copy of such Ordinance was posted in the Town Hall, commencing on _____. Copies of such Ordinance were also available for public inspection upon request in the office of the Town Clerk.

Dated at Cortland, Illinois, this ____ day of _____, 2026.

(SEAL)

Cheryl Aldis, Town Clerk