## 2009 Changes of the International Building Code Compared to the National Fire Protection Association- 101

For the Florida Building Commission And the Fire Code Advisory Council



## Introduction

The scope of this project is to review the 2009 changes to the IBC and compare them to the 2009 edition of the NFPA – 101 and to review the 2009 changes to the NFPA -101 and compare them to the 2009 IBC to determine if any conflicts exist due to the changes in either of the codes. There were a series of discussions with the Department of Community Affairs regarding what constitutes a conflict for the purposes of this study. Staff directed that a conflict is defined as a construction specification such as a dimension in one code that would prevent compliance with the other code.

Initially three matrixes were created from the changes provided by the Department of Community Affairs. The matrixes created were: 1) 2009 changes to the International Building Code, 2) 2009 changes to NFPA 101 and 3) 2009 changes to the Referenced Standards of the NFPA 101. In determining potential conflicts, staff directed us to screen each code change from the matrix to determine if the change was one that had the potential of providing a conflict as it is defined for this project. When a code change had the potential of a conflict, the corresponding code section from either the IBC or NFPA 101 was added to the matrix as well as the corresponding Florida specific code change (if one applied). These code changes were reviewed to determine if a conflict existed and the result of this review and possible recommendations or comments are provided in the matrix column titled "Recommendation".

The Referenced Standards review was conducted differently than the code change matrixes. The 2009 IBC underwent substantial changes and in some cases significant changes to Referenced Standards, most of which have little use or a corresponding standard in the NFPA 101. Therefore, each Referenced Standard in NFPA 101 was compared to any corresponding Referenced Standard in the IBC. When there were differences, the newest Referenced Standards tended to be in the 2009 IBC.

For the committee's review, the three matrixes related to the review of the 2009 IBC changes and the 2009 NFPA changes are provided with any relevant comments shown in the recommendation column. There were differences in the codes, but there were no indentified conflicts based on the definition of a conflict by the Department.

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documents consisting of construction documents, statement of special inspections, geotechnical report and other data shall be submitted in two or more sets with each permit application. The construction documents shall be prepared by a registered design professional where required by the statutes of the jurisdiction in which the project is to be constructed. Where special conditions exist, the building official is authorized to require additional construction documents to be prepared by a registered design professional.	Numbers of sets of documents submitted at application increased to at least 2 (for consistency across the codes.)	NA NA	Construction documents, special inspection and structural observation programs, and other data shall be submitted in one or more sets with each application for a permit. The construction documents shall be prepared by a design registered design professional where required by the Chapter 471, Florida Statutes or Chapter 481, Florida Statutes. Where special conditions exist, the building official is authorized to require additional construction documents to be prepared by a registered design professional.  Exception: The building official is authorized to waive the submission of construction documents and other data not required to be prepared by a registered design professional if it is found that the nature of the work applied for is such that review of construction documents is not necessary to obtain compliance with this code.	NA NA
Chapter 2 Definitions HIGH-RISE BUILDING. A building with an occupied floor	High-rise defined. Primary Structural Members Secondary Members – these 2 definitions		NA	NA

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located more than 75 feet (22	should end debate on what			
860 mm) above the lowest level	these are and pulls the			
of fire department vehicle	information from being lost in			
access.	the footnotes of Table 601.			
PRIMARY STRUCTURAL				
<b>FRAME.</b> The primary structural				
frame shall include all of the				
following structural members:				
1. The columns;				
2. Structural members having				
direct connections to the				
columns, including girders,				
beams, trusses and spandrels;				
3. Members of the floor				
construction and roof				
construction				
having direct connections to the				
columns; and				
4. Bracing members that are				
essential to the vertical stability				
of the primary structural frame				
under gravity loading shall be				
considered part of the primary				
structural frame whether or not				
the bracing member carries				
gravity loads.				
OF CONDARY MEMBERS T				
SECONDARY MEMBERS. The				
following structural members				
shall be considered secondary				
members and not part of the				
primary structural frame:				
1. Structural members not				
having direct connections to the				

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columns; 2. Members of the floor construction not having direct connections to the columns; and 3. Bracing members other than those that are part of the primary structural frame.				
304.1 Business Group B. Business Group B occupancy includes, among others, the use of a building or structure, or a portion thereof, for office, professional or service-type transactions, including storage of records and accounts. Business occupancies shall include, but not be limited to, the following: Airport traffic control towers Ambulatory health care facilities Animal hospitals, kennels and pounds	Ambulatory Health Care Facilities added to B uses -and differentiated from Out-patient clinics. AHCF's are often called day surgery centers. New set of standards for AHCF's in Section 423.		NA	NA
304.1.1 Definitions. The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this section and as used elsewhere in this code, have the meanings shown herein.  CLINIC, OUTPATIENT.  Buildings or portions thereof used to provide medical care on less than a 24-hour basis to individuals who are not rendered				

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incapable of self-preservation by the services provided.				
310.1 Residential Group R Congregate living facilities (transient) with 10 or fewer occupants are permitted to comply with the construction requirements for Group R-3.	Transient "congregate living facilities" with 10 or fewer occupants can be constructed to R-3 rather than R-1 -this is big help to B and B industry.		310.1 Residential Group R. Residential Group R includes, among others, the use of a building or structure, or a portion thereof, for sleeping purposes when not classified as an Institutional Group I or when not regulated by the Florida Building Code, Residential in accordance with Section 101.2. Residential occupancies shall include the following:  R-1 Residential occupancies containing sleeping units where the occupants are primarily transient in nature, including:  Boarding houses (transient) Hotels (transient) Motels (transient)  Congregate living facilities (transient) with 10or fewer occupants are permitted to comply with the construction requirements for Group R-3.	NA NA
R-2 Residential occupancies containing <i>sleeping units</i> or more than two <i>dwelling units</i>	Live/Work Units added as an R-2 -See Sec 419.		R-2 Residential occupancies containing sleeping units or more than two dwelling units	NA
where the occupants are			where the occupants are	

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primarily permanent in nature, including: Apartment houses Boarding houses (nontransient) Convents Dormitories Fraternities and sororities Hotels (nontransient) Live/work units			primarily permanent in nature, including:  Apartment houses Boarding houses (not transient) Convents Dormitories Fraternities and sororities Hotels (nontransient) Live/work units Monasteries Motels (nontransient) Vacation timeshare properties  Congregate living facilities with 16 or fewer occupants are permitted to comply with the construction requirements for Group R-3.	
311.2 Moderate-hazard storage, Group S-1. Buildings occupied for storage uses that are not classified as Group S-2, including, but not limited to, storage of the following: Aerosols, Levels 2 and 3 Aircraft hangar (storage and repair)	All aircraft hangers other than residential aircraft hangers are not considered and S-1 occupancy. 2006 code allowed some to be S-1. See 412		NA	NA
402.2 Definitions COVERED MALLBUILDING. A single building enclosing a number of tenants and occupants, such as retail stores,	Definitions and standards added to allow an 'open mall' building to use the Sec 402 standards. This allows a 'collection of buildings' to be considered a		Open mall building. Several structures housing a number of tenants, such as retail stores, drinking and dining establishments entertainment	NA

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drinking and dining establishments, entertainment and amusement facilities, passenger transportation terminals, offices and other similar uses wherein two or more tenants have a main entrance into one or more malls. For the purpose of this chapter, anchor buildings shall not be considered as a part of the covered mall building. The term "covered mall building" shall include open mall buildings as defined below.  Mall. A roofed or covered common pedestrian area within a covered mall building that serves as access for two or more tenants and not to exceed three levels that are open to each other. The term "mall" shall include open malls as defined below.	single open mall building.		and amusement facilities, offices, and other similar uses, wherein two or more tenants have a main entrance into one or more open malls. For the purpose of Chapter 4 of the Florida Building Code, Building, anchor buildings are not considered as a part of the open mall building.	
Open mall. An unroofed common pedestrian way serving a number of tenants not exceeding three levels. Circulation at levels above grade shall be permitted to include open exterior balconies leading to exits discharging at grade.				

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Open mall building. Several structures housing a number of tenants, such as retail stores, drinking and dining establishments, entertainment and amusement facilities, offices, and other similar uses, wherein two or more tenants have a main entrance into one or more open malls. For the purpose of Chapter 4 of the International Building Code, anchor buildings are not considered as a part of the open				
mall building.  402.10 Smoke control. Where a covered mall building contains an atrium, a smoke control system shall be provided in accordance with Section 404.5.	Open malls and 2 level covered malls do not need smoke control		NA	NA
Exception: A smoke control system is not required in covered mall buildings when an atrium connects only two stories.				
403.1 Applicability. High-rise buildings shall comply with Sections 403.2 through 403.6. Exception: The provisions of Sections 403.2 through 403.6 shall not apply to the following buildings and structures:  1. Airport traffic control towers in	Significantly revised. Many changes resulting from Post 9/11 Terrorism studies. Many standards added for 'super' highrises -those over 420 feet. Changes for all high-rises: 1. Fire pumps to be supplied by 2 different mains -403.3.2 2. Bond	11.1.6 Minimum Construction Requirements. Minimum construction requirements shall be in accordance with the applicable occupancy chapter.  There is nothing in Chapter 11	403.2.1.1_Type of construction. The following reductions in the minimum fire-resistance rating of the building elements in Table 601 shall be permitted as follows:  1. For buildings not greater than 420 feet (128 m) in building	IBC language should be reviewed for adoption as opposed to Florida Building Code specific amendments  There are no conflicts with NFPA 101 as defined for this project.

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accordance with Section 412.3. 2. Open parking garages in accordance with Section 406.3. 3. Buildings with a Group A-5 occupancy in accordance with Section 303.1. 4. Special industrial occupancies in accordance with	strength for spray applied fire proofing increased -403.2.4 3. Smoke removal system required403.4.6 4. Exit enclosures to be separated at least 30 feet -403.5.1 5. Luminous egress path markings required -403.5.5 6. Occupant self-evacuation elevators per	Table 12.1.6   Construction   Type Limitations	height, the fire-resistance rating of the building elements in Type IA construction shall be permitted to be reduced to the	
Section 503.1.1. 5. Buildings with a Group H-1, H-2 or H-3 occupancy in accordance with Section 415.  403.2 Construction. The construction of high-rise buildings shall comply with the provisions of Sections 403.2.1	3008 can be installed -406.2 Changes for high-rises over 120 feet: 1. A 'fire service access elevator' required. These have enhanced protection and functional lobbies to allow use by firefighters for firefighting and staging as well as assisting people in wheelchairs out of the	II (222) <sup>c, d, e</sup>   Yes   X   X   X   X   X   X   X   X   X	supporting floors shall not be permitted to be reduced.  2. In other than Group F-1, M and S-1 occupancies, the fire-resistance rating of the building elements in Type IB construction shall be permitted to be reduced to the fire-resistance ratings in Type IIA.	
through 403.2.4.  403.2.1.1 Type of construction. The following reductions in the minimum <i>fire-resistance rating</i> of the building elements in Table 601 shall be permitted as follows:  1. For buildings not greater than 420 feet (128 m) in <i>building</i>	fire zone. 406.1 Changes for high-rises over 420 feet: 1. Sprinklers zones supplied by 2 risers 403.3.1 2. Reductions in fire-resistence rating not allowed -403.2.1.1 3. Shafts for stairs and elevators to be built to resist impacts 403.2.3 4. Even high bond strength for spray applied fire proofing. 403.2.4 5. An	V (000) Yes X2 X3 X4 NP No NP NP NP NP NP NP X: Permitted for assembly of any occupant load, but limited to one story belo X2: Permitted for assembly limited to an occupant load of 1000 or less, and li level of exit discharge. X3: Permitted for assembly limited to an occupant load of 1000 or less.	3. The building height and building area limitations of a building containing building elements with reduced fire-resistance ratings shall be permitted to be the same as the building without such reductions.	
height, the fire- resistance rating of the building elements in Type IA construction shall be permitted to be reduced to the minimum fire-resistance ratings for the building elements in Type	additional stairway required -or elevators meet new standard for occupant self -evacuation. 403.5.4			

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IB.		4	403. <u>2</u> 3.1. <u>1</u> Type of	
Exception: The required fire-		Construction 1 Story	construction. In Type I-A	
resistance rating of columns			construction the fire-resistance	
supporting floors shall not be		No NP X X X	ratings of partitions, columns,	
permitted to be reduced.			russes, girders, beams and	
2. In other than Group F-1, M		II (222) Yes X X X X	floors may be reduced by 1	
and S-1 occupancies, the fire-		II (111) Vos V V V	nour, but no component or	
resistance rating of the building		No NP X NP N	assembly shall be less than 1	
elements in Type IB			nour.	
construction shall be permitted		III (211) Yes X X X X X X X NO NO NP X NP N	The height and area limitations	
to be reduced to the fire-		III (200) Yes NP X X N	of the reduced construction type	
resistance ratings in Type IIA.			shall be allowed to be the same	
3. The <i>building height</i> and		IV (2HH) Yes X X X N No NP X NP N	as for the original construction	
building area limitations of a		V (111) Yes X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X X	type.	
building containing building		V (000) Yes NP X X N		
elements with reduced fire-		No NP X NP NI  X: Permitted, NP: Not Permitted.		
resistance ratings shall be		<ul> <li>See 4.6.3.</li> <li>Sprinklered throughout by an approved, supervised automatic sprinkler systems.</li> </ul>		
permitted to be the same as the		<sup>c</sup> One story below the level of exit discharge.		
building without such reductions.		-tesies about the land of onis Historian as advantable one		
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403.2.1.2 Shaft enclosures.				
For buildings not greater than				
420 feet (128 m) in building				
height, the required fire-				
resistance rating of the fire				
barriers enclosing vertical				
shafts, other than <i>exit</i>				
enclosures and elevator				
hoistway enclosures, is				
permitted to be reduced to 1				
hour where automatic sprinklers				
are installed within the shafts at				
the top and at alternate floor				
levels.				
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			Table 18.1.6.1	Construction Type	Limitations			
403.2.2 Seismic			Construction		То	al Number of Ste	403.2.2 Seismic	
considerations. For seismic			Туре	Sprinklered <sup>‡</sup>	1	2	considerations. Reserved.	
considerations, see Chapter 16.			I (442)	Yes No	X NP	X NP		
403.2.3 Structural integrity of			I (332)	Yes No	X NP	X NP		
exit enclosures and elevator			II (222)	Yes No	X NP	X NP		
hoistway enclosures. For high-			II (111)	Yes No	X NP	X NP		
rise buildings of occupancy			II (000)	Yes No	X NP	NP NP		
category III or IV in accordance			III (211)	Yes	X NP	NP NP		
with Section 1604.5, and for all			III (200)	No Yes	NP	NP		
buildings that are more than 420			IV (2HH)	No Yes	NP X	NP NP		
feet (128 m) in building height,				No	NP	NP		
exit enclosures and elevator			V (111)	Yes No	X NP	NP NP		
hoistway enclosures shall comply with Sections 403.2.3.1			V (000)	Yes No	NP NP	NP NP		
through 403.2.3.4.				Not permitted. ot counted as stories. ughout by an approv		utomatic sprinkler		
403.2.3.1 Wall assembly. The			(3) The roof/c	eiling assembly sha	dl have the rec	uired fire re-		
wall assemblies making up the								
exit enclosures and elevator								
hoistway enclosures shall meet								
or exceed Soft Body Impact Classification Level 2 as								
measured by the test method								
described in ASTM C 1629/C								
1629M.								
403.2.3.2 Wall assembly								
materials. The face of the wall								
assemblies making up the exit								
enclosures and elevator								
hoistway enclosures that are not								
exposed to the interior of the								

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exit enclosure or elevator		101-182	)			LIFE SAFET		
hoistway enclosure shall be		1 Table 18	.4.3.2 Constru	uction Type I.	imitations (N	Vonsprinklered Bu		
constructed in accordance with		1		1)pe 1		otal Number of Sto	  	
one of the following methods:		Constr		rinklered	1	2		
1. The wall assembly shall		I (4	42)	Yes No	NA X	NA X		
incorporate not less than two		I (3	32)	Yes No	NA X	NA X		
layers of impact-resistant			0.0000000	200000 	15399	0.000		
construction board each of		II (2	222)	Yes No	NA X	NA X		
which meets or exceeds Hard		П (1	111)	Yes No	NA X	NA NP		
Body Impact Classification Level		II (C	000)	Yes	NA	NA		
2 as measured by the test		— ш (	211)	No Yes	NP NA	NP NA	-	
method described in ASTM C			000 IM	No	NP	NP	_	
1629/C 1629M.		III (	200)	Yes No	NA NP	NA NP		
2. The wall assembly shall		IV (2	HH)	Yes No	NA NP	NA NP		
incorporate not less than one		V (1	11)	Yes	NA NP	NA		
layer of impact-resistant		V (6	2007	No Yes	NP NA	NP NA		
construction material that meets		I	5)	No	NP	NP		
or exceeds Hard Body Impact			applicable, X: Pe ats are not count		Not permitted.			
Classification Level 3 as								
measured by the test method								
described in ASTM C 1629/C								
1629M.								
3. The wall assembly								
incorporates multiple layers of								
any material, tested in tandem,								
that meet or exceed Hard Body								
Impact Classification Level 3 as								
measured by the test method								
described in ASTM C 1629/C								
1629M.								
403.2.3.3 Concrete and								
masonry walls. Concrete or								
masonry walls shall be deemed								

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to satisfy the requirements of			Table 20.1.6.1 Cons	truction Type L	imitations			
Sections 403.2.3.1 and			i ———		Stories in	Height <sup>†</sup>		
403.2.3.2.			Construction Type	Sprinklered <sup>‡</sup>	1	≥2		
			I (442)	Yes No	X X	X X		
403.2.3.4 Other wall			I (332)	Yes No	X X	X X		
assemblies. Any other wall			II (222)	Yes	X	X		
assembly that provides impact				No	X	X		
resistance equivalent to that			II (111)	Yes No	X X	X X		
required by Sections 403.2.3.1			II (000)	Yes No	X X	X NP		
and 403.2.3.2 for Hard Body			III (211)	Yes No	X X	X X		
Impact Classification Level 3, as			III (200)	Yes		X		
measured by the test method				No	X X	NP		
described in ASTM C 1629/C			IV (2HH)	Yes No	X X	X X		
1629M, shall be permitted.			V (111)	Yes No	X X	X X		
			V (000)	Yes No	X X	X NP		
403.2.4 Sprayed fire-resistant materials (SFRM). The bond			X: Permitted. NP: Not  † See 4.6.3.  ‡ Sprinklered througho	permitted.				
strength of the SFRM installed			kler system in accordar	nce with Section 9	).7. (See 20.3.5.	)		
throughout the building shall be							-	
in accordance with Table								
403.2.4.								
MINIMUM BOND STRENGTH HEXCHT OF BULLONG* STRENGTH								
Up to 420 feet 430 paf Greater than 420 feet 1,000 paf								
For SE: 1 foor - 201.8 mm. 1 pound per square front (pst) = 0.0479 kW/m², a. Above the lowest level of fire department vehicle access.								
[F] 403.3 Automatic sprinkler								
system. Buildings and								
structures shall be equipped								
throughout with an automatic								
sprinkler system in accordance								
with Section 903.3.1.1 and a								
secondary water supply where								
required by Section 903.3.5.2.								
Exception: An automatic								
sprinkler system shall not be								

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required in spaces or areas of:			Table 22.1.6.	Construction	Type Limita	tions			
1. Open parking garages in			Ì	5 - Marcon Colombia (1970)			Stories		
accordance with Section 406.3.			Construction		1 With	1 Witho			
2. Telecommunications			Type I (442)	Yes	X	X NP	X NP		
equipment buildings used			1 (999)	No	NP		NP X		
exclusively for			I (332)	Yes No	X NP	X NP	NP		
telecommunications equipment,			II (222)	Yes No	X NP	X NP	X NP		
associated electrical power			П (111)	Yes No	X NP	X NP	X NP		
distribution equipment, batteries			II (000)		X				
and standby engines, provided				Yes No	NP	X NP	X NP		
that those spaces or areas are			III (211)	Yes No	X NP	X NP	X NP		
equipped throughout with an			III (200)	Yes No	X NP	X NP	X NP		
automatic fire detection system			IV (2HH)	Yes	X	X NP	X NP		
in accordance with Section			V (111)	No Yes	NP X	NP X	NP X		
907.2 and are separated from			3	No	NP	NP	NP		
the remainder of the building by			V (000)	Yes No	X NP	X NP	X NP		
not less than 1-hour fire barriers			X: Permitted for NP: Not permi	r Use Condition	s II, III, IV, and	1 V. (See 22.	1.4.3 for Use		
constructed in accordance with			†See 4.6.3. ‡ Sprinklered	throughout by	an approved,	supervised	automatic		
Section 707 or not less than 2-		-	9.7.1.1(1). (See	22.3.5.)	1 (117) an (M) an (	11/2-branes	- 60 (40 (40 )		
hour horizontal assemblies									
constructed in accordance with									
Section 712, or both.									
[F] 403.3.1 Number of									
sprinkler risers and system									
design. Each sprinkler system									
zone in buildings that are									
more than 420 feet (128 m) in									
building height shall be supplied									
by a minimum of two risers.									
Each riser shall supply									
sprinklers on alternate floors. If									
more than two risers are									
provided for a zone, sprinklers									

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on adjacent floors shall not be		Table 22.4.4.2.1 Construction Type Limitations — Nonsprinkler	
supplied from the same riser.		Stories in	
		Construction 1 With 1 Without Type Sprinklered Basement Basement 2	
[F] 403.3.1.1 Riser location.		I (442) Yes NA NA NA	
Sprinkler risers shall be placed		No X X X  I (332) Yes NA NA NA	
in exit enclosures that are		No X X X	
remotely located in accordance		II (222) Yes NA NA NA No X X X	
with Section 1015.2.		II (111) Yes NA NA NA NA NO XI X XI	
Γ		II (000) Yes NA NA NA	
F] 403.3.2 Water supply to		No NP NP NP	
required fire pumps.		No X1 X1 X1	
Required fire pumps shall be		III (200) Yes NA NA NA No NP NP NP	
supplied by connections to a		IV (2HH) Yes NA NA NA NA NO NO XI XI XI	
minimum of two water mains		V (111) Yes NA NA NA	
located in different streets.		No X1 X1 X1	
Separate supply piping shall be		V (000) Yes NA NA NA NA NO NO NP NP NP	
provided between each		NA: Not applicable. NP: Not permitted.  X: Permitted for Use Conditions II, III, IV, and V. (See 22.1.4.3 for Use Con	
connection to the water main		X1: Permitted for Use Conditions II, III, and IV. Use Condition V not permi  † See 4.6.3.	
and the pumps. Each			
connection and the supply			
piping between the connection			
and the pumps shall be sized to			
supply the flow and pressure			
required for the pumps to			
operate.			
<b>Exception:</b> Two connections to			
the same main shall be			
permitted provided the main is			
valved such that an interruption			
can be isolated so that the water			
supply will continue without			
interruption through at least one			
of the connections.			
of the connections.			

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403.4 Emergency systems. The detection, alarm and emergency systems of high-rise buildings shall comply with Sections 403.4.1 through 403.4.8. [F] 403.4.1 Smoke detection. Smoke detection shall be provided in accordance with Section 907.2.13.1.  [F] 403.4.2 Fire alarms systems. A fire alarm system shall be provided in accordance with Section 907.2.13. [F] 403.4.3 Emergency voice/alarm communication system. An emergency voice/alarm communication system shall be provided in accordance with Section 907.5.2.2. [F] 403.4.4 Emergency		Table 32.3.1.3   Construction Type Limitations	[F] 403.4.1 Smoke detection. Smoke detection shall be provided in accordance with Section 907.2.13.1.	
responder radio coverage. Emergency responder radio coverage shall be provided in accordance with Section 510 of the <i>International Fire Code</i> .  [F] 403.4.5 Fire command. A fire command center complying with Section 911 shall be provided in a location approved by the fire department.			[F] 403.4.4 Emergency responder radio coverage. Change to read as shown.  [F] 403.4.4 Emergency responder radio coverage. Emergency responder radio coverage shall be provided in accordance with the Florida FirePrevention Code.	

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exhaust air change every 15			equipment providing one	
minutes for the area involved.			exhaust air change every 15	
Return and exhaust air shall be			minutes for the area involved.	
moved directly to the outside			Return and exhaust air shall be	
without recirculation to other			moved directly to the outside	
portions of the building.			without recirculation to other	
3. Any other <i>approved</i> design			portions of the building.	
that will produce equivalent			3. Any other <i>approved</i> design	
results.			that will produce equivalent	
F] 403.4.7.2 Standby power			results.	
loads. The following are				
classified as standby power				
loads:				
1. Power and lighting for the fire				
command center required by				
Section 403.4.5;				
2. Ventilation and automatic fire				
detection equipment for				
smokeproof enclosures; and				
3. Standby power shall be				
provided for elevators in				
accordance with Sections				
1007.4, 3003, 3007 and 3008.				
403.5.1 Remoteness of exit				
stairway enclosures. The				
required exit stairway				
enclosures shall be separated				
by a distance not less than 30				
feet (9144 mm) or not less than				
one-fourth of the length of the				
maximum overall diagonal				
dimension of the building or				
area to be served, whichever is				
less. The distance shall be				

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measured in a straight line				
between the nearest points of				
the <i>exit stairway</i> enclosures.				
In buildings with three or more				
exit stairway enclosures, at least				
two of the exit stairway				
enclosures shall comply with				
this section. Interlocking or				
scissor stairs shall be counted				
as one exit stairway.				
403.5.2 Additional exit				
stairway. For buildings other				
than Group R-2 that are more				
than 420 feet (128 m) in building				
height, one additional exit				
stairway meeting the				
requirements of Sections 1009				
and 1022 shall be provided in				
addition to the minimum number				
of <i>exits</i> required by Section				
1021.1. The total width of any				
combination of remaining exit				
stairways with one exit stairway				
removed shall not be less than				
the total width required by				
Section 1005.1. Scissor stairs				
shall not be considered the				
additional exit stairway required				
by this section.				
Exception: An additional exit				
stairway shall not be required to				
be installed in buildings having				
elevators used for occupant self-				
evacuation in accordance with				

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Section 3008.	1		with 2009 Supplement	
403.5.4 Smokeproof exit				
enclosures. Every required				
level exit stairway serving floors				
more than 75 feet (22 860 mm)				
above the lowest level of fire				
department vehicle access shall				
comply with Sections 909.20				
and 1022.9.				
403.5.5 Luminous egress path				
markings. Luminous egress				
path markings shall be provided				
in accordance with				
Section 1024.				
403.6 Elevators. Elevator				
installation and operation in				
high-rise buildings shall comply				
with Chapter 30 and Sections				
403.6.1 and 403.6.2.				
403.6.1 Fire service access				
elevator. In buildings with an				
occupied floor more than 120				
feet (36 576 mm) above the				
lowest level of fire department				
vehicle access, a minimum				
of one fire service access			403. <u>7</u> 15 Add text to read as	
elevator shall be provided in			shown.	
accordance with Section 3007.				
403.6.2 Occupant evacuation			403.715 Smoke control shall be	
elevators. Where installed			provided in accordance with	
in accordance with Section			Section 909.	
3008, passenger elevators for			Exception: I-2 occupancies	
general public use shall be			that comply with Section 407,	
permitted to be used for			419.3.12 and 420.3.16 shall not	

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occupant self-evacuation.			require smoke control systems in accordance with Section 909.	
<b>406.1.5</b> Automatic garage door openers. Automatic garage door openers, if provided, shall be <i>listed</i> in accordance with UL 325.	Private garages -Automatic door openers must meet UL325.		NA	NA
407.4.3 Horizontal assemblies. Horizontal assemblies supporting smoke barriers required by this section shall be designed to resist the movement of smoke and shall comply with Section 712.9.	Establishes that horizontal assemblies supporting smoke barriers must also resist passage of smoke.		NA	NA
408.3 Means of egress. Except as modified or as provided for in this section, the provisions of Chapter 10 shall apply. 408.3.1 Door width. Doors to resident sleeping units shall have a clear width of not less than 28 inches (711 mm). 408.3.2 Sliding doors. Where doors in a means of egress are of the horizontal-sliding type, the force to slide the door to its fully open position shall not exceed 50 pounds (220 N) with a perpendicular force against the door of 50 pounds (220 N). 408.3.3 Guard tower doors. A hatch or trap door not less than 16 square feet (610 m2) in area	Many refinements to egress standards to allow more flexible approach to inmate and well as guard exiting and safety.	7.2.1.14 Horizontal-Sliding Door Assemblies. Horizontal sliding door assemblies shall be permitted in means of egress, provided that the following criteria are met: (1) The door leaf is readily operable from either side without special knowledge or effort. (2) The force that, when applied to the operating device in the direction of egress, is required to operate the door leaf is not more than 15 lbf (67 N). (3) The force required to operate the door leaf in the direction of travel is not more than 30 lbf	NA NA	There are no conflicts with NFPA 101 as defined for this project.

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through the floor and having		(133 N) to set the leaf		
minimum dimensions of not less		in motion and is not more than		
than 2 feet (610 mm) in any		15 lbf (67 N) to close the		
direction shall be permitted to be		leaf or open it to the minimum		
used as a portion of the <i>means</i>		required width.		
of egress from guard towers.		(4) The door leaf is operable		
408.3.4 Spiral stairways. Spiral		using a force of not more than		
stairways that conform to the		50 lbf (222 N) when a force of		
requirements of Section 1009.9		250 lbf (1100 N) is applied		
are permitted for access to and		perpendicularly to the leaf		
between staff locations.		adjacent to the operating device,		
408.3.5 Ship ladders. Ship		unless the door opening is an		
ladders shall be permitted for		existing horizontal sliding		
egress from control rooms or		exit access door assembly		
elevated facility observation		serving an area with an		
rooms in accordance with		occupant load of fewer than 50.		
Section 1009.11.		(5) The door assembly complies		
408.3.6 Exit discharge. Exits		with the fire protection rating, if		
are permitted to discharge into a		required, and, where rated, is		
fenced or walled courtyard.		self-closing or automatic closing		
Enclosed yards or <i>courts</i> shall		by means of smoke detection in		
be of a size to accommodate all		accordance with		
occupants, a minimum of 50 feet		7.2.1.8 and is installed in		
(15 240 mm) from the building		accordance with NFPA80,		
with a net area of 15 square feet		Standard for Fire Doors and		
(1.4 m2) per person.		Other Opening Protectives.		
408.3.7 Sallyports. A sallyport		18.2.2.2.10.2 Horizontal-sliding		
shall be permitted in a		doors serving an occupant load		
means of egress where there		of fewer than 10 shall be		
are provisions for continuous		permitted, provided that all of		
and unobstructed passage		the following criteria are met:		
through the sallyport during an		(1) The area served by the door		
emergency egress condition.		has no high hazard contents.		
408.3.8 Exit enclosures. One		(2) The door is readily operable		

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of the required exit enclosures in		from either side without special		
each building shall be permitted		knowledge or effort.		
to have glazing installed in		(3) The force required to operate		
doors and interior walls at each		the door in the direction of door		
landing level providing access to		travel is not more than 30 lbf		
the enclosure, provided that the		(133 N) to set the door in motion		
following conditions are met:		and is not more than 15 lbf (67		
1. The exit enclosure shall not		N) to close the door or open it to		
serve more than four floor		the minimum required width.		
levels.		(4) The door assembly complies		
2. Exit doors shall not be less		with any required fire protection		
than 3/4-hour fire door		rating, and, where rated, is self-		
assemblies complying with		closing or automatic closing		
Section 715.4		by means of smoke detection in		
3. The total area of glazing at		accordance with 7.2.1.8 and is		
each floor level shall not		installed in accordance with		
exceed 5,000 square inches		NFPA80, Standard for Fire		
(3m2) and individual panels of		Doors and Other Opening		
glazing shall not exceed 1,296		Protectives.		
square inches (0.84 m2).		(5) Where corridor doors are		
4. The glazing shall be protected		required to latch, the doors are		
on both sides by an		equipped with a latch or other		
automatic sprinkler system. The		mechanism that ensures		
sprinkler system		that the doors will not rebound		
shall be designed to wet		into a partially open position		
completely the entire surface		if forcefully closed.		
of any glazing affected by fire				
when actuated. 5. The glazing		NO NFPA REFERENCE TO		
shall be in a gasketed frame and		<b>GUARD TOWERS</b>		
installed				
in such a manner that the		22.2.7 Discharge from Exits.		
framing system will deflect		22.2.7.1 Exits shall be permitted		
without breaking (loading) the		to discharge into a fenced or		
glass before the sprinkler		walled courtyard, provided that		

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system operates. 6. Obstructions, such as curtain rods, drapery traverse rods, curtains, drapes or similar materials shall not be installed between the automatic sprinklers and the glazing.		not more than two walls of the courtyard are the building walls from which egress is being made.  22.2.7.2 Enclosed yards or courts used for exit discharge in accordance with 22.2.7.1 shall be of sufficient size to accommodate all occupants at a distance of not less than 50 ft (15 m) from the building while providing a net area of 15 ft2 (1.4 m2) per person.  22.2.7.3 All exits shall be permitted to discharge through the level of exit discharge.  22.2.7.4 The requirements of 7.7.2 shall be waived, provided that not more than 50 percent of the exits discharge into a single fire compartment separated from other compartments by construction having not less than a 1-hour fire resistance rating.		
		22.3.1 Protection of Vertical Openings. Any vertical opening shall be enclosed or protected in accordance with Section 8.6, unless otherwise permitted by the following: (1) Unprotected vertical		

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		openings in accordance with 8.6.8.2 shall be permitted.  (2)*In residential housing area smoke compartments, unprotected vertical openings shall be permitted in accordance with the conditions of 8.6.6, provided that the height between the lowest and highest finished floor levels does not exceed 23 ft (7010 mm), and the following also shall be permitted:  (a) The number of levels shall not be restricted.  (b) Residential housing areas subdivided in accordance with 22.3.8 shall be permitted to be considered as part of the communicating space.  (c) The separation shall not be required to have a fire resistance rating. [See 8.6.6(4)(b).]  8.6.8.2 Where permitted by Chapters 11 through 43, unenclosed vertical openings not concealed within the building construction shall be permitted as follows:  (1) Such openings shall connect not more than two adjacent stories (one floor pierced only).  (2) Such openings shall be		

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		separated from unprotected vertical openings serving other floors by a barrier complying with 8.6.5.  (3) Such openings shall be separated from corridors.  (4) In new construction, the convenience opening shall be separated from the corridor referenced in 8.6.8.2(3) by a smoke partition, unless Chapters 11 through 43 require the corridor to have a fire resistance rating.  (5)*Such openings shall not serve as a required means of		
		8.6.6 Communicating Space. Unless prohibited by Chapters 11 through 43, unenclosed floor openings forming a communicating space between floor levels shall be permitted, provided that the following conditions are met: (1) The communicating space does not connect more than three contiguous stories. (2) The lowest or next-to-lowest story within the communicating space is a street floor. (3) The entire floor area of the communicating space is open		

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		and unobstructed, such that a fire in any part of the space will be readily obvious to the occupants of the space prior to the time it becomes an occupant hazard.  (4) The communicating space is separated from the remainder of the building by fire barriers with not less than a 1-hour fire resistance rating, unless one of the following is met:  (a) In buildings protected throughout by an approved automatic sprinkler system in accordance with Section 9.7, a smoke barrier in accordance with Section 8.5 shall be permitted to serve as the separation required by 8.6.6(4).  (b) The requirement of 8.6.6(4) shall not apply to fully sprinklered residential housing units of detention and correctional occupancies in accordance with 22.3.1(2) and 23.3.1.1(2).		
<b>408.5 Protection of vertical openings.</b> Any vertical opening shall be protected by a shaft enclosure in accordance with Section 708, or shall be in accordance with Section 408.5.1. <b>408.5.1 Floor</b>	Exemptions for penetration protections within housing units		NA	NA

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openings. Openings in floors				
within a housing unit are				
permitted without a shaft				
enclosure, provided all of the				
following conditions are met:				
1. The entire normally occupied				
areas so interconnected are				
open and unobstructed so as to				
enable observation of the areas				
by supervisory personnel;				
2. Means of egress capacity is				
sufficient for all occupants from				
all interconnected cell tiers and				
areas;				
3. The height difference				
between the floor levels of the				
highest and lowest cell tiers				
shall not exceed 23 feet				
(7010 mm); and				
4. Egress from any portion of				
the cell tier to an exit or				
exit access door shall not				
require travel on more than				
one additional floor level within				
the housing unit.				
408.5.2 Shaft openings in				
communicating floor levels.				
Where a floor opening is				
permitted between				
communicating floor levels of a				
housing unit in accordance with				
Section 408.5.1, plumbing				
chases serving vertically staked				

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individual cells contained with the housing unit shall be permitted without a shaft enclosure				
SECTION 419 LIVE/WORK UNITS 419.1 General. A live/work unit is a dwelling unit or sleeping unit in which a significant portion of the space includes a nonresidential use that is operated by the tenant and shall comply with Sections 419.1 through 419.8. Exception: Dwelling or sleeping units that include an office that is less than 10 percent of the area of the dwelling unit shall not be classified as a live/work unit. 419.1.1 Limitations. The following shall apply to all live/work areas:  1. The live/work unit is permitted to be a maximum of 3,000 square feet (279 m2);  2. The nonresidential area is permitted to be a maximum 50 percent of the area of each live/work unit;  3. The nonresidential area function shall be limited to the first or main floor only of the live/work unit; and	Sometimes called 'artist lofts' and similar phrases. Allows a mixture of uses including residential within the same 'unit' without separation of unlike uses.	NO SIMULAR CONCEPT IN NFPA	Section 440 Live/Work Units. Add to read as shown. SECTION 440 419 LIVE/WORK UNITS [No change to text.]  44019.8Ventilation. Change to read as shown.  44019.8Ventilation. The applicable requirements of the Florida Building Code, Mechanical shall apply to each area within the live/work unit for the function within that space.	NA

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4. A maximum of five nonresidential workers or employees are allowed to occupy the nonresidential area at any one time.  419.2 Occupancies. Live/work units shall be classified as a Group R-2 occupancy. Separation requirements found in Sections 420 and 508 shall not apply within the live/work unit is in compliance with Section 419. High-hazard and storage occupancies shall not be permitted in a live/work unit. The aggregate area of storage in the nonresidential portion of the live/work unit shall be limited to 10 percent of the space dedicated to nonresidential activities.  419.3 Means of egress. Except as modified by this section, the provisions for Group R-2 occupancies in Chapter 10 shall apply to the entire live/work unit. The egress capacity. The egress capacity. The egress capacity for each element of the live/work unit shall be limited to 10 percent of the provision for Group R-2 occupancies in Chapter 10 shall apply to the entire live/work unit shall be based on the occupant load for the function served in	2009 International Building Code Text	Explanation	2009 NFPA Text	2007 Florida Building Code with 2009 Supplement	Recommendation
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419.3.2 Sliding doors. Where				
doors in a <i>means of egress</i> are				
of the horizontal-sliding type, the				
force to slide the door to its fully				
open position shall not exceed				
50 pounds (220 N) with a				
perpendicular force against the				
door of 50 pounds (220 N).				
419.3.3 Spiral stairways. Spiral				
stairways that conform to the				
requirements of Section 1009.9				
shall be permitted.				
419.3.4 Locks. Egress doors				
shall be permitted to be locked				
in accordance with Exception 4				
of Section 1008.1.9.3. 419.4				
Vertical openings. Floor				
openings between floor levels of				
a live/work unit are permitted				
without enclosure.				
419.5 Fire protection. The				
live/work unit shall be provided				
with a monitored fire alarm				
system where required by				
Section 907.2.9 and an				
automatic sprinkler system in				
accordance with Section 903.2.8.				
<b>419.6 Structural.</b> Floor loading for the areas within a				
live/work unit shall be designed				
to conform to Table 1607.1				
based on the function within the				
space.				

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419.7 Accessibility. Accessibility shall be designed in accordance with Chapter 11. 419.8Ventilation. The applicable requirements of the International Mechanical Code shall apply to each area within the live/work unit for the function within that space.				
AMBULATORY HEALTH CARE FACILITIES 422.1 General. Occupancies classified as Group B ambulatory health care facilities shall comply with the provisions of Sections 422.1 through 422.6 and other applicable provisions of this code. 422.2 Smoke barriers. Smoke barriers shall be provided to subdivide every ambulatory care facility greater than 10,000 square feet (929 m2) into a minimum of two smoke compartments per story. The travel distance from any point in a smoke compartment to a smoke barrier door shall not exceed 200 feet (60 960 mm). The smoke barrier shall be installed in accordance with Section 710. 422.3 Refuge area. At least 30	New term (defined in Chapter 2) • Still a B occupancy • Sprinklered • Smoke barriers dividing each facility • Egress from each smoke compartment fire alarm system required	20.3.7.2 Every story of an ambulatory health care facility shall be divided into not less than two smoke compartments, unless otherwise permitted by the following:  (1) This requirement shall not apply to facilities of less than 5000 ft2 (465 m2) that are protected by an approved automatic smoke detection system.  (2) This requirement shall not apply to facilities of less than 10,000 ft2 (929 m2) that are protected throughout by an approved, supervised automatic sprinkler system installed in accordance with Section 9.7.  (3) An area in an adjoining occupancy shall be permitted to serve as a smoke compartment for an ambulatory health care facility if the following	Section 441 Ambulatory Health Care Facilities. Add to read as shown.  SECTION 441 422 AMBULATORY HEALTH CARE FACILITIES  441.0 See Section 421 Ambulatory Surgical Centers	There are no conflicts with NFPA 101 as defined for this project.

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net square feet (2.8 m2) per nonambulatory patient shall be provided within the aggregate area of corridors, patient rooms, treatment rooms, lounge or dining areas and other low-hazard areas on each side of each smoke barrier.  42.4 Independent egress. A means of egress shall be provided from each smoke compartment created by smoke barriers without having to return through the smoke compartment from which means of egress originated.  422.5 Automatic sprinkler systems. Automatic sprinkler systems shall be provided for ambulatory care facilities in accordance with Section 903.2.2.  422.6 Fire alarm systems. A fire alarm system shall be provided in accordance with Section 907.2.2.1.		criteria are met:  (a) The separating wall and both compartments meet the requirements of 20.3.7.  (b) The ambulatory health care facility is less than 22,500 ft2 (2100 m2).  (c) Access from the ambulatory health care facility to the other occupancy is unrestricted. 20.3.7.3 Smoke compartments shall not exceed an area of 22,500 ft2 (2100 m2), and the travel distance from any point to reach a door in a smoke barrier shall not exceed 200 ft (61 m).  20.3.7.8 Not less than 15 net ft2 (1.4 net m2) per ambulatory health care facility occupant shall be provided within the aggregate area of corridors, patient rooms, lounges, and other low hazard areas on each side of the smoke compartment for the total number of occupants in adjoining compartments.		
<b>423.1 General.</b> In addition to other applicable requirements in this code, storm shelters shall be constructed in accordance	Refers to new ICC standard for storm shelters for hurricane and tornado prone areas.		SECTION <u>442</u> 4 <del>23</del> STORM SHELTERS [No change to text.]	NA

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with ICC-500.				
423.1.1 Scope. This section				
applies to the construction of				
storm shelters constructed as				
separate detached buildings or				
constructed as safe rooms				
within buildings for the purpose				
of providing safe refuge from				
storms that produce high				
winds, such as tornados and				
hurricanes. Such structures				
shall be designated to be				
hurricane shelters, tornado				
shelters,				
or combined hurricane and				
tornado shelters.				
<b>423.2 Definitions.</b> The following				
words and terms shall, for the				
purposes of this chapter and as				
used elsewhere in this code,				
have the meanings shown				
herein.				
STORM SHELTER. A building,				
structure or portions(s) thereof,				
constructed in accordance with				
ICC 500 and designated for use				
during a severe wind storm				
event, such as a hurricane or				
tornado.				
<b>Community storm shelter.</b> A storm shelter not defined as a				
"Residential Storm Shelter."				

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Compared to the compared to	Allowable number of stories in Types IIB and IIIB reduced for B, M, S occupancies.		Table 503 Allowable Height and Building Areas. Change to read as shown.  Under "Group" - Change "E" to "E/D" and "F2" to "F2/F3".and remove "I -4" from the Table.	NA
506.1 General. The building areas limited by Table 503 shall be permitted to be increased due to frontage (If) and automatic sprinkler system protection (Is) in accordance with the following:  A A A I A I attfts  (Equation 5-1)  where:  Aa = Allowable building area per story (square feet).  At = Tabular building area per story in accordance with Table 503 (square feet).  If = Area increase factor due to frontage as calculated in accordance with Section 506.2.  Is = Area increase factor due to sprinkler protection as calculated in accordance with Section 506.3.  506.2 Frontage increase.  Every building shall adjoin or	Maximum allowable areas for single occupancy verses mixed occupancy buildings clarified.		NA NA	NA

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have access to a public way to				
receive a building area increase				
for frontage. Where a building				
has more than 25 percent of its				
perimeter on a <i>public way</i> or				
open space having a minimum				
width of 20 feet (6096 mm), the				
frontage increase shall be				
determined in accordance with				
the following:				
IFPWf				
[ / 0.25] / 30 <b>(Equation 5-2)</b>				
where:				
If = Area increase due to				
frontage.				
F = Building perimeter that				
fronts on a <i>public way</i> or open				
space having 20 feet (6096 mm)				
open minimum width				
(feet).				
P = Perimeter of entire building				
(feet).				
W = Width of <i>public way</i> or open				
space (feet) in accordance				
with Section 506.2.1.				
<b>506.2.1 Width limits.</b> The value				
of W shall be at least 20				
feet (6096 mm). Where the				
value of W varies along the				
perimeter of the building, the				
calculation performed in				
accordance with Equation 5-2				
shall be based on the weighted				
average of each portion of				

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exterior wall and open space				
where the value of Wis greater				
than or equal to 20 feet (6096				
mm). Where the value of W				
exceeds 30 feet (9144 mm), a				
value of 30 feet (9144 mm) shall				
be used in calculating the				
weighted average, regardless of				
the actual width of the open				
space. Where two or more				
buildings are on the same lot, W				
shall be measured from the				
exterior face of a building to the				
exterior face of an opposing				
building, as applicable.				
<b>Exception:</b> The value of W				
divided by 30 shall be permitted				
to be a maximum of 2 when the				
building meets all requirements				
of Section 507 except for				
compliance with the 60-foot (18				
288 mm) <i>public way</i> or <i>yard</i>				
requirement, as applicable.				
507.3.1 Mixed occupancy	Allowance for A-1 and A-2		NA	NA
buildings with Groups A-1	occupancies in unlimited area			
and A-2. Group A-1 and A-2	buildings clarified. (I'm actually			
occupancies of other than	not sure what this did -but it took			
Type V construction shall be	them 5 code changes to do it)			
permitted within mixed				
occupancy buildings of unlimited				
area complying with Section				
507.3, provided:				
1. Group A-1 and A-2				
occupancies are separated from				

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other occupancies as required				
for separated occupancies				
in Section 508.4.4 with no				
reduction allowed in the fire-				
resistance rating of the				
separation based upon the				
installation of an automatic				
sprinkler system;				
2. Each area of the portions of				
the building used for Group A-1				
or A-2 occupancies shall not				
exceed the maximum allowable				
area permitted for such				
occupancies in Section 503.1;				
and				
3. All exit doors from Group A-1				
and A-2 occupancies shall				
discharge directly to the exterior				
of the building.				
<b>507.4 Two story.</b> The area of a				
Group B, F, M or S building no				
more than two stories above				
grade plane shall not be limited				
when the building is equipped				
throughout with an automatic				
sprinkler system in accordance				
with Section 903.3.1.1, and is				
surrounded and adjoined by				
public ways or yards not less				
than 60 feet (18 288 mm) in				
width.				
507.5 Reduced open space.				
The <i>public ways</i> or <i>yards</i> of 60				
feet (18 288 mm) in width				

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required in Sections 507.2,				
507.3, 507.4, 507.6 and 507.11				
shall be permitted to be reduced				
to not less than 40 feet (12 192				
mm) in width provided all of the				
following requirements are met:				
1. The reduced width shall not				
be allowed for more than 75				
percent of the perimeter of the				
building.				
2. The <i>exterior walls</i> facing the				
reduced width shall have a				
minimum fire-resistance rating				
of 3 hours.				
3. Openings in the <i>exterior walls</i>				
facing the reduced width				
shall have opening protectives				
with a minimum fire protection				
rating of 3 hours.				
507.6 Group A-3 buildings of				
Type II construction. The area				
of a Group A-3 building no more				
than one story above grade				
plane, used as a place of				
religious worship, community				
hall, dance hall, exhibition hall,				
gymnasium, lecture hall, indoor				
swimming pool or tennis court of				
Type II construction, shall not be				
limited when all of the following				
criteria are met:				
1. The building shall not have a				
stage other than a platform. 2.				
The building shall be equipped				

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throughout with an automatic				
sprinkler system in accordance				
with Section 903.3.1.1.				
3. The building shall be				
surrounded and adjoined by				
public ways or yards not less				
than 60 feet (18 288 mm)in				
width.				
507.7 Group A-3 buildings of				
Types III and IV construction.				
The area of a Group A-3				
building no more than one story				
above grade plane, used as a				
place of religious worship,				
community hall, dance hall,				
exhibition hall, gymnasium,				
lecture hall, indoor swimming				
pool or tennis court of Type III or				
IV construction, shall not be				
limited when all of the following				
criteria are met:				
1. The building shall not have a				
stage other than a platform.				
2. The building shall be				
equipped throughout with an				
automatic sprinkler system in				
accordance with Section				
903.3.1.1.				
3. The assembly floor shall be				
located at or within 21 inches				
(533 mm) of street or grade				
level and all <i>exits</i> are provided				
with ramps complying with				
Section 1010.1 to the street or				

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grade level. 4. The building shall be surrounded and adjoined by public ways or yards not less than 60 feet (18 288 mm)in width.  508.2 Accessory occupancies.	Incidental use areas clarified to		NA	NA
Accessory occupancies are those occupancies that are ancillary to the main occupancy of the building or portion thereof. Accessory occupancies shall comply with the provisions of Sections 508.2.1 through 508.2.5.3.  508.2.1 Area limitations. Aggregate accessory occupancies shall not occupy more than 10 percent of the building area of the story in which they are located and shall not exceed the tabular values in Table 503, without building area increases in accordance with Section 506 for such accessory occupancies.  508.2.2 Occupancy classification. Accessory occupancies shall be individually classified in accordance with Section 302.1. The requirements of this code shall apply to each portion of the building based on the	be a subcategory of accessory occupancies that have mandatory separation and/or sprinkler protection requirements. Compliance with incidental use standards no longer 'optional', but must always be met. Parking and Storage -however -are no longer incidental accessory uses. They are either accessory or a distinct occupancy unto themselves.			

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occupancy classification of that				
space.				
508.2.3 Allowable building				
area and height. The allowable				
building area and height of the				
building shall be based on the				
allowable building area and				
height for the main occupancy in				
accordance with Section 503.1.				
The height of each accessory				
occupancy shall not exceed the				
tabular values in Table 503,				
without increases in accordance				
with Section 504 for such				
accessory occupancies. The				
building area of the accessory				
occupancies shall be in				
accordance with Section				
508.2.1.				
508.2.4 Separation of				
occupancies. No separation is				
required between accessory				
occupancies and the main				
occupancy.				
Exceptions:				
1. Group H-2, H-3, H-4 and H-5				
occupancies shall be separated				
from all other occupancies in				
accordance with Section 508.4.				
2. Incidental accessory				
occupancies required to be				
separated or protected by				
Section 508.2.5.				
3. Group I-1, R-1, R-2 and R-3				

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dwelling units and sleeping units				
shall be separated from other				
dwelling or sleeping units and				
from accessory occupancies				
contiguous to them in				
accordance with the				
requirements of Section 420.				
508.2.5 Separation of				
incidental accessory				
occupancies.				
The incidental accessory				
occupancies listed in Table				
508.2.5 shall be separated from				
the remainder of the building or				
equipped with an automatic fire-				
extinguishing system, or both, in				
accordance with Table 508.2.5.				
<b>Exception:</b> Incidental accessory				
occupancies within and serving				
a dwelling unit are not required				
to comply with this section.				
508.2.5.1 Fire-resistance-rated				
separation. Where Table				
508.2.5 specifies a fire-				
resistance-rated separation,				
the incidental accessory				
occupancies shall be separated				
from the remainder of the				
building by a fire barrier				
constructed in accordance with				
Section 707 or a horizontal				
assembly constructed in				
accordance with Section				
712, or both. Construction				

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supporting 1-hour fire-				
resistance- rated fire barriers or				
horizontal assemblies used for				
incidental accessory occupancy				
separations in buildings of Type				
IIB, IIIB and VB construction are				
not required to be fire-resistance				
rated unless required by other				
sections of this code.				
508.2.5.2 Nonfire-resistance-				
rated separation and				
protection. Where Table				
508.2.5 permits an automatic				
fire-extinguishing system without				
a fire barrier, the incidental				
accessory occupancies shall be				
separated from the remainder of				
the building by construction				
capable of resisting the passage				
of smoke. The walls shall extend				
from the top of the foundation or				
floor assembly below to the				
underside of the ceiling that is a				
component of a fire-resistance-				
rated floor assembly or roof				
assembly above or to the				
underside of the floor or roof				
sheathing, deck or slab above.				
Doors shall be self- or automatic				
closing upon detection of smoke				
in accordance with Section				
715.4.8.3. Doors shall not have				
air transfer openings and shall				
not be undercut in excess of the				

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clearance permitted in				
accordance with NFPA 80.				
Walls surrounding the incidental				
accessory occupancy shall not				
have air transfer openings				
unless provided with smoke				
dampers in accordance with				
Section 711.7.				
<b>508.2.5.3 Protection.</b> Except as				
specified in Table 508.2.5 for				
certain incidental accessory				
occupancies, where an				
automatic fire-extinguishing				
system or an automatic sprinkler				
system is provided in				
accordance with Table 508.2.5,				
only the space occupied by the				
incidental accessory occupancy				
need be equipped with such a				
system.				
508.3 Nonseparated				
occupancies. Buildings or				
portions of buildings that comply				
with the provisions of this				
section shall be considered as				
nonseparated occupancies.				
508.3.1 Occupancy				
classification. Nonseparated				
occupancies shall be individually				
classified in accordance with				
Section 302.1. The				
requirements of this code shall				
apply to each portion of the				
building based on the				

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occupancy classification of that				
space except that the most				
restrictive applicable provisions				
of Section 403 and Chapter 9				
shall apply to the building or				
portion thereof in which the				
nonseparated occupancies				
are located.				
508.3.2 Allowable building				
area and height. The allowable				
building area and height of the				
building or portion thereof shall				
be based on the most restrictive				
allowances for the occupancy				
groups under consideration for				
the type of construction of the				
building in accordance with				
Section503.1.				
508.3.3 Separation. No				
separation is required between				
nonseparated occupancies.				
Exceptions:				
1. Group H-2, H-3, H-4 and H-5				
occupancies shall be separated				
from all other occupancies in				
accordance with Section 508.4.				
2. Group I-1, R-1, R-2 and R-3				
dwelling units and sleeping units				
shall be separated from other				
dwelling or sleeping units and				
from other occupancies				
contiguous to them in				
accordance with the				
requirements of Section 420.				

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508.4 Separated occupancies.				
Buildings or portions of buildings				
that comply with the provisions				
of this section shall be				
considered as separated				
occupancies.				
508.4.1 Occupancy				
classification. Separated				
occupancies shall be individually				
classified in accordance with				
Section 302.1. Each separated				
space shall comply with this				
code based on the occupancy				
classification of that portion of				
the building.				
508.4.2 Allowable building				
area. In each story, the building				
area shall be such that the sum				
of the ratios of the actual				
building area of each separated				
occupancy divided by the				
allowable building area of each				
separated occupancy shall not				
exceed 1.				
<b>508.4.3 Allowable height.</b> Each				
separated occupancy shall				
comply with the building height				
limitations based on the type of				
construction of the building in				
accordance with Section 503.1.				
Exception: Special provisions				
permitted by Section 509.				
<b>508.4.4 Separation.</b> Individual				
occupancies shall be separated				

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from adjacent occupancies in accordance with Table 508.4.  508.4.4.1 Construction.  Required separations shall be fire barriers constructed in accordance with Section 707 or horizontal assemblies constructed in accordance with Section 712, or both, so as to completely separate adjacent occupancies.				
509.2 Horizontal building separation allowance. A building shall be considered as separate and distinct buildings for the purpose of determining area limitations, continuity of <i>fire walls</i> , limitation of number of stories and type of construction where all of the following conditions are met:  1. The buildings are separated with a horizontal assembly having a minimum 3-hour fireresistance rating.  2. The building below the horizontal assembly is no more than one story above grade plane.  3. The building below the horizontal assembly is of Type IA construction.  4. Shaft, stairway, ramp and escalator enclosures through	The 'pedestal' building standards revised and reformatted for clarity. A significant change is to allow Group R occupancies in the lower building as well as S-2, small A's, B and M.		NA NA	NA

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the horizontal assembly shall				
have not less than a 2-hour				
fire-resistance rating with				
opening protectives in				
accordance with Section 715.4.				
Exception: Where the				
enclosure walls below the				
horizontal assembly have not				
less than a 3-hour fire-				
resistance rating with opening				
protectives in accordance				
with Section 715.4, the				
enclosure walls extending above				
the horizontal assembly shall be				
permitted to have a 1-hour fire-				
resistance rating, provided:				
1. The building above the				
horizontal assembly is not				
required to be of Type I				
construction;				
2. The enclosure connects less				
than four stories; and				
3. The enclosure opening				
protectives above the <i>horizontal</i>				
assembly have a minimum 1-				
hour fire protection rating.				
5. The building or buildings				
above the horizontal assembly				
shall be permitted to have				
multiple Group A occupancy				
uses, each with an <i>occupant</i>				
load of less than 300, or				
Group B, M, R or S				
occupancies.				

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6. The building below the			With 2000 Cupplement	
horizontal assembly shall be				
protected throughout by an				
approved automatic sprinkler				
system in accordance with				
Section 903.3.1.1, and shall				
be permitted to be any of the				
following occupancies:				
6.1. Group S-2 parking garage				
used for the parking and storage				
of private motor vehicles;				
6.2. Multiple Group A, each with				
an occupant load of				
less than 300;				
6.3. Group B;				
6.4. Group M;				
6.5. Group R; and				
6.6. Uses incidental to the				
operation of the building				
(including entry lobbies,				
mechanical rooms, storage				
areas and similar uses).				
7. The maximum <i>building height</i>				
in feet (mm) shall not exceed				
the limits set forth in Section 503				
for the building having the				
smaller allowable height as				
measured from the <i>grade plane</i> .				
509.8 Group B or M with	'Reverse pedestal' buildings -		NA	NA
Group S-2 open parking	That being B and/or M on first			
garage.	story Parking above -also			
Group B or M occupancies	revised and reformatted for			
located no higher than the first	clarity.			
story above grade plane shall be				

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considered as a separate and				
distinct building for the purpose				
of determining the type of				
construction where all of the				
following conditions are met:				
1. The buildings are separated				
with a horizontal assembly				
having a minimum 2-hour fire-				
resistance rating.				
2. The occupancies in the				
building below the <i>horizontal</i>				
assembly are limited to Groups				
B and M.				
3. The occupancy above the				
horizontal assembly is limited to				
a Group S-2 open parking				
garage.				
4. The building below the				
horizontal assembly is of Type I				
or II construction but not less				
than the type of construction				
required for the Group S-2 open				
parking garage above.				
5. The height and area of the				
building below the horizontal				
assembly does not exceed the				
limits set forth in Section 503.				
6. The height and area of the				
Group S-2 open parking				
garage does not exceed the				
limits set forth in Section 406.3.				
The height, in both feet and				
stories, of the Group				
S-2 open parking garage shall				

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be measured from grade plane and shall include the building below the horizontal assembly.  7. Exits serving the Group S-2 open parking garage discharge directly to a street or public way and are separated from the building below the horizontal assembly by 2-hour fire barriers constructed in accordance with Section 707 or 2-hour horizontal assemblies constructed in accordance with Section 712, or				
both.				
Group S-2 parking garages. Where two or more buildings are provided above the horizontal assembly separating a Group S-2 open or closed parking garage from the buildings above in accordance with the special provisions in Sections 509.2, 509.3 or 509.8, the buildings above the horizontal assembly shall be regarded as separate and distinct buildings from each other and shall comply with all other provisions of this code as applicable to each separate and distinct building.	Clarifies that under 509.2, 509.3 and 509.8 you can have multiple 'buildings' above the separations on top of the same lower pedestal.		NA	NA
703.6 Marking and identification. Fire walls, fire barriers, fire partitions, smoke	New requirement for identifying fire walls, fire barriers, fire partitions, smoke barriers and		NA	NA

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barriers and smoke partitions or	smoke partitions with a mark			
any other wall required to have	indicating that openings need to			
protected openings or	be protected.			
penetrations shall be effectively				
and permanently identified with				
signs or stenciling. Such				
identification shall:				
Be located in accessible				
concealed floor, floor-ceiling or				
attic spaces;				
2. Be repeated at intervals not				
exceeding 30 feet (914 mm)				
measured horizontally along the				
wall or partition; and				
3. Include lettering not less than				
0.5 inch (12.7 mm) in				
height, incorporating the				
suggested wording: "FIRE				
AND/OR SMOKE BARRIER—				
PROTECT ALL				
OPENINGS," or other wording.				
<b>Exception:</b> Walls in Group R-2				
occupancies that do				
not have a removable				
decorative ceiling allowing				
access to the concealed space.				
<b>705.2 Projections.</b> Cornices,	Adds a method to determine	NO SIMULAR SECTIONS IN	NA	NA
eave overhangs, exterior	allowable exterior wall	NFPA		
balconies and similar projections	projections based on			
extending beyond the exterior	unprotected openings or the			
wall shall conform to the	installation of an automatic			
requirements of this section and	sprinkler system. Also, provides			
Section 1406. Exterior egress	for an allowance of unlimited			
balconies and exterior exit	projections for buildings that			

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stairways	qualify for buildings on the same			
shall also comply with Sections	lot.			
1019 and 1026, respectively.				
Projections shall not extend				
beyond the distance determined				
by the following three methods,				
whichever results in the lesser				
projection:				
1. A point one-third the distance				
from the exterior face of the wall				
to the <i>lot line</i> where protected				
openings or a combination of				
protected and unprotected				
openings are required in the				
exterior wall.				
2. A point one-half the distance				
from the exterior face of the wall				
to the <i>lot line</i> where all openings				
in the <i>exterior wall</i> are permitted				
to be unprotected or the building				
is equipped throughout with an				
automatic sprinkler system				
installed under the provisions of				
Section 705.8.2.				
3. More than 12 inches (305				
mm) into areas where openings				
are prohibited.				
Buildings on the same lot and				
considered as portions of one				
building in accordance with				
Section 705.3 are not required				
to comply with this section.				
705.5 Fire-resistance ratings.	Requires exterior walls to be	NO DIRECT SECTION IN	NA	There are no conflicts with
Exterior walls shall be	rated from both sides when	NFPA		NFPA 101 as defined for this

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fire-resistance rated in accordance with Tables 601 and 602 and this section. The required fire-resistance rating of exterior walls with a fire separation distance of greater than 10 feet (3048 mm) shall be rated for exposure to fire from the inside.  The required fire-resistance rating of exterior walls with a fire separation distance of less than or equal to 10 feet (3048 mm) shall be rated for exposure to fire from both sides.	located with a fire separation distance of less than or equal to 10 feet. This is an increase from the previous fire separation distance of less than or equal to of 5 feet.	7.2.2.5.2* Exposures. 7.2.2.5.2.1 Where nonrated walls or unprotected openings enclose the exterior of a stairway, other than an existing stairway, and the walls or openings are exposed by other parts of the building at an angle of less than 180 degrees, the building enclosure walls within 10 ft (3050 mm) horizontally of the nonrated wall or unprotected opening shall be constructed as required for stairway enclosures, including opening protectives. 7.2.2.5.2.2 Construction shall extend vertically from the finished ground level to a point 10 ft (3050 mm) above the topmost landing of the stairs or to the roofline, whichever is lower. 7.2.2.5.2.3 The fire resistance rating of the separation extending 10 ft (3050 mm) from the stairs shall not be required to exceed 1 hour where openings have a minimum 3/4-hour		project.

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		fire protection rating.		
706.8 Openings. Each opening through a <i>fire wall</i> shall be protected in accordance with Section 715.4 and shall not exceed 156 square feet (15 m2). The aggregate width of openings at any floor level shall not exceed 25 percent of the length of the wall.  Exceptions:  1. Openings are not permitted in party walls constructed in accordance with Section 706.1.1.  2. Openings shall not be limited to 156 square feet (15 m2) where both buildings are equipped throughout with an <i>automatic sprinkler system</i> installed in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1.	Increases the allowable individual opening size in a fire wall from 120 to 156 square feet.	NFPA 221, 8.3 Fire Barriers. 8.3.1 General. Fire barriers used to provide enclosure, subdivision, or protection under this <i>Code</i> shall be classified in accordance with one of the following fire resistance ratings: (1) 3-hour fire resistance rating (2) 2-hour fire resistance rating (3) 1-hour fire resistance rating (4)*1/2-hour fire resistance rating	There is no corresponding section instead of the fire barrier section.	There are no conflicts with NFPA 101 as defined for this project.
<ul> <li>708.2 Shaft enclosure</li> <li>required. Openings through a floor/ceiling assembly shall be protected by a shaft enclosure complying with this section.</li> <li>Exceptions:</li> <li>1. A shaft enclosure is not required for openings totally within an individual residential dwelling unit and connecting four stories or less.</li> <li>2. A shaft enclosure is not</li> </ul>	Adds two shaft enclosure exceptions: Elevator hoistways in open or enclosed parking garages that serve only the parking garage; mechanical exhaust or supply duct systems in open or enclosed parking garages when such duct system is contained within and serves only the parking garage	8.6.4.3 Shafts that do not extend to the bottom or top of the building or structure shall be permitted to be protected by approved fire dampers installed in accordance with their listing at the lowest or highest floor level, as applicable, within the shaft enclosure.  8.6.5* Required Fire Resistance Rating. The minimum fire	<ul> <li>708.2 Shaft enclosure</li> <li>required. Openings through a floor/ceiling assembly shall be protected by a shaft enclosure complying with this section.</li> <li>Exceptions:</li> <li>1. – 3. No change.</li> <li>4. A shaft enclosure is not required for penetrations by ducts protected in accordance with Section 716.6. Grease ducts shall be protected in</li> </ul>	There are no conflicts with NFPA 101 as defined for this project.

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required in a building		resistance rating for the	accordance with the	
equipped throughout with an		enclosure of floor openings shall	International Florida Building	
automatic sprinkler system in		be as	Code, Mechanical Code.	
accordance with Section		follows (see 7.1.3.2.1 for	[Remaining text no change.]	
903.3.1.1 for an escalator		enclosure of exits):		
opening or stairway that is not a		(1) Enclosures connecting four		
portion of the <i>means of egress</i>		or more stories in new		
protected according to Item 2.1		construction		
or 2.2.		— 2-hour fire barriers		
2.1. Where the area of the floor		(2) Other enclosures in new		
opening between stories does		construction—1-hour fire		
not exceed twice the horizontal		barriers		
projected area of the escalator		(3) Existing enclosures in		
or stairway and the opening is		existing buildings — 1/2-hour fire		
protected by a draft curtain and		barriers		
closely spaced sprinklers in		(4) Enclosures for lodging and		
accordance with NFPA 13. In		rooming houses — as specified		
other than Groups B and M, this		in Chapter 26		
application is limited to openings		(5) Enclosures for new hotels —		
that do not connect more than		as specified in Chapter 28		
four stories.		(6) Enclosures for new		
2.2. Where the opening is		apartment buildings—as		
protected by approved power-		specified in		
operated automatic shutters at		Chapter 308.6.6		
every penetrated floor. The		<b>Communicating Space.</b> Unless		
shutters shall be of		prohibited by Chapters 11		
noncombustible construction		through 43, unenclosed floor		
and have a fire-resistance rating		openings forming a		
of not less than 1.5 hours. The		communicating		
shutter shall be so constructed		space between floor levels shall		
as to close immediately upon		be permitted, provided that		
the actuation of a smoke		the following conditions are met:		
detector installed in accordance		(1) The communicating space		
with Section 907.3 and shall		does not connect more than		

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completely shut off the well		three contiguous stories.		
opening. Escalators shall cease		(2) The lowest or next-to-lowest		
operation when the shutter		story within the communicating		
begins to close. The		space is a street floor.		
shutter shall operate at a speed		(3) The entire floor area of the		
of not more than 30 feet per		communicating space is open		
minute (152.4 mm/s) and shall		and unobstructed, such that a		
be equipped with a sensitive		fire in any part of the space		
leading edge to arrest its		will be readily obvious to the		
progress where in contact with		occupants of the space prior		
any obstacle, and to continue its		to the time it becomes an		
progress on release there from.		occupant hazard.		
3. A shaft enclosure is not		(4) The communicating space is		
required for penetrations by		separated from the remainder		
pipe, tube, conduit, wire, cable		of the building by fire barriers		
and vents protected in		with not less than a 1-hour fire		
accordance with Section 713.4.		resistance rating, unless one of		
4. A shaft enclosure is not		the following is met:		
required for penetrations by		(a) In buildings protected		
ducts protected in accordance		throughout by an approved		
with Section 716.6.		automatic		
Grease ducts shall be protected		sprinkler system in accordance		
in accordance with the		with Section 9.7,		
International Mechanical Code.		a smoke barrier in accordance		
5. In other than Group H		with Section 8.5 shall be		
occupancies, a shaft enclosure		permitted to serve as the		
is not required for floor openings		separation required by		
complying with the provisions for		8.6.6(4).		
atriums in Section 404.		(b) The requirement of 8.6.6(4)		
6. A shaft enclosure is not		shall not apply to fully		
required for approved masonry		sprinklered residential housing		
chimneys where annular space		units of detention and		
is fireblocked at each floor level		correctional occupancies in		
in accordance with Section		accordance with 22.3.1(2)		

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717.2.5.		and 23.3.1.1(2).		
7. In other than Groups I-2 and		(5) The communicating space		
I-3, a shaft enclosure is not		has ordinary hazard contents		
required for a floor opening or		protected throughout by an		
an air transfer		approved automatic sprinkler		
opening that complies with the		system in accordance with		
following:		Section 9.7 or has only low		
7.1. Does not connect more		hazard contents. (See 6.2.2.)		
than two stories.		(6) Egress capacity is sufficient		
7.2. Is not part of the required		to allow all the occupants of		
means of egress system.		all levels within the		
7.3. Is not concealed within the		communicating space to		
construction of a wall or a		simultaneously		
floor/ceiling assembly.		egress the communicating		
7.4. Is not open to a corridor in		space by considering		
Group I and R occupancies.		it as a single floor area in		
7.5. Is not open to a <i>corridor</i> on		determining the required		
nonsprinklered floors in any		egress capacity.		
occupancy.		(7)*Each occupant within the		
7.6. Is separated from floor		communicating space has		
openings and air transfer		access		
openings serving other floors by		to not less than one exit without		
construction conforming to		having to traverse		
required shaft enclosures.		another story within the		
7.7. Is limited to the same		communicating space.		
smoke compartment.		(8) Each occupant not in the		
8. A shaft enclosure is not		communicating space has		
required for automobile		access to not less than one exit		
ramps in open and enclosed		without having to enter the		
parking garages constructed in		communicating space.		
accordance with Sections 406.3		36.3.1 Protection of Vertical		
and		<b>Openings.</b> Any vertical opening		
406.4, respectively.		shall be protected in accordance		
9. A shaft enclosure is not		with Section 8.6, except under		

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required for floor openings		the following conditions:		
between a <i>mezzanine</i> and the		(1) In Class A or Class B		
floor below.		mercantile occupancies		
10. A shaft enclosure is not		protected throughout by an		
required for joints protected by a		approved, supervised automatic		
fire-resistant joint system in		sprinkler system in accordance		
accordance with Section 714.		with 9.7.1.1(1), unprotected		
11. A shaft enclosure shall not		vertical openings shall be		
be required for floor openings		permitted at one of the following		
created by unenclosed stairs or		locations:		
ramps in accordance with		(a) Between any two floors		
Exception 3 or 4 in Section		(b) Among the street floor, the		
1016.1.		first adjacent floor below, and		
12. Floor openings protected by		the adjacent floor (or		
floor fire doors in accordance		mezzanine) above		
with Section 712.8.		(2) In Class C mercantile		
13. In Group I-3 occupancies, a		occupancies, unprotected		
shaft enclosure is not		openings shall be permitted		
required for floor openings in		between the street floor and the		
accordance with Section		mezzanine.		
408.5.		(3) The draft stop and closely		
14. A shaft enclosure is not		spaced sprinkler requirements		
required for elevator hoistways		of NFPA 13, Standard for the		
in open or enclosed parking		Installation of Sprinkler		
garages that serve only the		Systems, shall not be required		
parking garage.		for unenclosed vertical openings		
15. In open or enclosed parking		permitted in 36.3.1(1) and (2).		
garages a shaft enclosure is not				
required to enclose mechanical		38.3 Protection.		
exhaust or supply duct systems		38.3.1 Protection of Vertical		
when such duct system is		Openings.		
contained within and serves only		38.3.1.1 Vertical openings shall		
the parking garage.		be enclosed or protected in		
16. Where permitted by other		accordance with Section 8.6,		

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sections of this code.		unless otherwise permitted by one of the following: (1) Unenclosed vertical openings in accordance with 8.6.8.2 shall be permitted. (2) Exit access stairs in accordance with 38.2.4.6 shall be permitted to be unenclosed. 38.3.1.2 Floors that are below the street floor and are used for storage or other than a business occupancy shall have no unprotected openings to business occupancy floors.		
708.14.1 Elevator lobby. An enclosed elevator lobby shall be provided at each floor where an elevator shaft enclosure connects more than three stories. The lobby enclosure shall separate the elevator shaft enclosure doors from each floor by fire partitions. In addition to the requirements in Section 709 for fire partitions, doors protecting openings in the elevator lobby enclosure walls shall also comply with Section 715.4.3 as required for corridor walls and penetrations of the elevator lobby enclosure by ducts and air transfer openings shall be protected as required for corridors in accordance with	Adds requirements for doors, duct and air transfer openings through elevator lobby enclosure walls. Also adds an exception to the elevator lobby where the elevator serves only open parking garages in accordance with Section 406.3.		NA NA	NA NA

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Section 716.5.4.1. Elevator				
lobbies shall have at least one				
means of egress complying with				
Chapter 10 and other provisions				
within this code.				
Exceptions:				
1. Enclosed elevator lobbies are				
not required at the street floor,				
provided the entire street floor is				
equipped with an <i>automatic</i>				
sprinkler system in accordance				
with Section 903.3.1.1.				
2. Elevators not required to be				
located in a shaft in accordance				
with Section 708.2 are not				
required to have enclosed				
elevator lobbies.				
3. Enclosed elevator lobbies are				
not required where additional				
doors are provided at the				
hoistway opening in accordance				
with Section 3002.6. Such doors				
shall be tested in accordance				
with UL 1784 without an artificial				
bottom seal.				
4. Enclosed elevator lobbies are				
not required where				
the building is protected by an				
automatic sprinkler system				
installed in accordance with				
Section 903.3.1.1 or 903.3.1.2.				
This exception shall not apply to				
the following:				
4.1. Group I-2 occupancies;				

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4.2. Group I-3 occupancies; and				
4.3. High-rise buildings.				
5. Smoke partitions shall be				
permitted in lieu of fire partitions				
to separate the elevator lobby at				
each floor where the building is				
equipped throughout with an				
automatic sprinkler system				
installed in accordance with				
Section 903.3.1.1 or 903.3.1.2.				
In addition to the requirements				
in Section 711 for smoke				
partitions, doors protecting				
openings in the smoke partitions				
shall also comply with Sections				
711.5.2, 711.5.3, and 715.4.8				
and duct penetrations of the				
smoke partitions shall be				
protected as required for				
corridors in accordance with				
Section 716.5.4.1.				
6. Enclosed elevator lobbies are				
not required where				
the elevator hoistway is				
pressurized in accordance with				
Section 708.14.2.				
7. Enclosed elevator lobbies are				
not required where				
the elevator serves only open				
parking garages in accordance				
with Section 406.3.	Adda la caracte de 100 to 100		l NIA	
708.14.1.1 Areas of refuge.	Adds language to clarify that	7.2.12 Areas of Refuge.	NA	
Areas of refuge shall be	areas of refuge are required in	7.2.12.1 General.		
provided as required in Section	addition to the elevator lobby	<b>7.2.12.1.1</b> An area of refuge		

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1007.	requirements.	used as part of a required		
		accessible means of egress in		
		accordance with 7.5.4;		
		consisting of a story in a building		
		that is protected throughout by		
		an approved, supervised		
		automatic sprinkler system in		
		accordance with Section 9.7;		
		and having an accessible story		
		that is one or more stories		
		above or below a story of exit		
		discharge shall meet the		
		following criteria:		
		(1) Each elevator landing shall		
		be provided with a two-way		
		communication system for		
		communication between the		
		elevator landing and the fire		
		command center or a central		
		control point approved by the		
		authority having jurisdiction.		
		(2) Directions for the use of the		
		two-way communication system,		
		instructions for summoning		
		assistance via the two way		
		communication system, and		
		written identification of the		
		location shall be posted		
		adjacent to the two-way		
		communication system.		
		(3) The two-way communication		
		system shall include both		
		audible and visible signals.		
		<b>7.2.12.1.2</b> An area of refuge		

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		used as part of a required accessible means of egress in accordance with 7.5.4 in other than a building that is protected throughout by an approved, supervised automatic sprinkler system in accordance with Section 9.7 shall meet the following criteria:  (1) The area of refuge shall meet the general requirements of Section 7.1.  (2) The area of refuge shall meet the requirements of 7.2.12.2 and 7.2.12.3.		
708.14.2.2 Rational analysis. A rational analysis complying with Section 909.4 shall be submitted with the construction documents.	For elevator hoistway pressurization systems, this section introduces a new requirement for a rational analysis including stack effect, temperature effect, wind effect, HVAC systems, climate and duration of operation requirements (Section 909.4).		NA	NA
708.14.2.7 Special inspection. Special inspection for performance shall be required in accordance with Section 909.18.8. System acceptance shall be in accordance with Section 909.19.	This section introduces a new requirement for marking of detection and control systems for elevator hoistway pressurization systems.		NA	NA
708.14.2.8 Marking and identification. Detection and control systems shall be marked	This section introduces a new requirement for control diagrams for elevator hoistway		NA	NA

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in accordance with Section 909.14.	pressurization systems.			
708.14.2.9 Control diagrams. Control diagrams shall be provided in accordance with Section 909.15.	This section introduces a new requirement for control panels for elevator hoistway pressurization systems.		NA	NA
708.14.2.10 Control panel. A control panel complying with Section 909.16 shall be provided.	Requires the system response time for elevator hoistway pressurization systems to meet the same requirements as for smoke control systems.		NA	NA
712.4 Continuity. Assemblies shall be continuous without openings, penetrations or joints except as permitted by this section and Sections 708.2, 713.4, 714 and 1022.1. Skylights and other penetrations through a fire-resistance-rated roof deck or slab are permitted to be unprotected, provided that the structural integrity of the fire-resistance-rated roof assembly is maintained. Unprotected skylights shall not be permitted in roof assemblies required to be fire-resistance rated in accordance with Section 704.10. The supporting construction shall be protected to afford the required fire-resistance rating of the horizontal assembly supported.  Exception: In buildings of Type	Adds exceptions for the fire resistance rating of construction supporting horizontal assemblies for buildings of Type IIB, IIIB and VB construction to be consistent with those currently recognized for other fire resistance rated assemblies.		NA NA	NA NA

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IIB, IIIB or VB construction, the construction supporting the horizontal assembly is not required to be fire-resistance-rated at the following:  1. Horizontal assemblies at the separations of incidental uses as specified by Table 508.2.5, provided the required fire-resistance rating does not exceed 1 hour.  2. Horizontal assemblies at the separations of dwelling units and sleeping units as required by Section 420.3.  3. Horizontal assemblies at smoke barriers constructed				
in accordance with Section 710.  713.4.1.1.2 Throughpenetration firestop system.  Through penetrations shall be protected by an approved through-penetration firestop system installed and tested in accordance with ASTM E 814 or UL 1479, with a minimum positive pressure differential of 0.01 inch of water (2.49 Pa). The system shall have an Frating/T rating of not less than 1 hour but not less than the required rating of the floor penetrated. Exception: Floor penetrations contained and	Clarifies the exception as being applicable to penetrations within a wall above or below the horizontal assembly.	8.3.5.1* Firestop Systems and Devices Required. Penetrations for cables, cable trays, conduits, pipes, tubes, combustion vents and exhaust vents, wires, and similar items to accommodate electrical, mechanical, plumbing, and communications systems that pass through a wall, floor, or floor/ceiling assembly constructed as a fire barrier shall be protected by a firestop system or device.	NA	There are no conflicts with NFPA 101 as defined for this project.

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located within the cavity of a		The firestop system or device		
wall above the floor or below the		shall be tested in accordance		
floor do not require a T rating.		with		
		ASTM E 814, Standard Test		
		Method for Fire Tests of		
		Through Penetration Fire Stops,		
		or ANSI/UL 1479, Standard for		
		Fire Tests of Through-		
		Penetration Firestops, at a		
		minimum positive pressure		
		differential of 0.01 in. water		
		column (2.5 N/m2) between the		
		exposed and the unexposed		
		surface of the test assembly.		
713.4.1.2 Membrane	Adds an exception for	<b>8.3.5.6.1</b> Membrane	NA	
penetrations. Penetrations of	penetrations of any size	penetrations for cables, cable		
membranes that are part of a	electrical box installed in	trays, conduits, pipes, tubes,		
horizontal assembly shall	accordance with its listing.	combustion vents and exhaust		
comply with Section 713.4.1.1.1		vents, wires, and similar items to		
or 713.4.1.1.2. Where		accommodate electrical,		
floor/ceiling assemblies are		mechanical, plumbing, and		
required to have a fire-		communications systems that		
resistance rating, recessed		pass through a membrane of a		
fixtures shall be installed such		wall, floor, or floor/ceiling		
that the required fire resistance		assembly constructed as a fire		
will not be reduced.		barrier shall be protected by a		
Exceptions:		firestop system or device and		
1. Membrane penetrations by		shall comply with 8.3.5.1		
steel, ferrous or copper		through 8.3.5.5.2.		
conduits, pipes, tubes or vents,		<b>8.3.5.6.2</b> The firestop system or		
or concrete or masonry items		device shall be tested in		
where the annular space is		accordance with ASTM E 814,		
protected either in accordance		Standard Test Method for Fire		
with Section 713.4.1.1 or to		Tests of Through Penetration		

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prevent the free passage of		Fire Stops, or ANSI/UL 1479,		
flame and the products of		Standard for Fire Tests of		
combustion. The aggregate area		Through-Penetration Firestops,		
of the openings through the		at a minimum positive pressure		
membrane shall not exceed 100		differential of 0.01 in. water		
square inches (64 500 mm2) in		column (2.5 N/m2) between		
any 100 square feet (9.3 m2) of		the exposed and the unexposed		
ceiling area in assemblies tested		surface of the test assembly		
without penetrations.		unless one of the following		
2. Ceiling membrane		applies:		
penetrations of maximum 2-hour		(1) Membrane penetrations of		
horizontal assemblies by steel		ceilings that are not an integral		
electrical boxes that do not		part of a fire resistance-rated		
exceed 16 square inches (10		floor/ceiling or roof/ ceiling		
323 mm2) in area, provided the		assembly shall be permitted.		
aggregate area of such		(2) Membrane penetrations of		
penetrations does not exceed		steel, ferrous, or copper		
100 square inches (44 500		conduits, and pipes, tubes, or		
mm2) in any 100 square feet		combustion vents or exhaust		
(9.29 m2) of ceiling area, and		vents, shall be permitted where		
the annular space between the		the annular space is protected		
ceiling membrane and the box		with an approved material and		
does not exceed 1/8 inch (3.2		the aggregate area of the		
mm).		openings does not exceed 0.7		
3. Membrane penetrations by		ft2(0.06 m2) in any 100 ft2 (9.3		
electrical boxes of any size or		m2) of ceiling area.		
type, which have been listed as		(3) Electrical outlet boxes and		
part of an opening protective		fittings shall be permitted,		
material system for use in		provided that such devices are		
horizontal assemblies and are		listed for use in fire resistance-		
installed in accordance with the		rated assemblies and are		
instructions included in the		installed in accordance		
listing.		with their listing.		
4. Membrane penetrations by		(4) The annular space created		

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listed electrical boxes of any		by the membrane penetration		
material, provided such boxes		of a fire sprinkler shall be		
have been tested for use in fire-		permitted,		
resistance-rated assemblies and		<b>8.3.5.6.3</b> Where walls or		
are installed in accordance with		partitions are required to have a		
the instructions included in the		minimum 1-hour fire resistance		
listing. The annular space		rating, recessed fixtures shall		
between the ceiling membrane		be installed in the wall or		
and the box shall not exceed 1/8		partition in such a manner that		
inch (3.2 mm) unless listed		the required fire resistance is		
otherwise.		not reduced, unless one of the		
5. The <i>annular space</i> created by		following is met:		
the penetration of		(1) Any steel electrical box not		
a fire sprinkler, provided it is		exceeding 0.1 ft2 (0.01m2) shall		
covered by a metal escutcheon		be permitted where the		
plate.		aggregate area of the openings		
		provided for the boxes does not		
		exceed 0.7 ft2 (0.06 m2) in any		
		100 ft2 (9.3 m2) of wall area,		
		and, where outlet boxes are		
		installed on opposite sides of		
		the wall, the boxes shall be		
		separated by one of the		
		following:		
		(a) Horizontal distance of not		
		less than 24 in. (610 mm)		
		(b) Horizontal distance of not		
		less than the depth of the		
		wall cavity, where the wall cavity		
		is filled with cellulose loose-fill,		
		rock wool, or slag wool		
		insulation		
		(c)*Solid fireblocking		
		(d) Other listed materials and		

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		methods (2) Membrane penetrations for any listed electrical outlet box made of any material shall be permitted, provided that such boxes have been tested for use in fire resistance—rated assemblies and are installed in accordance with the instructions included in the listing.		
714.1 General. Joints installed in or between fire-resistance-rated walls, floor or floor/ceiling assemblies and roofs or roof/ceiling assemblies shall be protected by an approved fire-resistant joint system designed to resist the passage of fire for a time period not less than the required fire-resistance rating of the wall, floor or roof in or between which it is installed. Fire-resistant joint systems shall be tested in accordance with Section 714.3. The void created at the intersection of a floor/ceiling assembly and an exterior curtain wall assembly shall be protected in accordance with Section 714.4.  Exception: Fire-resistant joint systems shall not be required for joints in all of the following locations:	Adds an exception for fire-resistant joint systems in floors and ramps of enclosed parking garages.		NA NA	NA NA

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1. Floors within a single <i>dwelling</i>			with 2003 Supplement	
unit.				
2. Floors where the joint is				
protected by a shaft enclosure in				
accordance with Section 708.				
3. Floors within atriums where				
the space adjacent to the atrium				
is included in the volume of the				
atrium for smoke control				
purposes. 4. Floors within malls.				
5. Floors and ramps within open				
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and enclosed parking garages or structures				
constructed in accordance with				
Sections 406.3 and 406.4,				
respectively.				
6. <i>Mezzanine</i> floors.				
7. Walls that are permitted to				
have unprotected openings.				
8. Roofs where openings are				
permitted.				
9. Control joints not exceeding a				
maximum width of				
0.625 inch (15.9 mm) and tested				
in accordance with				
ASTM E 119 or UL 263.	Add to the second of the secon		NIA.	DIA.
714.4.1 Exterior curtain	Adds requirements for the		NA	NA
wall/nonfire-resistance-rated	sealing of voids between an			
floor assembly intersections.	exterior curtain wall & non fire-			
Voids created at the intersection	resistance rated floor			
of exterior curtain wall	assemblies.			
assemblies and nonfire-				
resistance rated floor or				

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floor/ceiling assemblies shall be				
sealed with an approved				
material or system to retard the				
interior spread of fire and hot				
gases between stories.				
704.13.1 Fire-resistance	New requirements addressing	NO EQUIVILENT SECTION IN	NA	NA
rating. The application of SFRM	SFRM including fire-resistance	NFPA		
shall be consistent with the fire-	rating, installation instructions,	8.2.3 Fire Resistance–Rated		
resistance rating and the listing,	substrate condition, and finished	Construction.		
including, but not limited to,	condition.	8.2.3.1* The fire resistance of		
minimum thickness and dry		structural elements and building		
density of the applied SFRM,		assemblies shall be determined		
method of application, substrate		in accordance with test		
surface conditions and the use		procedures		
of bonding adhesives, sealants,		set forth in NFPA 251, Standard		
reinforcing or other materials.		Methods of Tests of Fire		
704.13.2 Manufacturer's		Resistance		
installation instructions. The application of SFRM shall be in		of Building Construction and Materials; ASTM E 119,		
accordance with the		Standard		
manufacturer's installation		Test Methods for Fire Tests of		
instructions. The instructions		Building Construction and		
shall include, but are not limited		Materials; or		
to, substrate temperatures and		ANSI/UL 263, Standard for Fire		
surface conditions and SFRM		Tests of Building Construction		
handling, storage, mixing,		and		
conveyance, method of		Materials, or other approved test		
application, curing and		methods, or analytical methods		
ventilation.		approved by the authority		
704.13.3 Substrate condition.		having jurisdiction. Materials		
The SFRM shall be applied to a		used to		
substrate in compliance with		construct fire resistance-rated		
Sections 704.13.3.1 through		elements and assemblies shall		
704.13.3.2.		be		

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704.13.3.1 Surface conditions.		limited to those permitted in this		
Substrates to receive		Code.		
SFRM shall be free of dirt, oil,				
grease, release agents, loose		10.2.6* Fire-Retardant		
scale and any other condition		Coatings.		
that prevents adhesion.		10.2.6.1* The required flame		
The substrates shall also be free		spread or smoke development		
of primers, paints and		classification of existing		
encapsulants other than those		surfaces of walls, partitions,		
fire tested and <i>listed</i> by a		columns,		
nationally recognized testing		and ceilings shall be permitted		
agency. Primed, painted or		to be secured by applying		
encapsulated steel shall be		approved		
allowed, provided that testing		fire-retardant coatings to		
has demonstrated that required		surfaces having higher flame		
adhesion is maintained.		spread ratings than permitted.		
704.13.3.2 Primers, paints and		Such treatments shall be		
encapsulants. Where the		tested, or shall be listed and		
SFRM is to be applied over		labeled for application to the		
primers, paints or encapsulants		material to which they are		
other than those specified in the		applied, and shall comply with		
listing, the material shall be field		the		
tested in accordance with		requirements of NFPA 703,		
ASTME 736. Where testing of		Standard for Fire Retardant-		
the SFRM with primers, paints		Treated		
or encapsulants demonstrates		Wood and Fire-Retardant		
that required adhesion is		Coatings for Building Materials.		
maintained, SFRM shall be		10.2.6.2 Fire-retardant coatings		
permitted to be applied to		shall possess the desired		
primed, painted or		degree		
encapsulated wide flange steel		of permanency and shall be		
shapes in accordance with the		maintained so as to retain		
following conditions:		the effectiveness of the		
1. The beam flange width does		treatment under the service		

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not exceed 12 inches		conditions		
(305 mm); or2. The column		encountered in actual use.		
flange width does not exceed 16				
inches (400 mm); or				
3. The beam or column web				
depth does not exceed 16				
inches (400 mm).				
4. The average and minimum				
bond strength values				
shall be determined based on a				
minimum of five				
bond tests conducted in				
accordance with ASTM E				
736. Bond tests conducted in				
accordance with ASTM E 736				
shall indicate a minimum				
average bond strength of 80				
percent and a minimum				
individual bond strength of 50				
percent, when compared to the				
bond strength of the SFRM as				
applied to clean uncoated 1/8-				
inch-thick (3-mm) steel plate.				
704.13.4 Temperature. A				
minimum ambient and substrate				
temperature of 40°F (4.44°C)				
shall be maintained during and				
for a minimum of 24 hours after				
the application of the SFRM,				
unless the manufacturer's				
installation instructions allow				
otherwise.				
704.13.5 Finished condition.				
The finished condition of SFRM				

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applied to structural members or assemblies shall not, upon complete drying or curing, exhibit cracks, voids, spalls, delamination or any exposure of the substrate. Surface irregularities of SFRM shall be deemed acceptable.				
715.4.5 Fire door frames with transom lights and sidelights. Door frames with transom lights, sidelights, or both, shall be permitted where a 3/4-hour fire protection rating or less is required in accordance with Table 715.4. Where a fire protection rating exceeding 3/4-hour is required in accordance with Table 715.4, fire door frames with transom lights, sidelights, or both, shall be permitted where installed with fire-resistance-rated glazing tested as an assembly in accordance with ASTM E119 or UL 263.	New section addressing opening protective requirements for fire door frames with transom lights and sidelights.		NA	NA
TABLE 115.5   FIRE WINDOW ASSEMBLY FIRE PROTECTION RATINGS	Adds requirements for window assembly ratings in ½ hour rated fire partitions.		NA	NA

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715.5.3 Safety glazing. Fire-protection-rated glazing installed in <i>fire window</i> assemblies in areas subject to human impact in hazardous locations shall comply with Chapter 24.	Adds language to clarify that requirements for safety glazing are in addition to the fire protected rated glazing requirements.		NA	NA
716.5.1.1 Horizontal exits. A listed smoke damper designed to resist the passage of smoke shall be provided at each point a duct or air transfer opening penetrates a fire wall that serves as a horizontal exit.	New requirement for smoke dampers at duct or air transfer openings in fire walls that serve as horizontal exits.		NA	NA
716.5.2 Fire barriers. Ducts and air transfer openings of fire barriers shall be protected with approved fire dampers installed in accordance with their listing. Ducts and air transfer openings shall not penetrate exit enclosures and exit passageways except as permitted by Sections 1022.4 and 1023.6, respectively.  Exception: Fire dampers are not required at penetrations of fire barriers where any of the following apply:  1. Penetrations are tested in accordance with ASTM E 119 or UL 263 as part of the fire-resistance-rated assembly.	New requirement for smoke dampers at duct or air transfer openings in fire barriers that serve as horizontal exits.		NA	NA .
716.5.3 Shaft enclosures.	New exception added for fire		NA	NA

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Shaft enclosures that are	dampers or fire/smoke dampers			
permitted to be penetrated by	in kitchen and clothes dryer			
ducts and air transfer openings	exhaust systems.			
shall be protected with approved	,			
fire and smoke dampers				
installed in accordance with their				
listing.				
Exceptions:				
1. Fire dampers are not required				
at penetrations of				
shafts where:				
1.1. Steel exhaust subducts are				
extended at				
least 22 inches (559 mm)				
vertically in exhaust shafts,				
provided there is a continuous				
airflow upward to the outside; or				
1.2. Penetrations are tested in				
accordance with				
ASTM E 119 or UL 263 as part				
of the fire-resistance-rated				
assembly; or				
1.3. Ducts are used as part of				
an approved smoke control				
system designed and installed in				
accordance with Section 909				
and where the fire damper will				
interfere with the operation of				
the smoke control system; or				
1.4. The penetrations are in				
parking garage exhaust or				
supply shafts that are separated				
from other building shafts by not				
less than 2-hour fire-resistance-				

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rated construction.				
2. In Group B and R				
occupancies equipped				
throughout with an automatic				
sprinkler system in accordance				
with Section 903.3.1.1, smoke				
dampers are not required at				
penetrations of shafts where:				
2.1. Kitchen, clothes dryer,				
bathroom and toilet room				
exhaust openings are installed				
with steel exhaust subducts,				
having a minimum wall				
thickness of 0.187-inch (0.4712				
mm) (No. 26 gage);				
2.2. The subducts extend at				
least 22 inches (559 mm)				
vertically; and 2.3. An exhaust				
fan is installed at the upper				
terminus of the shaft that is				
powered continuously in				
accordance with the provisions				
of Section 909.11, so as to				
maintain a continuous upward				
airflow to the outside.				
3. Smoke dampers are not				
required at penetration of				
exhaust or supply shafts in				
parking garages that are				
separated from other building				
shafts by not less than 2-hour				
fire-resistance-rated				
construction.				
4. Smoke dampers are not				

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required at penetrations of shafts where ducts are used as part of an approved mechanical smoke control system designed in accordance with Section 909 and where the smoke damper will interfere with the operation of the smoke control system.  5. Fire dampers and combination fire/smoke dampers are not required in kitchen and clothes dryer exhaust systems when installed in accordance with the International Mechanical Code.				
716.5.6 Exterior walls. Ducts and air transfer openings in fire-resistance-rated exterior walls required to have protected openings in accordance with Section 705.10 shall be protected with listed fire dampers installed in accordance with their listing.	New section with requirements specific to duct and air transfer openings through exterior walls that are required to have protected openings.		NA	NA
716.5.7 Smoke partitions. A listed smoke damper designed to resist the passage of smoke shall be provided at each point that an air transfer opening penetrates a smoke partition. Smoke dampers and smoke damper actuation methods shall comply with Section 716.3.3.2. Exception: Where the	New section with requirements specific to the installation of smoke dampers in smoke partitions.		NA	NA

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installation of a smoke damper will interfere with the operation of a required smoke control system in accordance with Section 909, approved alternative protection shall be				
716.6.2.1 Ceiling radiation dampers. Ceiling radiation dampers shall be tested as part of a fire-resistance-rated floor/ceiling or roof/ceiling assembly in accordance with ASTME 119 or UL263. Ceiling radiation dampers shall be installed in accordance with the details listed in the fire-resistance-rated assembly and the manufacturer's installation instructions and the listing. Ceiling radiation dampers are not required where either of the following applies:  1. Tests in accordance with ASTM E 119 or UL 263 have shown that ceiling radiation dampers are not necessary in order to maintain the fire-resistance rating of the assembly.  2. Where exhaust duct penetrations are protected in accordance with Section 713.4.1.2, are located within the	Adds new option for compliance of ceiling radiation dampers based on testing in accordance with ASTM E119 or UL 263.		NA NA	NA NA

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cavity of a wall and do not pass through another <i>dwelling unit</i> or tenant space.				
717.2.1.3 Loose-fill insulation material. Loose-fill insulation material, insulating foam sealants and caulk materials shall not be used as a fireblock unless specifically tested in the form and manner intended for use to demonstrate its ability to remain in place and to retard the spread of fire and hot gases.	Allows insulating foam sealants and caulk materials to be recognized as fireblocking materials when specifically tested in the form and manner intended for use.		NA	NA
803.1.4 Acceptance criteria for textile and expanded vinyl wall or ceiling coverings tested to ASTM E 84 or UL 723. Textile wall and ceiling coverings and expanded vinyl wall and ceiling coverings shall have a Class A flame spread index in accordance with ASTM E 84 or UL 723 and be protected by an automatic sprinkler system installed in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1 or 903.3.1.2. Test specimen preparation and mounting shall be in accordance with ASTM E 2404.	Adds new test standard (ASTM E2404) for the test specimen preparation and mounting when testing for flame spread index in accordance with ASTM E84 or UL 723.		NA	NA
803.12 High-density polyethylene (HDPE). Where	New section requiring HDPE to be tested in accordance with		NA	NA

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high-density polyethylene is used as an <i>interior finish</i> , it shall comply with the requirements of Section 803.1.2.	NFPA 286 and to meet specific acceptance criteria.			
803.13 Site-fabricated stretch systems. Where used as interior wall or interior ceiling finish materials, site-fabricated stretch systems shall be tested in the manner intended for use, and shall comply with the requirements of Section 803.1.1 or 803.1.2. If the materials are tested in accordance with ASTM E 84 or UL 723, specimen preparation and mounting shall be in accordance with ASTM E 2573.	New section containing requirements for site-fabricated stretch systems use as interior wall or ceiling finish materials.		NA	NA
[F] SECTION 806 DECORATIVE MATERIALS AND TRIM [F] 806.1 General requirements. In occupancies in Groups A, E, I and R-1 and dormitories in Group R-2, curtains, draperies, hangings and other decorative materials suspended from walls or ceilings shall meet the flame propagation performance criteria of NFPA 701 in accordance with Section 806.2 or be noncombustible. In Groups I-1 and I-2, combustible decorative	New section requiring interior floor-wall base 6 inches or less in height to comply with the requirements for interior floor finish material.		NA	NA

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materials shall meet the flame				
propagation criteria of NFPA				
701 unless the <i>decorative</i>				
materials, including, but not				
limited to, photographs and				
paintings, are of such limited				
quantities that a hazard of fire				
development or spread is not				
present. In Group I-3,				
combustible decorative				
materials are prohibited.				
Fixed or movable walls and				
partitions, paneling, wall pads				
and crash pads applied				
structurally or for decoration,				
acoustical correction, surface				
insulation or other purposes				
shall be considered interior				
finish if they cover 10 percent or				
more of the wall or of the ceiling				
area, and shall not be				
considered decorative materials				
or furnishings. In Group B and M				
occupancies, fabric partitions				
suspended from the ceiling and				
not supported by the floor shall				
meet the flame propagation				
performance criteria in				
accordance with Section 806.2				
and NFPA 701 or shall be				
noncombustible.				
[F] 806.1.1 Noncombustible				
materials. The permissible				
amount of noncombustible				

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decorative material shall not be				
limited.				
[F] 806.1.2 Combustible				
decorative materials. The				
permissible amount of				
decorative materials meeting the				
flame propagation performance				
criteria of NFPA 701 shall not				
exceed 10 percent of the				
specific wall or ceiling area to				
which it is attached.				
Exceptions:				
1. In auditoriums in Group A, the				
permissible amount of				
decorative material meeting the				
flame propagation performance				
criteria of NFPA 701 shall not				
exceed 75 percent of the				
aggregate wall area where the				
building is equipped throughout				
with an <i>automatic sprinkler</i>				
system in accordance with				
Section 903.3.1.1 and where the				
material is installed in				
accordance with Section 803.11.				
2. The amount of fabric				
partitions suspended from				
the ceiling and not supported by				
the floor in Group B and M				
occupancies shall not be limited.				
[F] 806.2 Acceptance criteria				
and reports. Where required				
by Section 806.1, decorative				
materials shall be tested by an				

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agency and meet the flame				
propagation performance criteria				
of NFPA 701 or such materials				
shall be noncombustible.				
Reports of test results shall be				
prepared in accordance with				
NFPA 701 and furnished to the				
building official upon request.				
[F] 806.3 Foam plastic. Foam				
plastic used as <i>trim</i> in any				
occupancy shall comply with				
Section 2604.2.				
[F] 806.4 Pyroxylin plastic.				
Imitation leather or other				
material consisting of or coated				
with a pyroxylin or similarly				
hazardous base shall not be				
used in Group A occupancies.				
<b>[F] 806.5 Interior trim.</b> Material,				
other than foam plastic used				
as interior trim, shall have a				
minimum Class C flame spread				
and smoke-developed index				
when tested in accordance with				
ASTM E 84 or UL 723, as				
described in Section 803.1.1.				
Combustible <i>trim</i> , excluding				
handrails and guardrails, shall				
not exceed 10 percent of the				
specific wall or ceiling area in				
which it is attached.				
[F] 806.6 Interior floor-wall				
base. Interior floor-wall base				
that is 6 inches (152 mm) or less				

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in height shall be tested in accordance with Section 804.2 and shall not be less than Class II. Where a Class I floor finish is required, the floor-wall base shall be Class I.  Exception: Interior trim materials that comply with Section 806.5.  [F] 903.2.3 Group E. An automatic sprinkler system shall be provided for Group E occupancies as follows:	The fire area threshold limit for the installation of an automatic sprinkler system was reduced from 20,000 square feet to	2009 NFPA Text	903.2. 3 Group E. An automatic sprinkler system shall be provided for Group E occupancies as follows:	NA
<ol> <li>Throughout all Group E fire areas greater than</li> <li>12,000 square feet (1115 m2) in area.</li> <li>Throughout every portion of educational buildings below the lowest level of exit discharge serving that portion of the building.</li> <li>Exception: An automatic sprinkler system is not required in any area below the lowest</li> </ol>	12,000 square feet which now treats the fire hazards associated with Group E occupancies equally with other occupancies with similar fuel loads and hazards such as Group F-1, S-1, and M occupancies. The requirement for the installation of an automatic sprinkler system at a lower threshold will allow design professionals to take advantage		1 – 2 No change  Exception: An automatic fire sprinkler system is not required in existing educational buildings unless 50 percent of the aggregate area of the building is being remodeled.	
level of exit discharge serving that area where every classroom throughout the building has at least one exterior exit door at ground level.  [F] 903.2.7 Group M. An automatic sprinkler system shall be provided throughout buildings containing a Group M	of IBC and IFC-permitted trade- ups and credits, which should reduce the cost per square foot of constructing Group E occupancies.  A new 4th sprinkler trigger condition has been added in the interest of making upholstered furniture retail and warehouse		NA	NA

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occupancy where one of the	facilities safer for employees,			
following conditions exists:	customers and first responders.			
1. A Group M fire area exceeds	It will require sprinklers for			
12,000 square feet (1115 m2).	Group M occupancies displaying			
2. A Group M fire area is located	and selling upholstered furniture			
more than three stories above	and recognizes that, under			
grade plane.	certain circumstances,			
3. The combined area of all	upholstered furniture will ignite			
Group M fire areas on all	and contribute significantly to			
floors, including any	the fuel load of a fire. The code			
mezzanines, exceeds 24,000	change was submitted jointly by			
square feet (2230 m2).	the American Home Furnishings			
4. A Group M occupancy is used	Alliance (AHFA) and the			
for the display and sale of	National Home Furnishings			
upholstered furniture.	Association (NHFA) because			
	materials and constructions			
	touted as more fire resistant			
	have not proven to be so to the			
	satisfaction of fire authorities.			
	The U.S. Consumer Product			
	Safety Commission (CPSC) has			
	tested furniture with combustion			
	modified polyurethane foam and			
	found that such foam does not			
	meaningfully improve fire			
	performance when furniture is			
	exposed to an open flame.			
	Therefore, sprinklers are viewed			
	as a reasonable mitigation			
	strategy for these products.			
[F] 903.2.10 Group S-2	The section has been revised to		NA	NA
enclosed parking garages. An	address an inconsistency in the			
automatic sprinkler system shall	IFC with respect to sprinkler			
be provided throughout	thresholds for Group S-1 and S-			

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buildings classified as enclosed	2 occupancies. In the 2006 IFC			
parking garages in accordance	Section 903.2.8 there are fire			
with Section 406.4 as follows:	area size-based sprinkler			
1. Where the fire area of the	thresholds established for S-1			
enclosed parking garage	occupancies. However, in			
exceeds 12,000 square feet	Section 903.2.9 there was no			
(1115 m2); or	square footage threshold for			
2. Where the enclosed parking	Group S-2 enclosed parking			
garage is located beneath	garages; they all required			
other groups.	sprinklers regardless of square			
Exception: Enclosed parking	footage. Then, Section			
garages located beneath Group	903.2.9.1 brought back in a			
R-3 occupancies.	square footage threshold for			
[F] 903.2.10.1 Commercial	commercial parking garages. So			
parking garages. An automatic	in the 2006 IFC, the sprinkler			
sprinkler system shall be	requirements for S-2 enclosed			
provided throughout buildings	parking garages were the most			
used for storage of commercial	restrictive of the Group S			
trucks or buses where the fire	occupancies, yet they are the			
area exceeds 5,000 square feet	least hazardous use. It			
(464 m2).	appeared then, that a square			
	footage threshold was "missing"			
	in IFC Section 903.2.9,			
	supported by the IFC			
	Commentary which stated that it			
	was not the intent for enclosed			
	parking garage sprinkler			
	requirements to be more			
	restrictive than a repair garage.			
	Accordingly, the revision			
	establishes a sprinkler threshold			
	for S-2 parking garages that is			
	similar to S-1 occupancies.			
SECTION 907	A series of code changes		NA	NA

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FIRE ALARM AND	revised and reformatted the			
DETECTION SYSTEMS	arrangement of the fire alarm			
[F] 907.1 General. This section	and detection system			
covers the application,	requirements in Section 907.			
installation, performance and	When the 2000 IFC was			
maintenance of fire alarm	published, Section 907 was			
systems and their components.	made up from various			
[F] 907.1.1 Construction	requirements found in the			
documents. Construction	legacy National, Standard and			
documents for fire alarm	Uniform fire codes and, as a			
systems shall be of sufficient	result was one of the more			
clarity to indicate the location,	difficult sections to apply			
nature and extent of the work	because of the various			
proposed and show in detail that	inconsistencies and lack of clear			
it will conform to the provisions	provisions based on the			
of this code, the <i>International</i>	occupancy classification of a			
Fire Code, and relevant laws,	building. The series of code			
ordinances, rules and	changes streamlined the			
regulations, as determined by	requirements for fire alarm and			
the fire code official.	detection systems and provide			
[F] 907.1.2 Fire alarm shop	greater consistency between the			
drawings. Shop drawings for	IFC and the 2007 edition of			
fire alarm systems shall be	NFPA 72. Because of the			
submitted for review and	rearrangement of the			
approval prior to system	requirements for fire alarm and			
installation, and shall include,	detection systems, a major			
but not be limited to, all of the	improvement is that they now			
following:	clearly stipulate when occupant			
1. A floor plan that indicates the	notification is required. Previous			
use of all rooms.	code commentaries and formal			
2. Locations of alarm-initiating	interpretations have stated that			
devices.	the installation of alarm			
3. Locations of alarm notification	signaling devices was			
appliances, including candela	necessary for occupant			

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ratings for visible alarm	notification, however the IFC		with 2003 Supplement	
notification	never directly stated this as a			
appliances.	requirement.			
4. Location of fire alarm control	requirement.			
unit, transponders and				
notification power supplies.				
5. Annunciators.				
6. Power connection.				
7. Battery calculations.				
8. Conductor type and sizes.				
9. Voltage drop calculations. 10.				
Manufacturers' data sheets				
indicating model numbers				
and listing information for				
equipment, devices and				
materials.				
11. Details of ceiling height and				
construction.				
12. The interface of fire safety				
control functions.				
13. Classification of the				
supervising station.				
[F] 907.1.3 Equipment.				
Systems and components shall				
be <i>listed</i> and <i>approved</i> for the				
purpose for which they are				
installed.				
913.2.1 Protection of fire	A new section requires fire		NA	NA
pump rooms. Fire pumps shall	pumps to be located in a fire-			
be located in rooms that are	resistive room separated using			
separated from all other areas of	fire barriers or horizontal			
the building by 2-hour fire	assemblies, or both, when the			
barriers constructed in	pump is located inside of a			
accordance with Section 707 or	building or by using spatial			

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2-hour horizontal assemblies constructed in accordance with Section 712, or both.  Exceptions:  1. In other than high-rise buildings, separation by 1-hour fire barriers constructed in accordance with Section 707 or 1-hour horizontal assemblies constructed in accordance with Section 712, or both, shall be permitted in buildings equipped throughout with an automatic sprinkler system in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1 or 903.3.1.2.  2. Separation is not required for fire pumps physically separated	separation (physical distance) when the fire pump is located outside of the building it serves.			
in accordance with NFPA 20.  BLEACHERS. Tiered seating supported on a dedicated structural system and two or more rows high and is not a building element (see "Grandstands").  FOLDING AND TELESCOPIC SEATING. Tiered seating having an overall shape and size that is capable of being reduced for purposes of moving or storing and is not a building element.	Revise definition of "Bleachers", "Folding and Telescopic Seating" and "Grandstands" – The definitions were revised to clarify when ICC 300 is applicable (see Section 1028.1). ICC 300 is limited to items that are separated, independent structures that are not "building elements" (as defined in Chapter 7). The ICC 300 is not intended to be utilized for single row seating that is supported directly by the floor system.			NA
EXIT ACCESS DOORWAY. A	Add definition of "exit access			NA

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door or access point along the path of egress travel from an occupied room, area or space where the path of egress enters an intervening room, corridor, unenclosed exit access stair or unenclosed exit access ramp.	doorway" – Exit access doorways are an important element in the exit access portion of a means of egress, including arrangement, number, opening protection, separation and exit sign placement. The term is inclusive of specific points in the means of egress which may not include a 'doorway' such as when an unenclosed exit access stairway			
EXIT DISCHARGE, LEVEL OF. The story at the point at which an exit terminates and an exit discharge begins.	is used in the egress path.  Revise definition of 'Exit Discharge, Level of' – The definition was revised to clarify that the Level of Exit Discharge is a volume and not a horizontal plane, therefore, the Level of Exit Discharge is the story where the occupants leave the building and proceed to the public way. This interpretation is consistent with NFPA 101.			NA
<b>FLIGHT.</b> A continuous run of rectangular treads, <i>winders</i> or combination thereof from one landing to another.	Add new definition for 'flight' – The definition is needed to clarify that a flight of stairs is from one landing to another, so that a 'stairway' may consist of one or more 'flights' between stories, depending on the number of intermediate landings on that 'stairway.' This also clarifies that winders are treads			NA

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	and not landings.			
PHOTOLUMINESCENT. Having the property of emitting light that continues for a length of time after excitation by visible or invisible light has been removed.	Add new definitions for 'Photoluminescent' and 'Self-Luminous' – The definitions were added to clarify that there are two different technologies that could be utilized to meet the new requirements for Luminous Egress Path Markings in new Section 1024.			NA
suite. A group of patient treatment rooms or patient sleeping rooms within Group I-2 occupancies where staff are in attendance within the <i>suite</i> , for supervision of all patients within the suite and the suite is in compliance with the requirements of Sections 1014.2.2 through 1014.2.7.	Add new definition for 'Suite' – The definition clarifies what constitutes a suite in regard to the means of egress provisions in Sections 1014.2.2 through 1014.2.7			NA
1003.5 Elevation change. Where changes in elevation of less than 12 inches (305 mm) exist in the means of egress, sloped surfaces shall be used. Where the slope is greater than one unit vertical in 20 units horizontal (5-percent slope), ramps complying with Section 1010 shall be used. Where the difference in elevation is 6 inches (152 mm) or less, the ramp shall be equipped with either handrails or floor finish	The revision to the last sentence in this section clarifies that any change of elevation along exit access in a Group I-2 occupancy should be ramped. The intent is that locations where staff may be moving patients in beds, stretchers or gurneys should not include steps.	7.1.6.2 Changes in Elevation. Abrupt changes in elevation of walking surfaces shall not exceed 1/4 in. (6.3 mm). Changes in elevation exceeding 1/4 in. (6.3 mm), but not exceeding 1/2 in. (13 mm), shall be beveled with a slope of 1 in 2. Changes in elevation exceeding 1/2 in. (13 mm) shall be considered a change in level and shall be subject to the requirements of 7.1.7.	1003.5 Elevation change. Change in level in the means of egress shall be either by a ramp or a stair. The presence and location of ramped walkways shall be readily apparent.	There are no conflicts with NFPA 101 as defined for this project.

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materials that contrast with		7.1.6.3 Level. Walking surfaces		
adjacent floor finish materials.		shall comply with the following:		
Exceptions:		(1) Walking surfaces shall be		
1. A single step with a maximum		nominally level.		
riser height of 7 inches (178		(2) The slope of a walking		
mm) is permitted for buildings		surface in the direction of travel		
with occupancies in Groups F,		shall not exceed 1 in 20, unless		
H, R-2, R-3, S and U at exterior		the ramp requirements of		
doors not required to be		7.2.5 are met.		
accessible by Chapter 11.		(3) The slope perpendicular to		
2. A stair with a single riser or		the direction of travel shall		
with two risers and a tread is		not exceed 1 in 48.		
permitted at locations not		7.1.6.4* Slip Resistance.		
required to be accessible by		Walking surfaces shall be slip		
Chapter 11, provided that the		resistant		
risers and treads comply with		under foreseeable conditions.		
Section 1009.4, the minimum		The walking surface of		
depth of the tread is 13 inches		each element in the means of		
(330 mm) and at least one		egress shall be uniformly slip		
handrail complying with Section		resistant along the natural path		
1012 is provided within 30		of travel.		
inches (762 mm) of the		7.1.7 Changes in Level in		
centerline of the normal path of		Means of Egress.		
egress travel on the stair.		7.1.7.1 Changes in level in		
3. A step is permitted in aisles		means of egress shall be		
serving seating that has a		achieved		
difference in elevation less than		by an approved means of		
12 inches (305 mm) at locations		egress where the elevation		
not required to be accessible by		difference		
Chapter 11, provided that the		exceeds 21 in. (535 mm).		
risers and treads comply with		7.1.7.2* Changes in level in		
Section 1028.11 and the aisle is		means of egress not in excess		
provided with a <i>handrail</i>		of		
complying with Section 1028.13.		21 in. (535 mm) shall be		

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Throughout a story in a Group I-2 occupancy, any change in elevation in portions of the exit access that serve nonambulatory persons shall be by means of a ramp or sloped walkway.		achieved either by a ramp complying with the requirements of 7.2.5 or by a stair complying with the requirements of 7.2.2. 7.1.7.2.1 Where a ramp is used, the presence and location of ramped portions of walkways shall be readily apparent. 7.1.7.2.2 Where a stair is used, the tread depth of such stair shall be not less than 13 in. (330 mm). 7.1.7.2.3 Tread depth in industrial equipment access areas as provided in 40.2.5.2 shall be permitted. 7.1.7.2.4 The presence and location of each step shall be readily apparent.		
egress width. The means of egress width shall not be less than required by this section. The total width of means of egress in inches (mm) shall not be less than the total occupant load served by the means of egress multiplied by 0.3 inches (7.62 mm) per occupant for stairways and by 0.2 inches (5.08 mm) per occupant for other egress components.	The minimum required egress width is determined based upon the more restrictive of the calculated width and the component width. Calculation of the minimum required width, based upon the number of occupants served by the egress system, previously varied based upon whether or not the building was protected by an automatic fire extinguishing system. In all occupancies other than Groups		NA	NA

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The width shall not be less than specified elsewhere in this code. Multiple means of egress shall be sized such that the loss of any one means of egress shall not reduce the available capacity to less than 50 percent of the required capacity. The maximum capacity required from any story of a building shall be maintained to the termination of the means of egress  Exception: Means of egress complying with Section 1028.	H-1, H-2, H-3, H-4 and I-2, a factor of 0.2 inches of width per person was required for stairway travel and 0.15 inches per person was utilized for all other egress components. This was a reduction from the minimum required widths of 0.3 inches and 0.2 inches per person, respectively, mandated for nonsprinklered buildings. The 2006 Table 1005.1 has been deleted and the text in Section 1005.1 now reflects that all occupancies be regulated for calculated width in the same manner, regardless of the presence of an automatic sprinkler system.			
1005.2 Door encroachment. Doors, when fully opened, and handrails shall not reduce the required means of egress width by more than 7 inches (178 mm). Doors in any position shall not reduce the required width by more than one-half. Other nonstructural projections such as trim and similar decorative features shall be permitted to project into the required width a maximum of 11/2 inches (38 mm) on each side.  Exception: The restrictions on a	Text was revised and added to clarify how encroachment into a corridor should be measured. The issue of trim, handrails and door hardware are specifically addressed.	railings, barriers, or gates shall divide the means of egress into sections appurtenant to individual rooms, apartments, or other occupied spaces. Where the authority having jurisdiction finds the required path of travel to be obstructed by furniture or other movable objects, the authority shall be permitted to require that such objects be secured out of the way or shall	NA	There are no conflicts with NFPA 101 as defined for this project.

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door swing shall not apply to doors within individual dwelling units and sleeping units of Group R-2 and dwelling units of Group R-3.  1005.3 Door hardware encroachment. Surfacemounted latch release hardware shall be exempt from inclusion in the 7-inch (178 mm) maximum projection requirement of Section 1005.2 when:  1. The hardware is mounted to the side of the door facing the corridor width when the door is in the open position; and  2. The hardware is mounted not less than 34 inches (865 mm) or more than 48 inches (1220 mm) above the finished floor.		be permitted to require that railings or other permanent barriers be installed to protect the path of travel against encroachment.  7.2.1.2.1.1 Swinging Door Assemblies. For swinging door assemblies, clear width shall be measured as follows:  (1) The measurement shall be taken at the narrowest point in the door opening.  (2) The measurement shall be taken between the face of the door leaf and the stop of the frame.  (3) For new swinging door assemblies, the measurement shall be taken with the door leaf open 90 degrees.  (4) For any existing door assembly, the measurement shall be taken with the door leaf in the fully open position.  (5) Projections of not more than 4 in. (100 mm) into the door opening width on the hinge side shall not be considered reductions in clear width, provided that such projections	with 2009 Supplement	

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		accommodating panic hardware or fire exit hardware and are located not less than 34 in. (865 mm), and not more than 48 in. (1220 mm), above the floor.  (6) Projections exceeding 6 ft 8 in. (2030 mm) above the floor shall not be considered reductions in clear width.  7.2.1.2.1.2 Other than  Swinging Door Assemblies.  For other than swinging door assemblies, clear width shall be measured as follows:  (1) The measurement shall be taken at the narrowest point in the door opening.  (2) The measurement shall be taken as the door opening width when the door leaf is in the fully open position.  (3) Projections exceeding 6 ft 8 in. (2030 mm) above the floor shall not be considered reductions in clear width.  7.2.1.4.3 Door Leaf Encroachment.		
		7.2.1.4.3.1* During its swing, any door leaf in a means of egress shall leave not less than one-		

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	Explanation	half of the required width of an aisle, a corridor, a passageway, or a landing unobstructed and shall project not more than 7 in. (180 mm) into the required width of an aisle, a corridor, a passageway, or a landing, when fully open, unless both of the following conditions are met:  (1) The door opening provides access to a stair in an existing building.  (2) The door opening meets the requirement that limits projection to not more than 7 in. (180 mm) into the required		Recommendation
		width of the stair landing when the door leaf is fully open. 7.2.1.4.3.2 Surface-mounted latch release hardware on the door leaf shall be exempt from being included in the maximum 7 in. (180 mm) projection requirement of 7.2.1.4.3.1, provided that both of the following criteria are met:  (1) The hardware is mounted to the side of the door leaf that faces the aisle, corridor, passageway, or landing when the door leaf is in the open position.		

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		(2) The hardware is mounted		
		not less than 34 in. (865 mm),		
		and not more than 48 in. (1220		
		mm), above the floor.		
1007.3 Stairways. In order to	In the 2006 edition, exit	NO SIMULAR SECTION IN	1007.3 Stairways. Reserved.	Recommend keep the present
be considered part of an	stairways considered part of an	NFPA		Florida specific amendments.
accessible means of egress, an	accessible means of egress			
exit access stairway as	were required to include an area	SUPERCEDED BY CHAPTER		There are no conflicts with
permitted by Section 1016.1 or	of refuge incorporated within an	11, FBC		NFPA 101 as defined for this
exit stairway shall have a clear	enlarged floor-level landing, or			project.
width of 48 inches (1219 mm)	as an alternative, were required	Table 7.2.2.2.1.2(B) New Stair		
minimum between handrails and	to be accessed from an area of	Width		
shall either incorporate an area	refuge or a horizontal exit.	Total Cumulative Occupant		
of refuge within an enlarged	Exception 3, eliminating the	Load Assigned to the Stair		
floor-level landing or shall be	requirement for areas of refuge	Width		
accessed from either an area of	provided the building is fully	2000 persons 44 in. (1120		
refuge complying with Section	sprinklered has been reinstated.	mm)		
1007.6 or a horizontal exit.	The purpose of an area of	≥2000 persons 56 in. (1420 mm)		
Exceptions:	refuge is to provide an area			
1. The area of refuge is not	"where persons unable to use			
required at open exit access or	stairways can remain			
exit stairways as permitted by	temporarily to await instructions			
Sections 1016.1 and 1022.1 in	or assistance during emergency			
buildings that are equipped	evacuation." The National			
throughout with an automatic	Institute of Standards and			
sprinkler system installed in	Technology (NIST) in 1992			
accordance with Section	issued NISTIP 4770, "Staging			
903.3.1.1 or 903.3.1.2.	Areas for Persons with Mobility			
2. The clear width of 48 inches	Impairments". The primary			
(1219 mm) between	conclusion of the report was that			
handrails is not required at exit	the operation of a properly			
access stairway as	designed sprinkler system			
permitted by Section 1016.1or	eliminates the life threat to all			
exit stairways in buildings	occupants regardless of their			

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equipped throughout with an automatic sprinkler system installed in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1 or 903.3.1.2. 3. Areas of refuge are not required at exit stairways in buildings equipped throughout with an automatic sprinkler system installed in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1 or 903.3.1.2. 4. The clear width of 48 inches (1219 mm) between handrails is not required for exit stairways accessed from a horizontal exit. 5. Areas of refuge are not required at exit stairways serving open parking garages. 6. Areas of refuge are not required for smoke protected seating areas complying with Section 1028.6.2. 7. The areas of refuge are not required in Group R-2 occupancies.	individual abilities and can provide superior protection for persons with disabilities as compared to staging areas. It was deemed that the ability of a properly designed and operational automatic sprinkler system to control a fire at its point of origin and to limit production of toxic products to a level that is not life threatening to all occupants of the building, including persons with disabilities, eliminates the need for areas of refuge.			
1007.4 Elevators. In order to be considered part of an accessible means of egress, an elevator shall comply with the emergency operation and signaling device requirements of Section 2.27 of ASME A17.1. Standby power	Exceptions 2 and 4 are companion exceptions for elevators utilized as a portion of an accessible means of egress (See also Section 1007.3). In similar fashion, elevators need not be accessed from an area of		1007.4 Elevators. Reserved.	Recommend keep the present Florida specific amendments.  There are no conflicts with NFPA 101 as defined for this project.

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shall be provided in accordance	refuge or horizontal exit where			
with Chapter 27 and Section	the buildings is sprinklered			
3003. The elevator shall be	throughout or when the seating			
accessed from either an area of	area is smoke protected.			
refuge complying with Section	Exception 3 is an exception for			
1007.6 or a <i>horizontal exit</i> .	the area of refuge when an			
Exceptions:	elevator is not protected in a			
1. Elevators are not required to	shaft enclosure, similar to the			
be accessed from an <i>area of</i>	open stairway allowances.			
refuge or horizontal exit in open				
parking garages.				
2. Elevators are not required to				
be accessed from an area of				
refuge or horizontal exit in				
buildings and facilities equipped				
throughout with an automatic				
sprinkler system installed in				
accordance with Section				
903.3.1.1 or 903.3.1.2. 3.				
Elevators not required to be				
located in a shaft in accordance				
with Section 708.2 are not				
required to be accessed from an				
area of refuge or horizontal exit.				
4. Elevators are not required to				
be accessed from an area of				
refuge or horizontal exit for				
smoke protected seating areas				
complying with Section				
1028.6.2.				
1007.8 Two-way	Two way communication		1007.8 Two-way	Recommend keep the present
communication. A two-way	systems are required in the area		communicationReserved.	Florida specific amendments.
communication system shall be	in front of each elevator bank.			
provided at the elevator landing	Exception 1 allows for the two			There are no conflicts with

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on each accessible floor that is	way communication system to			NFPA 101 as defined for this
one or more stories above or	be provided in areas of refuge.			project.
below the story of exit discharge	The system is intended to offer			
complying with Sections	a means of communication to			
1007.8.1 and	disabled individuals who need			
1007.8.2.	assistance during an emergency			
Exceptions:	situation. Exception 2 exempts			
Two-way communication	the requirement for a two way			
systems are not required at the	communication system when			
elevator landing where the two-	people can self evacuate using			
way communication system is	a ramp system. The two			
provided within areas of refuge	subsections provide specific			
in accordance with Section	requirements for the system and			
1007.6.3.	direction signage. The two			
2. Two-way communication	subsections are also referenced			
systems are not required on	for the two-way communication			
floors provided with exit ramps	requirement in areas of refuge			
conforming to the provisions of	(Section 1007.6.3).			
Section 1010.				
1007.8.1 System				
requirements. Two-way				
communication systems shall				
provide communication between				
each required location and the				
fire command center or a central				
control point location approved				
by the fire department.				
Where the central control point				
is not constantly attended, a				
two-way communication system				
shall have a timed automatic				
telephone dial-out capability to a				
monitoring location or 911. The				
two-way communication system				

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shall include both audible and visible signals.  1007.8.2 Directions. Directions for the use of the two-way communication system, instructions for summoning assistance via the two-way communication system and written identification of the location shall be posted adjacent to the two-way communication system.  1007.9 Signage. Signage indicating special accessibility provisions shall be provided as shown:  1. Each door providing access to an area of refuge from an adjacent floor area shall be identified by a sign stating: AREA OF REFUGE.  2. Each door providing access to an exterior area for assisted rescue shall be identified by a sign stating: EXTERIOR AREA FOR ASSISTED RESCUE Signage shall comply with the ICC A117.1 requirements for visual characters and include the International Symbol of Accessibility. Where exit sign illumination is required by	Visual and tactile (raised and Braille) signage must be provided at every area of refuge and exterior area for assisted rescue identifying the purpose of the space.	ZOUS NIFFA TEXT	10079-Signage. Reserved.	Recommend keep the present Florida specific amendments.  There are no conflicts with NFPA 101 as defined for this project.
Section 1011.2, the signs shall				

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be illuminated. Additionally, tactile signage complying with ICC A117.1 shall be located at each door to an area of refuge and exterior area for assisted rescue in accordance with Section 1011.3.				
1007.10 Directional signage. Direction signage indicating the location of the other means of egress and which are accessible means of egress shall be provided at the following:  1. At exits serving a required accessible space but not providing an approved accessible means of egress.  2. At elevator landings.  3. Within areas of refuge.	Signage indicating the location of all accessible means of egress must be provided at all non-accessible means of egress, at all elevators and within areas of refuge.		1007.10 Directional signage. Reserved.	Recommend keep the present Florida specific amendments.  There are no conflicts with NFPA 101 as defined for this project.
1007.11 Instructions. In areas of refuge and exterior areas for assisted rescue, instructions on the use of the area under emergency conditions shall be posted. The instructions shall include all of the following:  1. Persons able to use the exit stairway do so as soon as possible, unless they are assisting others.  2. Information on planned availability of assistance in the use of stairs or supervised operation of elevators and how	Instructions must be posted in all areas of refuge and exterior areas for rescue assistance regarding use of the area.		1007.11 Instructions. Reserved.	Recommend keep the present Florida specific amendments.  There are no conflicts with NFPA 101 as defined for this project.

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to summon such assistance. 3. Directions for use of the two-way communications system where provided.				
doors shall be of the pivoted or side-hinged swinging type.  Exceptions:  1. Private garages, office areas, factory and storage areas with an occupant load of 10 or less.  2. Group I-3 occupancies used as a place of detention.  3. Critical or intensive care patient rooms within suites of health care facilities.  4. Doors within or serving a single dwelling unit in Groups R-2 and R-3.  5. In other than Group H occupancies, revolving doors complying with Section 1008.1.4.1.  6. In other than Group H occupancies, horizontal sliding doors complying with Section 1008.1.4.3 are permitted in a means of egress.  7. Power-operated doors in accordance with Section 1008.1.4.2.  8. Doors serving a bathroom within an individual sleeping unit in Group R-1.	A new Exception 9 allows manual horizontal sliding doors instead of swinging doors for means of egress from spaces with 10 or less occupants. This new exception addresses the typical horizontal sliding door that is operated manually, such as a "pocket" door or a sliding "patio" door. The allowance for such a door will provide greater design flexibility and efficiency, while at the same time maintaining an acceptable level of safety.	7.2.1.4 Swing and Force to Open. 7.2.1.4.1* Swinging-Type Door Assembly Requirement. Any door assembly in a means of egress shall be of the side-hinged or pivoted-swinging type, and shall be installed to be capable of swinging from any position to the full required width of the opening in which it is installed, unless otherwise specified as follows: (1) Door assemblies in dwelling units, as provided in Chapter 24, shall be permitted. (2) Door assemblies in residential board and care occupancies, as provided in Chapters 32 and 33, shall be permitted. (3) Where permitted in Chapters 11 through 43, horizontal sliding or vertical-rolling security grilles or door assemblies that are part of the required means of egress shall be permitted, provided that they meet the following criteria: (a) Such grilles or door	NA	There are no conflicts with NFPA 101 as defined for this project.

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9. In other than Group H		assemblies shall remain		
occupancies, manually		secured		
operated horizontal sliding doors		in the fully open position during		
are permitted in a		the period of occupancy		
means of egress from spaces		by the general public.		
with an <i>occupant load</i> of 10 or		(b) On or adjacent to the grille or		
less.		door opening, there shall		
Doors shall swing in the		be a readily visible, durable sign		
direction of egress travel where		in letters not less than		
serving an occupant load of 50		1 in. (25 mm) high on a		
or more persons or a Group H		contrasting background that		
occupancy.		reads as follows: THIS DOOR		
		TO REMAIN OPEN		
		WHEN THE BUILDING IS		
		OCCUPIED.		
		(c) Door leaves or grilles shall		
		not be brought to the		
		closed position when the space		
		is occupied.		
		(d) Door leaves or grilles shall		
		be operable from within the		
		space without the use of any		
		special knowledge or effort.		
		(e) Where two or more means of		
		egress are required, not		
		more than half of the means of		
		egress shall be		
		equipped with horizontal-sliding		
		or vertical-rolling		
		grilles or door assemblies.		
		(4) Horizontal-sliding door		
		assemblies shall be permitted		
		under		
		any of the following conditions:		

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		(a) Horizontal-sliding door		
		assemblies in detention and		
		correctional occupancies, as		
		provided in Chapters 22		
		and 23, shall be permitted.		
		(b) Horizontal-sliding door		
		assemblies complying with		
		7.2.1.14 shall be permitted.		
		(c) Unless prohibited by		
		Chapters 11 through 43,		
		horizontal-sliding door		
		assemblies serving a room		
		or area with an occupant load of		
		fewer than 10 shall		
		be permitted, provided that all of		
		the following criteria		
		are met:		
		i. The area served by the door		
		assembly has no		
		high hazard contents.		
		ii. The door assembly is readily		
		operable from either		
		side without special knowledge		
		or effort.		
		iii. The force required to operate		
		the door assembly		
		in the direction of door leaf		
		travel is not		
		more than 30 lbf (133 N) to set		
		the door leaf in		
		motion and is not more than 15		
		lbf (67 N) to		
		close the door assembly or open		
		it to the minimum		

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		required width.		
		iv. The door assembly complies		
		with any required		
		fire protection rating, and, where		
		rated, is selfclosing		
		or automatic-closing by means		
		of smoke		
		detection in accordance with		
		7.2.1.8 and is installed		
		in accordance with NFPA 80,		
		Standard for		
		Fire Doors and Other Opening		
		Protectives.		
		v. Corridor door assemblies		
		required to be selflatching		
		shall have a latch or other mechanism		
		that ensures that the door leaf		
		will not rebound		
		into a partially open position if		
		forcefully closed.		
		(d) Where private garages,		
		business areas, industrial areas,		
		and storage areas with an		
		occupant load not exceeding		
		10 contain only low or ordinary		
		hazard contents, door		
		openings to such areas and		
		private garages shall be		
		permitted		
		to be horizontal-sliding door		
		assemblies.		
		(5) Where private garages,		
		business areas, industrial areas,		

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		and storage areas with an		
		occupant load not exceeding 10		
		contain only low or ordinary		
		hazard contents, door openings		
		to such areas and private		
		garages shall be permitted		
		to be vertical-rolling door		
		assemblies.		
		(6) Revolving door assemblies		
		complying with 7.2.1.10 shall		
		be permitted.		
		(7) Existing fusible link–operated horizontal-sliding or		
		vertical-rolling fire door		
		assemblies shall be permitted to		
		be used as provided in Chapters		
		39, 40, and 42.		
		7.2.1.4.2 Door Leaf Swing		
		<b>Direction.</b> Door leaves required		
		to		
		be of the side-hinged or pivoted-		
		swinging type shall swing in the		
		direction of egress travel under		
		any of the following conditions:		
		(1) Where serving a room or		
		area with an occupant load of 50		
		or more, except under the		
		following conditions:		
		(a) Door leaves in horizontal		
		exits shall not be required		
		to swing in the direction of		
		egress travel where permitted		
		by 7.2.4.3.8.1 or 7.2.4.3.8.2.		
		(b) Door leaves in smoke		

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		barriers shall not be required to swing in the direction of egress travel in existing health care occupancies, as provided in Chapter 19.  (2) Where the door assembly is used in an exit enclosure, unless the door opening serves an individual living unit that opens directly into an exit enclosure  (3) Where the door opening serves a high hazard contents		
1008.1.9.4 Bolt locks. Manually operated flush bolts or surface bolts are not permitted.  Exceptions:  1. On doors not required for egress in individual dwelling units or sleeping units.  2. Where a pair of doors serves a storage or equipment room, manually operated edge- or surface-mounted bolts are permitted on the inactive leaf.  3. Where a pair of doors serves an occupant load of less than 50 persons in a Group B, F or S occupancy, manually operated edge- or surface-mounted bolts are permitted on	In Exceptions 3 and 4, the allowance for the use of manually operated edge-or surface-mounted bolts on the inactive leaf of a pair of doors has been extended to limited applications in Group B, F and S occupancies. Exception 5 is a similar allowance for an inactive leaf on a pair of doors to patient rooms in Group I-2. This will allow for movement of equipment without any hazard to the means of egress.	7.2.1.5.10 Where pairs of door leaves are required in a means of egress, one of the following criteria shall be met: (1) Each leaf of the pair shall be provided with a releasing device that does not depend on the release of one leaf before the other. (2) Approved automatic flush bolts shall be used and arranged such that the following criteria are met: (a) The door leaf equipped with the automatic flush bolts shall have no doorknob or surface-mounted hardware. (b) Unlatching of any leaf shall not require more than	1008.1. 9.4 Bolt locks.  Manually operated flush bolts or surface bolts are not permitted.  All hardware must be direct acting requiring no more than one operation. Double cylinder dead bolts, requiring a key for operation on both sides, are prohibited on required means of egress doors unless the locking device is provided with a key which cannot be removed when the door is locked from the inside. Only one locking or latching device shall be permitted on a door or on one leaf of a pair of doors.  Exceptions: No change.	There are no conflicts with NFPA 101 as defined for this project.

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the inactive leaf. The inactive		one operation.		
leaf shall contain no doorknobs,		·		
panic bars or similar operating				
hardware.				
4. Where a pair of doors serves				
a Group B, F or S				
occupancy, manually operated				
edge- or surface-				
mounted bolts are permitted on				
the inactive leaf provided such				
inactive leaf is not needed to				
meet egress width requirements				
and the building is equipped				
throughout with an automatic				
sprinkler system in accordance				
with Section 903.3.1.1. The				
inactive leaf shall contain no				
doorknobs, panic bars or similar				
operating hardware.				
5. Where a pair of doors serves				
patient care rooms				
in Group I-2 occupancies, self-				
latching edge or				
surface-mounted bolts are				
permitted on the inactive leaf				
provided that the inactive leaf is				
not needed to meet egress				
width requirements and the				
inactive leaf contains no				
doorknobs, panic bars or similar				
operating hardware.	Ouitonia hava haan muavidad daa		4040 0 Hamiltonian at 1111	NA.
1012.3 Handrail graspability.	Criteria have been provided for		1012.3 Handrail graspability.	NA
All required <i>handrails</i> shall	additional complying handrail		All required <i>handrails</i> shall	
comply with Section 1012.3.1 or	shapes, identified as Type II		comply with Section 1012.3.1 or	

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shall provide equivalent graspability.  Exception: In Group R-3 occupancies; within dwelling units in Group R-2 occupancies; and in Group U occupancies that are accessory to a Group R-3 occupancy or accessory to individual dwelling units in Group R-2 occupancies; handrails shall be Type I in accordance with Section 1012.3.1, Type II in accordance with Section 1012.3.2 or shall provide equivalent graspability.	handrails, which are permitted in selective residential applications. The handrail shape permitted in the 2006 IBC is now identified as Type I handrails.		shall provide equivalent graspability.  Exceptions:  1. In Group R-3 occupancies; within dwelling units in Group R-2 occupancies; and in Group U occupancies that are accessory to a Group R-3 occupancy or accessory to individual dwelling units in Group R-2 occupancies; handrails shall be Type I in accordance with Section 1012.3.1, Type II in accordance with Section 1012.3.2 or shall provide equivalent graspability.  2. Accessible handrails shall meet the requirements of Section 11-4.26.2.	
1012.3.1 Type I. Handrails with a circular cross section shall have an outside diameter of at least 11/4 inches (32 mm) and not greater than 2 inches (51 mm). If the handrail is not circular, it shall have a perimeter dimension of at least 4 inches (102 mm) and not greater than 61/4 inches (160 mm) with a maximum cross-section dimension of 21/4 inches (57 mm). Edges shall have a minimum radius of 0.01 inch (0.25 mm).	See Section 1012.3	7.2.2.4.4.6 Handrails shall include one of the following features: (1) Circular cross section with an outside diameter of not less than 11/4 in. (32 mm) and not more than 2 in. (51 mm) (2)*Shape that is other than circular with a perimeter dimension of not less than 4 in. (100 mm), but not more than 61/4 in. (160 mm), and with the largest cross-sectional dimension	NA	There are no conflicts with NFPA 101 as defined for this project.

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		not more than 21/4 in. (57 mm),		
		provided that		
		graspable edges are rounded so		
		as to provide a radius of		
		not less than 1/8 in. (3.2 mm)		
1012.3.2 Type II. Handrails with	See Section 1012.3		NA	There are no conflicts with
a perimeter greater than 61/4				NFPA 101 as defined for this
inches (160 mm) shall provide a				project.
graspable finger recess area on				
both sides of the profile. The				
finger recess shall begin within a				
distance of 3/4 inch (19 mm)				
measured vertically from the tallest portion of the profile and				
achieve a depth of at least 5/16				
inch (8 mm) within 7/8 inch (22				
mm) below the widest portion of				
the profile. This required depth				
shall continue for at least 3/8				
inch (10 mm) to a level that is				
not less than 13/4 inches (45				
mm) below the tallest portion of				
the profile. The minimum width				
of the <i>handrail</i> above the recess				
shall be 11/4 inches (32 mm) to				
a maximum of 23/4 inches (70				
mm). Edges shall have a				
minimum radius of 0.01inch				
(0.25 mm).				
1012.6 Handrail extensions.	Where handrails are not	7.2.2.4.4.9 New handrail ends	1012.6 Handrail extensions.	Recommend keep the present
Handrails shall return to a wall,	continuous between runs, the	shall be returned to the wall or	Handrails shall return to a wall,	Florida specific amendments.
guard or the walking surface or	handrail extensions must extend	floor or shall terminate at newel	guard or the walking surface or	
shall be continuous to the	in the same direction as the stair	posts.	shall be continuous to the	There are no conflicts with
handrail of an adjacent stair	flight or ramp run. The extension	<b>7.2.2.4.4.10</b> In other than	handrail of an adjacent stair	NFPA 101 as defined for this

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flight or ramp run. Where handrails are not continuous between flights, the handrails	is not useful if it bends around a corner at the top or bottom of the run.	dwelling units, new handrails that are not continuous between	flight or ramp run. Where handrails are not continuous between flights,	project.
shall extend horizontally at least 12 inches (305 mm) beyond the top riser and continue to slope for the depth		flights shall extend horizontally, at the required height, not less than 12 in. (305 mm) beyond the top riser and continue to	the <i>handrails</i> shall extend horizontally at least 12 inches (305 mm) beyond the top riser and continue to slope for the	
of one tread beyond the bottom riser. At <i>ramps</i> where <i>handrails</i> are not continuous between		slope for a depth of one tread beyond the bottom riser.	depth of one tread beyond the bottom riser. At <i>ramps</i> where <i>handrails</i>	
runs, the <i>handrails</i> shall extend horizontally above the landing 12 inches (305 mm) minimum			are not continuous between runs, the <i>handrails</i> shall extend horizontally above the landing	
beyond the top and bottom of ramp runs. The extensions of handrails shall be in the same			12 18 inches (305 mm) minimum beyond the top and bottom of	
direction of the <i>stair flights</i> at <i>stairways</i> and the <i>ramp</i> runs at <i>ramps</i> .			ramp runs. The extensions of handrails shall be in the same direction of the stair flights at	
Exceptions:  1. Handrails within a dwelling unit that is not required			stairways and the ramp runs at ramps.  Exceptions:	
to be <i>accessible</i> need extend only from the top riser to the bottom riser.			<ul><li>1 – 3 No change.</li><li>4. Accessible handrail extensions shall be as per</li></ul>	
2. Aisle handrails in Group A and E occupancies in accordance with Section			<u>Section 11-4.8.5(2).</u>	
<ul><li>1028.13.</li><li>3. Handrails for alternating tread devices and ship ladders are</li></ul>				
permitted to terminate at a location vertically above the top and bottom risers. Handrails for				

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alternating tread devices and ship ladders are not required to be continuous between flights or to extend beyond the top or bottom risers.				
Guards shall be located along open-sided walking surfaces, including mezzanines, equipment platforms, stairs, ramps and landings that are located more than 30 inches (762 mm) measured vertically to the floor or grade below at any point within 36 inches (914 mm) horizontally to the edge of the open side. Guards shall be adequate in strength and attachment in accordance with Section 1607.7.  Exception: Guards are not required for the following locations:  1. On the loading side of loading docks or piers.  2. On the audience side of stages and raised platforms, including steps leading up to the stage and raised platforms.  3. On raised stage and platform floor areas, such as runways, ramps and side stages used for entertainment or presentations.  4. At vertical openings in the	When determining where a guard is required, the vertical distance from the walking surface to the grade or floor below is now based on the lowest point within a 36-inch radius measured horizontally from the edge of the open sided walking surface. This allows for sloped surfaces adjacent to the guard to be considered rather than just the point at the edge.	7.1.8* Guards. Guards in accordance with 7.2.2.4 shall be provided at the open sides of means of egress that exceed 30 in. (760 mm) above the floor or the finished ground level below. 7.2.2.4.5.2 Guards shall be not less than 42 in. (1065 mm) high, except as permitted by one of the following: (1) Existing guards within dwelling units shall be permitted to be not less than 36 in. (915 mm) high. (2) The requirement of 7.2.2.4.5.2 shall not apply in assembly occupancies where otherwise provided in Chapters 12 and 13. (3)*Existing guards on existing stairs shall be permitted to be not less than 30 in. (760 mm) high.	NA	There are no conflicts with NFPA 101 as defined for this project.

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performance area of stages and platforms.  5. At elevated walking surfaces appurtenant to stages and platforms for access to and utilization of special lighting or equipment.  6. Along vehicle service pits not accessible to the public.  7. In assembly seating where guards in accordance with Section 1028.14 are permitted and provided.				
is used to provide a <i>guard</i> or as a portion of the <i>guard</i> system, the <i>guard</i> shall also comply with Section 2407. Where the glazing provided does not meet the strength and attachment requirements of Section 1607.7, complying <i>guards</i> shall also be located along glazed sides of open-sided walking surfaces.	This new section provides requirements for when glazing is part of a guard system.		NA	NA
1013.2 Height. Required guards shall be not less than 42 inches (1067 mm) high, measured vertically above the adjacent walking surfaces, adjacent fixed seating or the line connecting the leading edges of the treads. Exceptions:  1. For occupancies in Group R-	Fixed seating adjacent to a guard is now considered a walking surface and the minimum height of the guard is to be measured from that surface rather than from the floor.	7.1.8* Guards. Guards in accordance with 7.2.2.4 shall be provided at the open sides of means of egress that exceed 30 in. (760 mm) above the floor or the finished ground level below. 7.2.2.4.5.2 Guards shall be not less than 42 in. (1065 mm)	NA	NA

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3, and within individual dwelling units in occupancies in Group R-2, guards on the open sides of stairs shall have a height not less than 34 inches (864 mm) measured vertically from a line connecting the leading edges of the treads.  2. For occupancies in Group R-3, and within individual dwelling units in occupancies in Group R-2, where the top of the guard also serves as a handrail on the open sides of stairs, the top of the guard shall not be less than 34 inches (864 mm) and not more than 38 inches (965 mm) measured vertically from a line connecting the leading edges of the treads.  3. The height in assembly seating areas shall be in accordance with Section 1028.14.  4. Along alternating tread devices and ship ladders, guards whose top rail also serves as a handrail, shall have height not less than 30 inches (762 mm) and not more than 34 inches (864 mm), measured vertically		high, except as permitted by one of the following:  (1) Existing guards within dwelling units shall be permitted to be not less than 36 in. (915 mm) high.  (2) The requirement of 7.2.2.4.5.2 shall not apply in assembly occupancies where otherwise provided in Chapters 12 and 13.  (3)*Existing guards on existing stairs shall be permitted to be not less than 30 in. (760 mm) high.		

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from the leading edge of the				
device tread nosing.				
1013.3 Opening limitations.	The permitted maximum size of	<b>7.2.2.4.5.3</b> * Open guards, other	NA	NA
Required <i>guards</i> shall not have	openings in the upper portion of	than approved existing open		
openings which allow passage	guards has been reduced from 8	guards, shall have intermediate		
of a sphere 4 inches (102 mm)	inches to 4 3/8 inches.	rails or an ornamental pattern		
in diameter from the walking		such that a sphere 4 in. (100		
surface to the required guard		mm) in diameter is not able to		
height.		pass through any opening up to		
Exceptions:		a height of 34 in. (865 mm),		
1. From a height of 36 inches		and the following also shall		
(914 mm) to 42 inches		apply:		
(1067 mm), guards shall not		(1) The triangular openings		
have openings which		formed by the riser, tread, and		
allow passage of a sphere 43/8		bottom element of a guardrail at		
inches (111 mm) in diameter.		the open side of a stair		
2. The triangular openings at the		shall be of such size that a		
open sides of a stair,		sphere 6 in. (150 mm) in		
formed by the riser, tread and		diameter		
bottom rail shall not allow		is not able to pass through the		
passage of a sphere 6 inches		triangular opening.		
(152 mm) in diameter.		(2) In detention and correctional		
3. At elevated walking surfaces		occupancies, in industrial		
for access to and use of		occupancies, and in storage		
electrical, mechanical or		occupancies, the clear distance		
plumbing systems or equipment,		between intermediate rails,		
guards shall not have openings		measured at right		
which allow passage of a sphere		angles to the rails, shall not		
21 inches (533 mm)in diameter.		exceed 21 in. (535 mm).		
4. In areas that are not open to				
the public within occupancies in				
Group I-3, F, H or S, and for				
alternating tread devices and				
ship ladders, <i>guards</i> shall not				

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have openings which allow				
passage of a sphere 21 inches				
(533 mm) in diameter.				
5. In assembly seating areas,				
guards at the end of aisles				
where they terminate at a fascia				
of boxes, balconies and				
galleries shall not have				
openings which allow passage				
of a sphere 4 inches in diameter				
(102 mm) up to a height of 26				
inches (660 mm). From a height				
of 26 inches (660 mm) to 42				
inches (1067 mm) above the				
adjacent walking surfaces,				
guards shall not have openings				
which allow passage of a sphere				
8 inches (203 mm) in diameter.				
6. Within individual dwelling				
units and sleeping units in				
Group R-2 and R-3				
occupancies, <i>guards</i> on the				
open				
sides of stairs shall not have				
openings which allow passage				
of a sphere 43/8 (111				
mm)inches in diameter.				
<b>1014.2.2 Group I-2.</b> Habitable	This section has been revised to	18.2.5.7.2.1 Sleeping Suite	NA	There are no conflicts with
rooms or suites in Group I-2	more clearly defined what are	Arrangement.		NFPA 101 as defined for this
occupancies shall have an exit	the exiting requirements for	(A)* Occupants of habitable		project.
access door leading directly to a	suites that contain patient	rooms within sleeping suites		
corridor.	sleeping rooms and suites in	shall		
Exception: Rooms with exit	areas other than patient	have exit access to a corridor		1
doors opening directly to the	sleeping rooms. Suites are	complying with 18.3.6 without		

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outside at ground level.	separated from other portions of	having to pass through more		
1014.2.3 Suites in patient	the building by smoke partitions.	than one intervening room.		
sleeping areas. Patient		(B) Sleeping suites shall be		
sleeping areas in Group I-2		provided with constant staff		
occupancies shall be permitted		supervision		
to be divided into suites with one		within the suite.		
intervening room if one of the		(C) Sleeping suites shall be		
following conditions is met:		arranged in accordance with		
1. The intervening room within		one		
the suite is not used as an exit		of the following:		
access for more than eight		(1)*Patient sleeping rooms		
patient beds.		within sleeping suites shall		
2. The arrangement of the suite		provide		
allows for direct and constant		one of the following:		
visual supervision by nursing		(a) The patient sleeping rooms		
personnel.		shall be arranged to allow		
<b>1014.2.3.1 Area.</b> Suites of		for direct supervision from a		
sleeping rooms shall not exceed		normally attended location		
5,000 square feet (465 m2).		within the suite, such as is		
<b>1014.2.3.2 Exit access.</b> Any		provided by glass walls,		
patient sleeping room, or		and cubicle curtains shall be		
any suite that includes patient		permitted.		
sleeping rooms, of more than		(b) Any patient sleeping rooms		
1,000 square feet (93 m2) shall		without the direct supervision		
have at least two exit access		required by 18.2.5.7.2.1(C)(1)(a)		
doors remotely located from		shall be provided		
each other.		with smoke detection in		
1014.2.3.3 Travel distance.		accordance with Section		
The travel distance between any		9.6 and 18.3.4.		
point in a suite of sleeping		(2) Sleeping suites shall be		
rooms and an exit access door		provided with a total coverage		
of that suite shall not exceed		(complete) automatic smoke		
100 feet (30 480 mm).		detection system in accordance		
1014.2.4 Suites in areas other		with 9.6.2.9 and 18.3.4.		

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than patient sleeping areas.		18.2.5.7.2.2 Sleeping Suite		
Areas other than patient		Number of Means of Egress.		
sleeping areas in Group I-2		(A) Sleeping suites of more than		
occupancies shall be permitted		1000 ft2 (93m2) shall have not		
to be divided into suites.		less than two exit access doors		
<b>1014.2.4.1 Area.</b> Suites of		remotely located from each		
rooms, other than patient		other.		
sleeping rooms, shall not		(B)* One means of egress from		
exceed 10,000 square feet (929		the suite shall be directly to a		
m2).		corridor complying with 18.3.6.		
<b>1014.2.4.2 Exit access.</b> Any		(C)* For suites requiring two		
room or suite of rooms,		means of egress, one means of		
other than patient sleeping		egress from the suite shall be		
rooms, of more than 2,500		permitted to be into another		
square feet (232 m2) shall have		suite,		
at least two exit access doors		provided that the separation		
remotely located from each		between the suites complies		
other.		with		
1014.2.4.3 One intervening		the corridor requirements of		
room. For rooms other than		18.3.6.2 through 18.3.6.5.		
patient sleeping rooms, suites of		18.2.5.7.2.3 Sleeping Suite		
rooms are permitted to have one		Maximum Size.		
intervening room if the travel		(A) Sleeping suites shall not		
distance within the suite to the		exceed 5000 ft2 (460 m2),		
exit access door is not greater		unless		
than 100 feet (30 480 mm).		otherwise provided in		
1014.2.4.4 Two intervening		18.2.5.7.2.3(B).		
rooms. For rooms other		(B) Sleeping suites greater than		
than patient sleeping rooms		5000 ft2 (460 m2) and not		
located within a suite, exit		exceeding 7500 ft2 (700 m2)		
access travel from within the		shall be permitted where both of		
suite shall be permitted		the following are provided in the		
through two intervening rooms		suite:		
where the travel distance to the		(1)*Direct visual supervision in		

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exit access door is not greater than 50 feet (15 240 mm).  1014.2.5 Exit access through suites. Exit access from all other portions of a building not classified as a suite in a Group I-2 occupancy shall not pass through a suite.  1014.2.6 Travel distance. The travel distance between any point in a Group I-2 occupancy patient sleeping room and an exit access door in that room shall not e.  1014.2.7 Separation. Suites in Group I-2 occupancies shall be separated from other portions of the building by a smoke partition complying with Section 711.		accordance with 18.2.5.7.2.1(C)(1)(a) (2) Total coverage (complete) automatic smoke detection in accordance with 9.6.2.9 and 18.3.4 18.2.5.7.2.4 Sleeping Suite Travel Distance. (A) Travel distance between any point in a sleeping suite and an exit access door from that suite shall not exceed 100 ft (30 m). (B) Travel distance between any point in a sleeping suite and an exit shall not exceed 200 ft (61 m). 18.2.5.7.3 Non-Sleeping Suites. Non-sleeping suites shall be in accordance with the following: (1) Non-sleeping suites for patient care shall comply with the provisions of 18.2.5.7.3.1 through 18.2.5.7.3.4. (2) Non-sleeping suites not for	with 2003 Supplement	
404420000000000000000000000000000000000	In Francisco A the allowers for	patient care shall comply with the provisions of 18.2.5.7.4.	Franctions	There are no conflicte with
1014.3 Common path of egress travel. In occupancies	In Exception 4, the allowance for an extended common path of	<b>12.2.5.1.2</b> A common path of travel shall be permitted for the	Exceptions: 1. The length of a common path	There are no conflicts with NFPA 101 as defined for this
other than Groups H-1, H-2 and	egress travel in Group R-2	first 20 ft (6100 mm) from any	of egress travel in Group B, F, M	project.
H-3, the <i>common path of egress</i>	occupancies is now also	point where the common path	and S occupancies shall not be	
travel shall not exceed 75 feet	available where the building is	serves any number of	more than 100 feet (30 480	
(22 860 mm). In Group H-1, H-2	protected throughout with an	occupants, and for the first 75 ft	mm), provided that the building	

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and H-3 occupancies, the	NFPA 13R automatic sprinkler	(23 m)	is equipped throughout with an	
common path of egress travel	system.	from any point where the	automatic sprinkler system	
shall not exceed 25 feet (7620		common path serves not more	installed in accordance with	
mm). For common path of		than	Section 903.3.1.1.	
egress travel in Group A		50 occupants.	2 – 3 No change.	
occupancies and assembly		12.4.2.9 Smoke-protected	4. The length of a common path	
occupancies accessory to		assembly seating conforming	of egress travel in a Group R-2	
Group E occupancies having		with	occupancy shall not be more	
fixed seating, see Section		the requirements of 12.4.2 shall	than 125 feet (38 100 mm),	
1028.8.		be permitted to have a common	within the dwelling unit, provided	
Exceptions:		path of travel of 50 ft (15 m)	that the building is protected	
1. The length of a common path		from any seat to a point	throughout with an approved	
of egress travel in		where a person has a choice of	automatic sprinkler system in	
Group B, F and S occupancies		two directions of egress travel.	accordance with Section	
shall not be more than		<b>14.2.5.3.1</b> Common path of	903.3.1.1 or 903.3.1.2 otherwise	
100 feet (30 480 mm), provided		travel shall not exceed 100 ft	75 feet.	
that the building is equipped		(30 m) in a building protected	5. Where a tenant space in	
throughout with an automatic		throughout by an approved,	Group A occupancy has an	
sprinkler system installed in		supervised automatic sprinkler	occupant load of more than 50,	
accordance with Section		system in accordance with	the length of a common path of	
903.3.1.1.		Section	egress travel shall not be more	
2. Where a tenant space in		9.7.	than 20feet (6098 mm).	
Group B, S and U occupancies		<b>14.2.5.3.2</b> Common path of	6. The common path of	
has an <i>occupant load</i> of not		travel shall not exceed 75 ft (23	egress travel in Group R1 and	
more than 30, the length of a		m)	R2 occupancies shall not	
common path of egress travel		in a building not protected	exceed 35 feet (10 668 mm).	
shall not be more than 100 feet		throughout by an approved,	Travel within a guestroom, guest	
(30 480 mm).		supervised	suite or dwelling unit shall not be	
3. The length of a common path		automatic sprinkler system in	included when calculating the	
of egress travel in a		accordance with Section 9.7.	common path of travel. The	
Group I-3 occupancy shall not		<b>16.2.5.3.1</b> Common path of	common path of egress travel in	
be more than 100 feet		travel shall not exceed 100 ft	occupancy Groups R1 and R2	
(30 480 mm).		(30 m) in a building protected	shall not exceed 50 feet (15 240	
4. The length of a common path		throughout by an approved,	mm) provided the building is	

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_	Explanation	supervised automatic sprinkler system in accordance with Section 9.7.  16.2.5.3.2 Common path of travel shall not exceed 75 ft (23 m) in a building not protected throughout by an approved, supervised automatic sprinkler system in accordance with Section 9.7.  18.2.5.3 Common Path of Travel. Common path of travel		Recommendation
		shall not exceed 100 ft (30 m).  22.2.5.3 A common path of travel shall not exceed 100 ft (30 m).  22.4.4.4 Common Path of Travel (Nonsprinklered Buildings).  A common path of travel shall not exceed 50 ft (15 m).  28.2.5.3 In buildings not protected throughout by an	feet (15 240 mm).  9. In occupancy Group S2 common paths of egress travel shall not be limited.  10. In occupancy Group H common paths of egress travel shall be prohibited.	
		approved, supervised automatic sprinkler system in accordance with 28.3.5, common paths of travel shall not exceed 35 ft (10.7 m); travel within a guest room or guest suite shall not be included when calculating common path of travel. 28.2.5.4 In buildings protected		

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		throughout by an approved, supervised automatic sprinkler system in accordance with 28.3.5, common path of travel shall not exceed 50 ft (15 m); travel within a guest room or guest suite shall not be included when determining common path of travel.    Table 40.2.5 Arrangement of Means of Egress		

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Code Text		Table 42.2.5 Arrangements of Means of Egress  Level of Protection Storage Protection Storage Occupancy If m Occupancy  Dead-End Corridor Protected NL 100 30 Prohibited, except as permitted by 7.11.4 automatic sprinkler system in accordance with 9.7.1.1(1)  Not protected NL 50 15 Prohibited, except as permitted by 7.11.4 automatic sprinkler system in accordance with 9.7.1.1(1)  Common Path of Travel Protected NL 100 30 Prohibited, except as permitted by 7.11.4 automatic sprinkler system in accordance with 9.7.1.1(1)  Common Path of Travel Protected NL 100 30 Prohibited, except as permitted by 7.11.4 automatic sprinkler system in accordance with 9.7.1.1(1)  Not protected NL 50 15 Prohibited, except as permitted by 7.11.4 automatic sprinkler system in accordance with 9.7.1.1(1)  Not protected NL 50 15 Prohibited, except as permitted by 7.11.4 automatic sprinkler system in accordance with 9.7.1.1(1)  Not protected NL 50 15 Prohibited, except as permitted by 7.11.4 automatic sprinkler system in accordance with 9.7.1.1(1)  Not protected NL 50 15 Prohibited, except as permitted by 7.11.4 automatic sprinkler system in accordance with 9.7.1.1(1)	with 2009 Supplement	
1015.1 Exits or exit access doorways from spaces. Two exits or exit access doorways from any space shall be provided where one of the following conditions exists:  Exception: Group I-2 occupancies shall comply with Section 1014.2.2 through 1014.2.7. 1. The occupant load of the space exceeds one of the values in Table 1015.1.  Exception: In Group R-2 and R-3 occupancies, one means of egress is permitted within and	The occupant load threshold at which a second means of egress is required from a Group R-2 occupancy has been increased from 11 to 21 where an automatic sprinkler system is provided. A final paragraph has been added to clarify mixed occupancy exit access requirements.		Table 1015.1 Spaces with One Means of Egress, revise text to read as follows:  Table 1015.1 SPACES WITH ONE Exit or Exit Access Doorway  Occupan Maximu cy m Occupan	

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from individual dwelling units			t Load	
with a maximum occupant load			A,B, 49	
of 20 where the dwelling unit is			E,F,M,U,	
equipped throughout with an			R2, R3	
automatic sprinkler system in			H-1,H- 3	
accordance with Section			2,H-3	
903.3.1.1 or 903.3.1.2.			D,H-4, H- 10	
2. The common path of egress			5, I-1, I-3,	
travel exceeds one of the			R-1, R-4	
limitations of Section 1014.3.			S 29	
3. Where required by Section				
1015.3, 1015.4, 1015.5, 1015.6				
or 1015.6.1. Where a building				
contains mixed occupancies,				
each individual occupancy shall				
comply with the applicable				
requirements for that				
occupancy. Where applicable,				
cumulative occupant loads from				
adjacent occupancies shall be				
considered in accordance with				
the provisions of Section				
1004.1.				
TABLE 1015.1  SPACES WITH ONE EXIT OR EXIT ACCESS DOORWAY  OCCUPRACY  MAXIMUM OCCUPRAT LOAD  A, B, E', F, M, U  49  H-1, H-2, H-3  H-4, H-5, I-1, I-3, I-4, R  10  S  29				
1015.1.1 Three or more exits	The information in Table 1019.1	<b>7.4.1.2</b> The number of means of	NA	
or exit access doorways.	for number of exits from a floor	egress from any story or		
Three exits or exit access	has been placed in this section	portion thereof, other than for		
doorways shall be provided from	for spaces.	existing buildings as permitted		
any space with an occupant		in Chapters 11 through 43, shall		
load of 501 to 1,000. Four exits		be as follows:		
or exit access doorways shall be		(1) Occupant load more than		

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provided from any space with an occupant load greater than 1,000.		500 but not more than 1000— not less than 3 (2) Occupant load more than 1000 — not less than 4				
1016.1 Travel distance	The open stairways permitted in	7.6* Measurement of Travel	TABLE 1016			Recommend keep the present
limitations. Exits shall be so located on each story such that	2006 IBC Section 1020.1, Exception 8 and 9 have been	<b>Distance to Exits. 7.6.1*</b> The travel distance to an	TRAVEL DIS	WITHOUT	WITH	Florida specific amendments.
the maximum length of exit	relocated in the 2009 IBC to	exit shall be measured on the		SPRINKL		™ere are no conflicts with
access travel, measured from	Section 1016.1, Exception 3 and	floor or other walking surface as		ER	_	NFPA 101 as defined for this
the most remote point within a	4. The intent is that these open	follows:	OCCUPAN	SYSTEM	SYSTE	
story along the natural and	stairways be considered 'exit	(1) Along the centerline of the	CY	(feet)	(feet	<u> </u>
unobstructed path of egress	access' elements so that it is	natural path of travel, starting	R <sup>d</sup>	100°	200 <sup>b</sup>	
travel to an <i>exterior exit</i> door at	clear that the travel distance	from the most remote point	M	150	25 <b>0</b> c	
the level of exit discharge, an	measurement includes the travel	subject to occupancy	A, F-1	200	250b	
entrance to a vertical exit	down the stairway and to an exit	(2) Curving around any corners	Α, Γ-1	Not	2000	,
enclosure, an exit passageway,	door leading either to the	or obstructions, with a 12 in.	I-1	Permitted	250c	
a horizontal exit, an exterior exit	outside or to an enclosed exit	(305 mm) clearance there from	B	200	300c	
stairway or an exterior exit	stairway. Correlative changes	(3) Terminating at one of the	S-1	200	40 <b>0</b> c	
ramp, shall not exceed the	were also included in several	following:	F-2, S-2, U	300	400c	
distances given in Table 1016.1. <b>Exceptions:</b>	other sections including 1007.3, 1021.1 and 1022.1.	(a) Center of the doorway	1 2, 0 2, 0	Not	7000	,
1. Travel distance in <i>open</i>	1021.1 and 1022.1.	(b) Other point at which the exit begins	H-1	Permitted	75c	
parking garages is permitted to		(c) Smoke barrier in an existing		Not	, 00	
be measured to the closest riser		detention and correctional	H-2	Permitted	1000	:
of open exit stairways.		occupancy as provided in		Not		
2. In outdoor facilities with open		Chapter 23	H-3	Permitted	150c	;
exit access components and		3apts: 25		Not		
open <i>exterior exit stairways</i> or		<b>7.6.6</b> Travel distance limitations	H-4	Permitted	17 <b>5</b> c	;
exit ramps, travel distance is		shall be as provided in Chapters		Not		
permitted to be measured to the		11 through 43 and, for high	H-5	Permitted	2000	:
closest riser of an exit stairway		hazard areas, shall be in	E, D, S-2 <sup>f</sup>	150	2000	_
or the closest slope of the exit		accordance with Section 7.11.	I-2, I-3			
ramp.			For SI: 1 foot			
3. In other than occupancy		<b>7.6.5</b> The travel distance in any	following sec	tions for mod	lifications	s to

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Groups H and I, the exit		occupied space to not less than	exit access travel distance	
access travel distance to a		one exit, measured in		
maximum of 50 percent of		accordance with 7.6.1 through		
the exits is permitted to be		7.6.4, shall not exceed the limits		
measured from the most remote		specified in this Code. (See		
point within a building to an exit		7.6.6.)		
using unenclosed exit access				
stairways or ramps when		12.2.6 Travel Distance to		
connecting a maximum of two		Exits.		
stories. The two connected		<b>12.2.6.1</b> Travel distance shall be		
stories shall be provided with at		measured in accordance		
least two <i>means of egress</i> . Such		with Section 7.6.		
interconnected stories shall not		12.2.6.2 Exits shall be arranged		
be open to other stories.		so that the total length of		
4. In other than occupancy		travel from any point to reach an		
Groups H and I, exit access		exit shall not exceed 200 ft		
travel distance is permitted to be		(61 m) in any assembly		
measured from the most remote		occupancy, unless otherwise		
point within a building to an exit		permitted		
using unenclosed exit access		by the following:		
stairways or ramps in the first		(1) The travel distance shall not		
and second stories above grade		exceed 250 ft (76 m) in		
plane in buildings equipped		assembly		
throughout with an automatic		occupancies protected		
sprinkler system in accordance		throughout by an approved,		
with Section 903.3.1.1. The first		supervised automatic sprinkler		
and second stories above grade		system in accordance		
plane shall be provided with at		with Section 9.7.		
least two <i>means of egress</i> . Such		(2) The travel distance		
interconnected stories shall not		requirement shall not apply to		
be open to other stories. Where		smoke protected assembly		
applicable, travel distance on		seating as permitted by		
unenclosed exit access		12.4.2.11, 12.4.2.12, and		
stairways or ramps and on		12.4.2.13.		

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connecting stories shall also be		14.2.6.1 Travel distance shall be		
included in the travel distance		measured in accordance with		
measurement. The		Section 7.6.		
measurement along stairways		14.2.6.2 Travel distance to an		
shall be made on a plane		exit shall not exceed 150 ft (46		
parallel and tangent to the stair		m) from any point in a building,		
tread <i>nosings</i> in the center of		unless otherwise provided in		
TABLE 1016.1  EXIT ACCESS TRAVEL DISTANCE*  WITHOUT SPRINKLER  WITH SPRINKLER		14.2.6.3. (See also Section 7.6.)		
WITHOUT SPRINKLER		14.2.6.3 Travel distance shall		
I-1 Not Permitted 250°  B 2000 300°  F-2, S-2, U 300 400°		not exceed 200 ft (61 m) in		
H-2, S-2, U 300 400° H-1 Not Permitted 75° H-2 Not Permitted 100°		educational occupancies		
H-3 Not Permitted 150* H-4 Not Permitted 175*		protected throughout by an		
H-5 Not Permitted 200° 1-2, 1-3, 1-4 Not Permitted 200°		approved, supervised automatic		
For SE 1 foot = 304.8 mm.  A See the following sections for modifications to exit access travel distance resources of the section 402.4 For the distance limitation in malls.		sprinkler system in accordance		
Section 101.8 for the distance limitation brough as arism space. Section 101.6 for the distance limitation for long plan arism space. Section 101.6 for the distance limitation in forcing plan 12. Section 101.6 for the distance limitation in special assessment buildings. Section 101.6 for the distance limitation is drough a large-size limitation. Section 101.6 for the distance limitation in Group 1-2 lineapital suites. Section 101.6 for the distance limitation in originaries to machinery		with Section 9.7.		
Section 1013-5: For the distance limitation in refrigerated rooms and spaces. Section 1013-2: For buildings with one exist. Section 1023-7: For incremed limitation in accombly senting. Section 1023-7: For incremed limitation for accombly opening.		16.6.2.6 Travel Distance.		
Section 310.4: For temporary structures. Section 310.4: For productine unalkneys. b. Buddings equipped throughout with an automatic sprinkler system in accordance with Section 300.3.1. Los 400.3.1.2. Sec. Section 400.0 for accordance with Section 400.3.1. Los 400.3.1.2. Sec. Section 400.0 for accordance is		Travel distance shall comply		
under windstand without the control of the control		with 16.6.2.6.1 through		
		16.6.2.6.3.		
		16.6.2.6.1 Travel distance shall		
		be measured in accordance with		
		Section 7.6.		
		16.6.2.6.2 Travel distance shall		
		meet the following criteria,		
		unless otherwise permitted by		
		16.6.2.6.3:		
		(1) The travel distance between		
		any room door intended as an		
		exit access and an exit shall not		
		exceed 100 ft (30 m).		
		(2) The travel distance between		
		any point in a room and an exit		
		shall not exceed 150 ft (46 m).		

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		(3) The travel distance between		
		any point in a sleeping room and		
		an exit access to that room shall		
		not exceed 50 ft (15 m).		
		16.6.2.6.3 The travel distance		
		required by 16.6.2.6.2(1) and		
		(2) shall be permitted to be		
		increased by 50 ft (15 m) in		
		buildings protected throughout		
		by an approved, supervised		
		automatic sprinkler system in		
		accordance with Section 9.7.		
		18.2.6 Travel Distance to		
		Exits.		
		<b>18.2.6.1</b> Travel distance shall be		
		measured in accordance with		
		Section 7.6.		
		18.2.6.2 Travel distance shall		
		comply with 18.2.6.2.1 through		
		18.2.6.2.4.		
		18.2.6.2.1 The travel distance		
		between any point in a room		
		and an exit shall not exceed 200		
		ft (61 m).		
		20.2.6 Travel Distance to		
		Exits.		
		20.2.6.1 Travel distance shall be		
		measured in accordance with		
		Section 7.6.		
		20.2.6.2 Travel distance shall be		
		as follows:		
		(1) The travel distance between		
		any room door required as an		
		exit access and an exit shall not		

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		exceed 100 ft (30 m).		
		(2) The travel distance between		
		any point in a room and an exit		
		shall not exceed 150 ft (46 m).		
		22.2.6 Travel Distance to		
		Exits. Travel distance shall		
		comply with 22.2.6.1 through		
		22.2.6.7.		
		22.2.6.1 Travel distance shall be		
		measured in accordance with		
		Section 7.6.		
		22.2.6.2 The travel distance		
		between any room door required		
		as an exit access and an exit		
		shall not exceed 150 ft (46 m).		
		22.2.6.3 Reserved.		
		22.2.6.4 The travel distance		
		between any point in a room		
		and an exit shall not exceed 200		
		ft (61 m).		
		22.2.6.5 Reserved.		
		22.2.6.6 The travel distance		
		between any point in a sleeping		
		room to the door in that room		
		shall not exceed 50 ft (15 m),		
		unless otherwise permitted by		
		22.2.6.7.		
		22.2.6.7 The maximum travel		
		distance limitation of 22.2.6.6		
		shall be permitted to be		
		increased to 100 ft (30 m) in		
		open dormitories, provided that		
		the following criteria are met:		
		(1) The enclosing walls of the		

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		dormitory space shall be of		
		smoke-tight construction.		
		(2) Not less than two exit access		
		doors remotely located from		
		each other shall be provided		
		where travel distance to the		
		exit access door from any point		
		within the dormitory exceeds		
		50 ft (15 m).		
		28.2.6 Travel Distance to		
		Exits.		
		28.2.6.1 Travel distance within a		
		guest room or guest suite to a		
		corridor door shall not exceed		
		75 ft (23 m) in buildings not		
		protected by an approved,		
		supervised automatic sprinkler		
		system in accordance with		
		28.3.5.		
		28.2.6.2 Travel distance within a		
		guest room or guest suite to		
		a corridor door shall not exceed		
		125 ft (38 m) in buildings		
		protected by an approved,		
		supervised automatic sprinkler		
		system in accordance with 28.3.5.		
		28.2.6.3 Travel distance from		
		the corridor door of any guest		
		room or guest suite to the		
		nearest exit shall comply with		
		28.2.6.3.1, 28.2.6.3.2, or 28.2.6.3.3.		
		<b>28.2.6.3.1</b> Travel distance from		
		Zo.Z.o.3.1 Traver distance from		

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		the corridor door of any guest		
		room or guest suite to the		
		nearest exit, measured in		
		accordance with Section 7.6,		
		shall not exceed 100 ft (30 m).		
		28.2.6.3.2 Travel distance from		
		the corridor door of any guest		
		room or guest suite to the		
		nearest exit, measured in		
		accordance with Section 7.6,		
		shall not exceed 200 ft (61 m)		
		for exterior ways of exit access		
		arranged in accordance with		
		7.5.3.		
		28.2.6.3.3 Travel distance from		
		the corridor door of any guest		
		room or guest suite to the		
		nearest exit shall comply with		
		28.2.6.3.3.1 and 28.2.6.3.3.2.		
		<b>28.2.6.3.3.1</b> Travel distance		
		from the corridor door of any		
		guest room or guest suite to the		
		nearest exit shall be measured		
		in accordance with Section 7.6		
		and shall not exceed 200 ft (61		
		m) where the exit access and		
		any portion of the building that is		
		tributary to the exit access are		
		protected throughout by an		
		approved, supervised automatic		
		sprinkler system in accordance		
		with 28.3.5.		
		<b>28.2.6.3.3.2</b> Where the building		
		is not protected throughout		

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		by an approved, supervised		
		automatic sprinkler system, the		
		200 ft (61 m) travel distance		
		shall be permitted within any		
		portion of the building that is		
		protected by an approved,		
		supervised automatic sprinkler		
		system, provided that the		
		sprinklered portion of the		
		building is separated from any		
		nonsprinklered portion by fire		
		barriers having a fire resistance		
		rating as follows:		
		(1) Minimum 1-hour fire		
		resistance rating for buildings		
		three or fewer stories in height		
		(2) Minimum 2-hour fire		
		resistance rating for buildings		
		four or more stories in height		
		30.2.6 Travel Distance to		
		Exits. Travel distance shall be		
		measured in accordance with		
		Section 7.6.		
		<b>30.2.6.1</b> Travel distance within a		
		dwelling unit (apartment) to a		
		corridor door shall not exceed		
		75 ft (23 m) in buildings not		
		protected throughout by an		
		approved, supervised automatic		
		sprinkler system installed in		
		accordance with 30.3.5.		
		<b>30.2.6.2</b> Travel distance within a		
		dwelling unit (apartment) to a		
		corridor door shall not exceed		

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		125 ft (38 m) in buildings		
		protected throughout by an		
		approved, supervised automatic		
		sprinkler system installed in		
		accordance with 30.3.5.		
		30.2.6.3 The travel distance		
		from a dwelling unit (apartment)		
		entrance door to the nearest exit		
		shall be limited in accordance		
		with 30.2.6.3.1, 30.2.6.3.2, or		
		30.2.6.3.3.		
		30.2.6.3.1 The travel distance		
		from a dwelling unit (apartment)		
		entrance door to the nearest exit		
		shall not exceed 100 ft (30 m).		
		30.2.6.3.2 In buildings protected		
		throughout by an approved,		
		supervised automatic sprinkler		
		system installed in accordance		
		with 30.3.5, the travel distance		
		from a dwelling unit (apartment)		
		entrance door to the nearest exit		
		shall not exceed 200 ft (61 m).		
		30.2.6.3.3 The travel distance		
		from a dwelling unit (apartment)		
		entrance door to the nearest exit		
		shall not exceed 200 ft (61 m)		
		for exterior ways of exit access		
		arranged in accordance with		
		7.5.3.		
		<b>30.2.6.4</b> The travel distance,		
		from areas other than those		
		within living units, to the exit,		
		shall not exceed 200 ft (61 m),		

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		or 250 ft (76 m) in buildings		
		protected throughout by an		
		approved, supervised automatic		
		sprinkler system installed in		
		accordance with 30.3.5.5.		
		36.2.6 Travel Distance to		
		Exits. Travel distance shall be		
		as specified in 36.2.6.1,		
		36.2.6.2, and 36.2.6.3 and shall		
		be measured in accordance with		
		Section 7.6.		
		36.2.6.1 In mercantile		
		occupancies classified as		
		ordinary hazard, travel distance		
		shall not exceed 150 ft (46 m).		
		36.2.6.2 In mercantile		
		occupancies classified as		
		ordinary hazard in buildings		
		protected throughout by an		
		approved, supervised automatic		
		sprinkler system in accordance		
		with 9.7.1.1(1), travel distance		
		shall not exceed 250 ft (76 m).		
		36.2.6.3 In mercantile		
		occupancies classified as high		
		hazard, travel distance shall not		
		exceed 75 ft (23 m).		
		38.2.6 Travel Distance to		
		Exits. Travel distance shall		
		comply with 38.2.6.1 through		
		38.2.6.3.		
		<b>38.2.6.1</b> Travel distance shall be		
		measured in accordance with		
		Section 7.6.		

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		38.2.6.2 Travel distance to an exit shall not exceed 200 ft (61 m) from any point in a building, unless otherwise permitted by 38.2.6.3.  38.2.6.3 Travel distance shall not exceed 300 ft (91 m) in business occupancies protected throughout by an approved, supervised automatic sprinkler system in accordance with Section 9.7.  Table 40.2.6 Maximum Travel Distance to Exits    Concret   Special Purpose   High Hazard Industrial   Indust		
1016.2	The allowance for an increased travel distance in fully-sprinklered Group F-1 and S-1 occupancies that are provided with automatic smoke and heat vents has been eliminated.	Table 42.2.6 Maximum Travel Dissance to Exist    Confinery   Hannel     Law of	NA	NA
<b>1017.1 General.</b> Aisles serving as a portion of the exit access in the means of egress system shall comply with the	The requirements for Aisles have been relocated to their own section.		NA	NA

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requirements of this section.				
Aisles shall be provided from all				
occupied portions of the exit				
access which contain seats,				
tables, furnishings, displays and				
similar fixtures or equipment.				
Aisles serving assembly areas				
shall comply with Section 1028.				
Aisles serving				
reviewing stands, grandstands				
and <i>bleachers</i> shall also comply				
with Section 1028. The required				
width of aisles shall be				
unobstructed.				
<b>Exception:</b> Doors complying				
with Section 1005.2.				
1008.1.9.5.1 Closet and	In small group homes, Group R-		NA	NA
bathroom doors in Group	4, there is a concern about			
<b>R-4 occupancies.</b> In Group R-4	residents and possible			
occupancies, closet	entrapment issues. Closet doors			
doors that latch in the closed	that latch must be openable			
position shall be	from the inside. Bathroom doors			
openable from inside the closet,	that can be locked from the			
and bathroom doors	inside must also be able to be			
that latch in the closed position	unlocked from the outside by			
shall be capable of	staff.			
being unlocked from the ingress				
side.	Deleved agrees leaks are		NIA.	NIA
1008.1.9.6 Special locking	Delayed egress locks are		NA	NA
arrangements in Group	permitted in limited areas in			
<b>I-2.</b> Approved delayed egress	Group I-2 where the needs of			
locks shall be permitted in	the patients/residents may			
a Group I-2 occupancy where	dictate additional security, such			
the clinical needs of persons	as dementia wards. There is a			

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receiving care require such	partial exception to some of the			
locking. Delayed egress locks	listed requirements in mental			
shall be permitted in such	hospitals.			
occupancies where the building	·			
is equipped throughout with an				
automatic sprinkler system in				
accordance with Section				
903.3.1.1 or an <i>approved</i>				
automatic smoke or heat				
detection system installed in				
accordance with Section 907,				
provided that the doors unlock in				
accordance with Items 1 through				
6 below. A building occupant				
shall not be required to pass				
through more than one door				
equipped with a delayed egress				
lock before entering an exit.				
1. The doors unlock upon				
actuation of the automatic				
sprinkler system or automatic				
fire detection system.				
2. The doors unlock upon loss of				
power controlling the lock or				
lock mechanism.				
3. The door locks shall have the				
capability of being				
unlocked by a signal from the				
fire command center, a nursing				
station or other approved				
location.				
4. The procedures for the				
operation(s) of the unlocking				
system shall be described and				

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approved as part				
of the emergency planning and				
preparedness				
required by Chapter 4 of the				
International Fire				
Code.				
5. All clinical staff shall have the				
keys, codes or other means				
necessary to operate the locking				
devices.				
6. Emergency lighting shall be				
provided at the door.				
Exception: Items 1 through 3				
shall not apply to doors				
to areas where persons,				
because of clinical needs,				
require restraint or containment				
as part of the function				
of a mental hospital.				
1008.1.9.8 Electromagnetically	In specific occupancies, doors in		NA	NA
locked egress doors.	the means of egress are now			
Doors in the <i>means of egress</i>	permitted to be			
that are not otherwise	electromagnetically locked if			
required to have panic hardware	equipped with listed hardware			
in buildings with an	that incorporates a built-in			
occupancy in Group A, B, E, M,	switch that interrupts the power			
R-1 or R-2 and doors to tenant	supply to the electromagnetic			
spaces in Group A, B, E, M, R-1	lock and unlocks the door. The			
or R-2 shall be permitted to be	use of this type of locking			
electromagnetically locked if	system provides for a greater			
equipped with <i>listed</i> hardware	degree of security than that			
that incorporates a built-in	offered by other methods			
switch and meet the	addressed in the code, including			
requirements below:	delayed egress locking systems			

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1. The <i>listed</i> hardware that is affixed to the door leaf has an obvious method of operation that is readily operated under all lighting conditions.  2. The <i>listed</i> hardware is capable of being operated with one hand.  3. Operation of the <i>listed</i> hardware releases to the electromagnetic lock and unlocks the door immediately.  4. Loss of power to the <i>listed</i> hardware automatically unlocks	and egress access control systems.			
the door.  1008.1.9.9 Locking arrangements in correctional facilities. In occupancies in Groups A-2, A-3, A-4, B, E, F, I-2, I-3, M and S within correctional and detention facilities, doors in <i>means of egress</i> serving rooms or spaces occupied by persons whose movements are controlled for security reasons shall be permitted to be locked when equipped with egress control devices which shall unlock manually and by at least one of the following means:  1. Activation of an <i>automatic sprinkler system</i>	Correctional facilities include many different use areas for detainees, including cafeterias, work areas, educational areas, visiting areas, etc. This section allows for the level of security to be maintained throughout the facility as a whole.		NA	NA

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installed in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1; 2. Activation of an approved manual alarm box; or 3. A signal from a constantly attended location.  1008.1.10 Panic and fire exit hardware. Doors serving a Group H occupancy and doors serving rooms or spaces with an occupant load of 50 or more in a Group A or E occupancy shall not be provided with a latch or lock unless it is panic hardware or fire exit hardware.  Exception: A main exit of a Group A occupancy in compliance with Section 1008.1.9.3, Item 2.  Electrical rooms with equipment rated 1,200 amperes or more and over 6 feet (1829 mm) wide that contain overcurrent devices, switching devices or control devices with exit or exit access doors shall be equipped with panic hardware or fire exit hardware. The doors shall swing in the direction of egress travel.	This section was reorganized and divided into three sections. Panic hardware and fire exit hardware installed on means of egress doors must now be listed in accordance with UL 305 Panic Hardware.	7.2.1.7.3 Required panic hardware and fire exit hardware, in other than detention and correctional occupancies as otherwise provided in Chapters 22 and 23, shall not be equipped with any locking device, set screw, or other arrangement that prevents the release of the latch when pressure is applied to the releasing device 12.2.2.3 Any door in a required means of egress from an area having an occupant load of 100 or more persons shall be permitted to be provided with a latch or lock only if the latch or lock is panic hardware or fire exit hardware complying with 7.2.1.7, unless otherwise permitted by the following:  (1) This requirement shall not	NA NA	There are no conflicts with NFPA 101 as defined for this project.
		apply to delayed-egress locks as permitted in 12.2.2.2.5. (2) This requirement shall not apply to access-controlled		

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		egress doors as permitted in 12.2.2.2.6.		
		14.2.2.2.2 Any door in a required means of egress from an area having an occupant load of 100 or more persons shall be permitted to be provided with a latch or lock only if the latch or lock is panic hardware or fire exit hardware complying with 7.2.1.7.		
		16.2.2.2.2 Panic Hardware or Fire Exit Hardware. Any door in a required means of egress from an area having an occupant load of 100 or more persons shall be permitted to be provided with a latch or lock only if the latch or lock is panic hardware or fire exit hardware complying with 7.2.1.7.		
1008.1.10.1 Installation. Where panic or <i>fire exit hardware</i> is installed, it shall comply with the following:  1. Panic hardware shall be <i>listed</i> in accordance with UL 305;  2. <i>Fire exit hardware</i> shall be	See 1008.1.10		NA	NA

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listed in accordance with UL 10C and UL 305; 3. The actuating portion of the releasing device shall extend at least one-half of the door leaf width; and 4. The maximum unlatching force shall not exceed 15 pounds (67 N).				
1008.1.10.2 Balanced doors. If balanced doors are used and panic hardware is required, the panic hardware shall be the push-pad type and the pad shall not extend more than one-half the width of the door measured from the latch side.	See 1008.1.10		NA	NA
1009.3 Walkline. The walkline across winder treads shall be concentric to the direction of travel through the turn and located 12 inches (305 mm) from the side where the winders are narrower. The 12-inch (305 mm) dimension shall be measured from the widest point of the clear stair width at the walking surface of the winder. If winders are adjacent within the flight, the point of the adjacent winders shall be used.	Historically, the walk line was 12" from the side of the tread, and this was the point were the tread depth was measured. New language was added to clarify where the walk line would be calculated for winder treads.	WALKINE IS NOT A TERM USED IN NFPA 7.2.2.2.4.2 New winders shall have a tread depth of not less than 6 in. (150 mm) and a tread depth of not less than 11 in. (280 mm) at a point 12 in. (305 mm) from the narrowest edge.	NA	NA
1009.4.5 Profile. The radius of	Per Exception 2, in addition to	7.2.2.3.3.1 Stair treads and	NA	NA

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curvature at the leading edge of	Group I-3, in Group F, H and S	landings shall be solid, without		
the tread shall be not greater	occupancies, open risers are	perforations, unless otherwise		
than 9/16 inch (14.3 mm).	now permitted at stairways	permitted in 7.2.2.3.3.4.		
Beveling of <i>nosings</i> shall not	located in areas not open to the	7.2.2.3.5* Riser Height and		
exceed 9/16 inch (14.3 mm).	public. Per Exceptions 3 and 4,	Tread Depth. Riser height shall		
Risers shall be solid and vertical	spiral stairways and alternating	be measured as the vertical		
or sloped under the tread above	tread devices must be provided	distance between tread nosings.		
from the underside of the <i>nosing</i>	with open risers in order to be	Tread depth shall be measured		
above at an angle not more than	constructed safely and used	horizontally, between the		
30 degrees (0.52 rad) from the	efficiently.	vertical planes of the foremost		
vertical. The leading edge		projection of adjacent treads		
(nosings) of treads shall project		and at a right angle to the		
not more than 11/4 inches (32		tread's leading edge, but shall		
mm) beyond the tread below		not include beveled or rounded		
and all projections of the leading		tread surfaces that slope more		
edges shall be of uniform size,		than 20 degrees (a slope of 1 in		
including the leading edge of the		2.75). At tread nosings, such		
floor at the top of a <i>flight</i> .		beveling or rounding shall not		
Exceptions:		exceed 1/2 in. (13 mm) in		
1. Solid risers are not required		horizontal dimension.		
for stairways that are		<b>7.2.2.3.3.4</b> The requirement of		
not required to comply with		7.2.2.3.3.1 shall not apply to		
Section 1007.3, provided		noncombustible grated stair		
that the opening between treads		treads and landings in the		
does not permit the passage of		following occupancies:		
a sphere with a diameter of 4		(1) Assembly occupancies as		
inches (102 mm).		otherwise provided in Chapters		
2. Solid risers are not required		12 and 13		
for occupancies in Group I-3 or		(2) Detention and correctional		
in Group F, H and S		occupancies as otherwise		
occupancies other than areas		provided in Chapters 22 and 23		
accessible to the public. There		(3) Industrial occupancies as		
are no restrictions on the size of		otherwise provided in Chapter		
the opening in the riser.		40		

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<ul> <li>3. Solid risers are not required for <i>spiral stairways</i> constructed in accordance with Section 1009.9.</li> <li>4. Solid risers are not required for <i>alternating tread devices</i> constructed in accordance with Section 1009.10.</li> </ul>		(4) Storage occupancies as otherwise provided in Chapter 42		
<ul> <li>1009.6.1 Stairway walking surface. The walking surface of treads and landings of a stairway shall not be sloped steeper than one unit vertical in 48 units horizontal (2-percent slope) in any direction. Stairway treads and landings shall have a solid surface. Finish floor surfaces shall be securely attached.</li> <li>Exceptions: <ol> <li>Openings in stair walking surfaces shall be a size that does not permit the passage of 1/2-inch-diameter (12.7 mm) sphere. Elongated opening shall be placed so that the long dimension is perpendicular to the direction of travel.</li> <li>In Group F, H and S occupancies, other than areas of parking structures accessible to the public, openings in treads and landings shall not be</li> </ol> </li></ul>	Exception 1 allows for treads and landings to be constructed of grates that do not allow the passage of a ½" sphere. This will be very beneficial in areas where the accumulation of water or snow on stair surfaces can be a safety hazard.	7.2.2.3.4* Tread and Landing Slope. The tread and landing slope shall not exceed 1/4 in./ft (21 mm/m) (a slope of 1 in 48).	NA	NA

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prohibited provided a sphere with a diameter of 11/8inches (29 mm) cannot pass through the opening.				
shall have handrails on each side and shall comply with Section 1012. Where glass is used to provide the handrail, the handrail shall also comply with Section 2407.  Exceptions:  1. Handrails for aisle stairs are not required where permitted by Section 1028.13.  2. Stairways within dwelling units, spiral stairways and aisle stairs serving seating only on one side are permitted to have a handrail on one side only.  3. Decks, patios and walkways that have a single change in elevation where the landing depth on each side of the change of elevation is greater than what is required for a landing do not require handrails.  4. In Group R-3 occupancies, a change in elevation consisting of a single riser at an entrance or egress door does not require handrails.  5. Changes in room elevations	Revisions to Exception 5 now allow for within dwelling units and sleeping units of Group R-2 and R-3 occupancies, that a handrail is now only required for stairs having four or more risers.		NA	NA

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of three or fewer risers within dwelling units and sleeping units in Group R-2 and R-3 do not require handrails.				
1009.14 Stairway to elevator equipment. Roofs and penthouses containing elevator equipment that must be accessed for maintenance are required to be accessed by a stairway.	Where access to a roof or rooftop penthouse is required in order to maintain elevator equipment, a stairway must be provided for access purposes.		NA	NA
1010.9.1 Curb, rail, wall or barrier. A curb, rail, wall or barrier shall be provided to serve as edge protection. A curb must be a minimum of 4 inches (102 mm) in height. Barriers must be constructed so that the barrier prevents the passage of a 4-inch-diameter (102 mm) sphere, where any portion of the sphere is within 4 inches (102 mm)of the floor or ground surface.	The minimum required height of 4 inches for a curb used as edge protection at the side of ramps and ramp landings has been clarified.	7.2.5.3.3 Drop-Offs. Ramps and landings with drop-offs shall have curbs, walls, railings, or projecting surfaces that prevent people from traveling off the edge of the ramp. Curbs or barriers shall be not less than 4 in. (100 mm) in height.	NA	NA
1011.1 Where required. Exits and exit access doors shall be marked by an approved exit sign readily visible from any direction of egress travel. The path of egress travel to exits and within exits shall be marked by readily visible exit signs to clearly indicate the direction of egress	In buildings with complicated means of egress systems, it is possible that egress travel within the exits may not be immediately apparent to the occupants. For this reason, exit signs must also be provided for those portions within exits, such as exit passageways, where		NA	NA

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travel in cases where the	such signs are necessary to			
exit or the path of egress travel	provide clear egress direction			
is not immediately visible to the	for the occupants.			
occupants. Intervening <i>means of</i>	·			
egress doors within exits shall				
be marked by <i>exit</i> signs. <i>Exit</i>				
sign placement shall be such				
that no point in an exit access				
corridor or exit passageway is				
more than 100 feet (30 480 mm)				
or the <i>listed</i> viewing distance for				
the sign, whichever is less, from				
the nearest visible <i>exit</i> sign.				
Exceptions:				
1. Exit signs are not required in				
rooms or areas that require only				
one exit or exit access.				
2. Main exterior <i>exit</i> doors or				
gates that are obviously and				
clearly identifiable as exits need				
not have exit signs where				
approved by the building official.				
3. Exit signs are not required in				
occupancies in Group U and				
individual sleeping units or				
dwelling units in Group R-1, R-2				
or R-3.				
4. Exit signs are not required in				
dayrooms, sleeping rooms or				
dormitories in occupancies in				
Group I-3.				
5. In occupancies in Groups A-4				
and A-5, <i>exit</i> signs are not				
required on the seating side of				

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vomitories or openings into seating areas where <i>exit</i> signs are provided in the concourse that are readily apparent from the vomitories. Egress lighting is provided to identify each vomitory or opening within the				
seating area in an emergency.  1011.4 Internally illuminated exit signs. Electrically powered, self-luminous and photoluminescent exit signs shall be listed and labeled in accordance with UL 924 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions and Chapter 27. Exit signs shall be illuminated at all times.	Internally illuminated exit signs, including electrically powered, self-luminous and photoluminescent signs, are now required to be listed and labeled per UL 924.		NA	NA
1018.4 Dead ends. Where more than one exit or exit access doorway is required, the exit access shall be arranged such that there are no dead ends in corridors more than 20 feet (6096 mm) in length.  Exceptions:  1. In occupancies in Group I-3 of Occupancy Condition 2, 3 or 4 (see Section 308.4), the dead end in a corridor shall not exceed 50 feet (15 240 mm).  2. In occupancies in Groups B, E, F, I-1, M, R-1, R-2,	Exception 2 has been amended so that in addition to Group B and F, the permissible length of a dead-end corridor is 50 feet in Group E, I-1, M, R-1, R-2, R-4, S and U occupancies when the building is provided throughout with an NFPA 13 automatic sprinkler system.	7.5.1.5* Exit access shall be arranged so that there are no dead ends in corridors, unless permitted by, and limited to the lengths specified in, Chapters 11 through 43. 7.5.3.3 Exterior exit access balconies shall be separated from the interior of the building by walls and opening protectives as required for corridors, unless the exterior exit access balcony is served by at least two remote	NA	There are no conflicts with NFPA 101 as defined for this project.

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R-4, S and U, where the building		stairs that can be accessed		
is equipped throughout with an		without any occupant traveling		
automatic sprinkler system in		past an unprotected opening		
accordance with Section		to reach one of the stairs, or		
903.3.1.1, the length of the		unless dead ends on the		
dead-end corridors shall not		exterior		
exceed 50 feet (15 240		exit access do not exceed 20 ft		
mm).		(6100 mm).		
3. A dead-end <i>corridor</i> shall not		<b>7.11.5</b> Means of egress, for		
be limited in length		rooms or spaces other than		
where the length of the dead-		those that meet the criteria of		
end corridor is less than		7.11.4(1) through (3), shall be		
2.5 times the least width of the		arranged so that there are no		
dead-end corridor.		dead ends in corridors.		
		<b>7.11.4</b> Not less than two means		
		of egress shall be provided		
		from each building or hazardous		
		area thereof, unless all of the		
		following criteria are met:		
		(1) Rooms or spaces do not		
		exceed 200 ft2 (18.6 m2).		
		(2) Rooms or spaces have an		
		occupant load not exceeding		
		three persons.		
		(3) Rooms or spaces have a		
		travel distance to the room door		
		not exceeding 25 ft (7620 mm).		
		12.2.5.1.3 Dead-end corridors		
		shall not exceed 20 ft		
		(6100 mm).		
		14.2.5.2 No dead-end corridor		
		shall exceed 20 ft (6100 mm),		
		other than in buildings protected		
		throughout by an approved,		

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		supervised automatic sprinkler		
		system in accordance with		
		Section 9.7, in which case dead-		
		end corridors shall not exceed		
		50 ft (15 m).		
		16.2.5.2 No dead-end corridor		
		shall exceed 20 ft (6100 mm),		
		other than in buildings protected		
		throughout by an approved,		
		supervised automatic sprinkler		
		system in accordance with		
		Section 9.7, in which case dead-		
		end corridors shall not exceed		
		50 ft (15 m).		
		<b>16.6.2.5.3</b> No dead-end		
		corridors shall exceed 20 ft		
		(6100 mm).		
		18.2.5.2 Dead-End Corridors.		
		Dead-end corridors shall not		
		exceed 30 ft (9.1 m).		
		22.2.5.2 No exit or exit access		
		shall contain a corridor, a		
		hallway, or an aisle having a		
		pocket or dead end exceeding		
		50 ft (15 m) for Use Condition II,		
		Use Condition III, or Use		
		Condition IV and 20 ft (6100		
		mm) for Use Condition V.		
		28.2.5.5 In buildings not		
		protected throughout by an		
		approved, automatic sprinkler		
		system in accordance with		
		28.3.5, dead-end corridors shall		
		not exceed 35 ft (10.7 m).		

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		30.2.5.4 Dead-end corridors		
		shall be limited in accordance		
		with either 30.2.5.4.1 or		
		30.2.5.4.2.		
		30.2.5.4.1 Dead-end corridors		
		shall not exceed 35 ft (10.7 m)		
		in buildings not protected		
		throughout by an approved		
		automatic sprinkler system in		
		accordance with 30.3.5.		
		<b>30.2.5.4.2</b> Dead-end corridors		
		shall not exceed 50 ft (15 m)		
		in buildings protected		
		throughout by an approved,		
		supervised automatic sprinkler		
		system in accordance with		
		30.3.5.		
		32.3.2.5.4 Dead-end corridors		
		shall not exceed 30 ft (9.1 mm).		
		<b>36.2.5.2.1</b> In buildings protected		
		throughout by an approved,		
		supervised automatic sprinkler		
		system in accordance with		
		9.7.1.1(1), dead-end corridors		
		shall not exceed 50 ft (15 m).		
		36.2.5.2.2 In all buildings not		
		complying with 36.2.5.2.1, dead-		
		end corridors shall not exceed		
		20 ft (6100 mm).		
		<b>36.4.4.3.1</b> Dead ends not		
		exceeding a length equal to		
		twice the width of the mall,		
		measured at the narrowest		
		location within the dead-end		

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		portion of the mall, shall be permitted.  38.2.5.2 Dead-end corridors shall be permitted in accordance with 38.2.5.2.1 or 38.2.5.2.2.  38.2.5.2.1 In buildings protected throughout by an approved, supervised automatic sprinkler system in accordance with 9.7.1.1(1), dead-end corridors shall not exceed 50 ft (15 m).  38.2.5.2.2 In buildings other than those complying with 38.2.5.2.2 In buildings other than those complying with 38.2.5.2.1, dead-end corridors shall not exceed 20 ft (6100 mm).  Table 40.2.5 Arrangement of Means of Egress    General Industrial   Special Purpose Industrial Industrial   High Hazard Industrial Industrial   High Hazard   High Hazard Industrial   High Hazard   High Hazard		

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		<b>40.6.3</b> Dead ends shall not exceed 50 ft (15 m) for other than high hazard contents areas and shall not be permitted for high hazard contents areas.		
		Table 42.2.5 Arrangements of Means of Egress		
		Level of Storage Protection Occupancy ft m Occupancy  Occupancy ft m Occupancy  Ordinary Hazard Storage Occupancy Storage Occupancy Tight Hazard Storage Occupancy		
		Dead-End Corridor Protected NL 100 30 Prohibited, throughout by an approved, except as approved, permitted supervised by 7.11.4 syrinkler system		
		in accordance with 9.7.1.(1)  Not protected NL 50 15 Prohibited, throughout by an approved, permitted supervised by 7.11.4 automatic sprinkler system in accordance with 9.7.1.1(1)		
		Common Path of Travel Protected NL 100 30 Prohibited, throughout by an except as approved, permitted supervised by 7.11.4 automatic sprinkler system in accordance		
		with 9.7.1.1(1)  Not protected NL 50 15 Prohibited, throughout by an except as approved, permitted supervised by 7.11.4 automatic sprinkler system in accordance with 9.7.1.1(1)		
		NL: Not limited.		
		<b>42.6.3</b> Dead ends shall not exceed 50 ft (15 m) for other than high hazard contents areas		
		and shall not be permitted for high hazard contents areas. <b>42.8.2.5.3.2</b> Within closed		
		parking structures containing fuel dispensing devices, exits shall be arranged and located to		

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		meet the following additional requirements: (1) Exits shall lead to the outside of the building on the same level or to stairs, with no upward travel permitted, unless direct outside exits are available from that floor. (2) Any story below the story at which fuel is being dispensed shall have exits leading directly to the outside via outside stairs or doors at the finished ground level.		
1019.1 General. Balconies used for egress purposes shall conform to the same requirements as <i>corridors</i> for width, headroom, dead ends and projections.	The requirements for Egress balconies have been relocated to their own section.		NA	NA
1021.1 Exits from stories. All spaces within each story shall have access to the minimum number of approved independent exits as specified in Table 1021.1 based on the occupant load of the story. For the purposes of this chapter, occupied roofs shall be provided with exits as required for stories. Exceptions:  1. As modified by Section 403.5.2.	Exception 1 was added as correlation with the third stairway required in highrise building of 420 ft. or higher. Exceptions 2 and 3 were added as part of the correlation efforts between exit and exit access stairways as a component of a means of egress. The purpose of Exception 4 is to allow single exits from some dwelling units. The purpose of Exception 5 is to allow for spaces the have exits		Exceptions:  1 – 5 No change 6. A fenced outdoor assembly occupancy shall have at least two widely separated means of egress from the enclosure. If more than 6,000 persons are to be served by such means of egress, there shall be at least three means of egress; if more than 9,000 persons are to be served, there shall be at least	NA

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2. As modified by Section	independent of the building		four means of egress.	
1021.2.	exits.			
3. Exit access stairways and				
ramps that comply with				
Exception 3 or 4 of Section				
1016.1 shall be permitted				
to provide the minimum number				
of approved independent exits				
required by Table 1021.1 on				
each story.				
4. In Group R-2 and R-3				
occupancies, one <i>means of</i>				
egress is permitted within and				
from individual dwelling				
units with a maximum occupant				
load of 20 where the dwelling				
unit is equipped throughout with				
an automatic sprinkler system in				
accordance with Section				
903.3.1.1 or 903.3.1.2.				
5. Within a <i>story</i> , rooms and				
spaces complying with				
Section 1015.1 with <i>exits</i> that				
discharge directly to the				
exterior at the level of exit				
discharge, are permitted to have				
one exit.	The manifest and for exite to be		NIA.	NIA.
1021.1.1 Exits maintained. The	The requirement for exits to be		NA	NA
required number of <i>exits</i> from	maintained until arrival at grade			
any story shall be maintained	was relocated from 2006 IBC Section 1019.1 so that it was			
until arrival at grade or the				
public way.	clear that the exceptions were not applicable to this portion of			
	exit requirements.			
	exit requirements.			

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1021.2 Single exits. Only one exit shall be required from Group R-3 occupancy buildings or from stories of other buildings as indicated in Table 1021.2. Occupancies shall be permitted to have a single exit in buildings otherwise required to have more than one exit if the areas served by the single exit do not exceed the limitations of Table 1021.2. Mixed occupancies shall be permitted to be served by single exits provided each individual occupancy complies with the applicable requirements of Table 1021.2 for that occupancy. Where applicable, cumulative occupant loads from adjacent occupancies shall be considered in accordance with the provisions of Section 1004.1. Basements with a single exit shall not be located more than one story below grade plane.	The allowance for single exit buildings has been clarified to address egress from individual stories within the buildings. The focus has shifted from single-exit buildings to single-exit stories within buildings. This allows the table to address mixed occupancies.		Table 1021.2 Buildings with One Exit. Revise the 1 <sup>st</sup> raw under "Occupancy" to add "D".	NA NA
The Part of the Pa	See 1021.2		NA	NA
1022.1 Enclosures required.  Interior exit stairways and interior exit ramps shall be enclosed with fire barriers	Consistent with the provisions for shaft enclosures, the fire-resistance rating of an exit enclosure cannot be less than		NA	NA

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constructed in accordance with	the rating of the floor			
Section 707 or horizontal	construction penetrated by the			
assemblies constructed in	enclosure. It is clarified that the			
accordance with Section 712, or	exit enclosure can discharge to			
both. Exit enclosures shall have	either the outside of the building			
a fire-resistance rating of not	or an exit passageway. A new			
less than 2 hours where	Exception 7 coordinates with			
connecting four stories or more	Sectio 1028.5.1 for open			
and not less than 1 hour where	stairways from balconies,			
connecting less than four	galleries and press boxes.			
stories. The number of stories	Previous exceptions 8 and 9			
connected by the exit enclosure	were relocated to Section			
shall include any basements but	1016.1 (see Section 1016.1).			
not any <i>mezzanines</i> . Exit				
enclosures shall have a fire-				
resistance rating not less than				
the floor assembly penetrated,				
but need not exceed 2 hours.				
Exit enclosures shall lead				
directly to the exterior of the				
building or shall be extended to				
the exterior of the building with				
an exit passageway conforming				
to the requirements of Section				
1023, except as permitted in				
Section 1027.1. An exit				
enclosure shall not be used for				
any purpose other than <i>means</i>				
of egress.				
Exceptions:				
1. In all occupancies, other than				
Group H and I occupancies, a				
stairway is not required to be				
enclosed when the stairway				

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serves an <i>occupant load</i> of less			With 2000 Cappionion	
than 10 and the <i>stairway</i>				
complies with either Item 1.1 or				
1.2. In all cases, the maximum				
number of connecting open				
stories shall not exceed two.				
1.1. The <i>stairway</i> is open to not				
more than one <i>story</i> above its				
level of exit discharge, or				
1.2. The <i>stairway</i> is open to not				
more than one <i>story</i> below its				
level of exit discharge.				
2. <i>Exits</i> in buildings of Group A-				
5 where all portions of the				
means of egress are essentially				
open to the outside need not be				
enclosed.				
3. Stairways serving and				
contained within a single				
residential dwelling unit or				
sleeping unit in Group R-1,				
R-2 or R-3 occupancies are not				
required to be enclosed.				
4. Stairways in open parking				
structures that serve only the				
parking structure are not				
required to be enclosed.				
5. Stairways in Group I-3				
occupancies, as provided for in				
Section 408.3.8, are not				
required to be enclosed.				
6. Means of egress stairways as				
required by Sections				
410.5.3 and 1015.6.1 are not				

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required to be enclosed.  7. Means of egress stairways from balconies, galleries or press boxes as provided for in Section 1028.5.1 are not required to be enclosed.  1022.9.1 Termination and extension. A smokeproof enclosure or pressurized stairway shall terminate at an exit discharge or a public way. The smokeproof enclosure or pressurized stairway shall be permitted to be extended by an exit passageway in accordance with Section 1022.2. The exit passageway shall be without openings other than the fire door assembly required by Section 1022.2 and those necessary for egress from the exit passageway. The exit passageway shall be separated from the remainder of the building by 2-hour fire barriers constructed in accordance with Section 707 or horizontal assemblies constructed in accordance with Section 712, or both.  Exceptions:	This revision allows smokeproof enclosures and pressurized stairways to terminate at an exit discharge or exit passageway similar to exit enclosures.	7.2.3.3 Enclosure. A smokeproof enclosure shall be enclosed from the highest point to the lowest point by barriers having 2-hour fire resistance ratings. Where a vestibule is used, it shall be within the 2-hour-rated enclosure and shall be considered part of the smokeproof enclosure.	NA NA	NA NA
Openings in the <i>exit</i> passageway serving a     smokeproof enclosure are				

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permitted where the exit				
passageway is protected and				
pressurized in the same manner				
as the <i>smokeproof enclosure</i> ,				
and openings are protected as				
required for access from other				
floors.				
2. Openings in the exit				
passageway serving a				
pressurized stairway are				
permitted where the exit				
passageway is protected and				
pressurized in the same manner				
as the pressurized stairway.				
3. The <i>fire barrier</i> separating the				
smokeproof enclosure or				
pressurized stairway from the				
exit passageway is not required,				
provided the <i>exit</i>				
passageway is protected and				
pressurized in the				
same manner as the				
smokeproof enclosure or				
pressurized stairway.				
4. A smokeproof enclosure or				
pressurized stairway shall be				
permitted to egress through				
areas on the level of discharge				
or vestibules as permitted by				
Section 1027.				
1024.1 General. Approved	Photoluminescent or self-	7.10.1.6* Floor Proximity Exit	NA	NA
luminous egress path markings	luminous exit path markings are	Signs. Where floor proximity		
delineating the exit path shall be	now required in exit enclosures	exit signs are required in		
provided in buildings of Groups	and exit passageways of high-	Chapters 11 through 43, such		

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A, B, E, I, M and R-1 having occupied floors located more than 75 feet (22 860 mm) above the lowest level of fire department vehicle access in accordance with Sections 1024.1 through 1024.5.  Exceptions:  1. Luminous egress path markings shall not be required on the level of exit discharge in lobbies that serve as part of the exit path in accordance with Section 1027.1, Exception 1.  2. Luminous egress path markings shall not be required in areas of open parking garages that serve as part of the exit path in accordance with Section 1027.1, Exception 3.	rise buildings in order to delineate the exit path.	signs shall comply with 7.10.3, 7.10.4, 7.10.5, and 7.10.6 for externally illuminated signs and 7.10.7 for internally illuminated signs. Such signs shall be located near the floor level in addition to those signs required for doors or corridors. The bottom of the sign shall be not less than 6 in. (150 mm), but not more than 18 in. (455 mm), above the floor. For exit doors, the sign shall be mounted on the door or adjacent to the door, with the nearest edge of the sign within 4 in. (100 mm) of the door frame. 7.10.1.7* Floor Proximity Egress Path Marking. Where floor proximity egress path marking is required in Chapters 11 through 43, an approved floor proximity egress path marking system that is internally illuminated shall be installed within 18 in. (455 mm) of the floor. Floor proximity egress path marking systems shall be listed in accordance with ANSI/UL 1994, Standard		

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		for Luminous Egress Path Marking Systems. The system shall provide a visible delineation of the path of travel along the designated exit access and shall be essentially continuous, except as interrupted by doorways, hallways, corridors, or other such architectural features. The system shall operate continuously or at any time the building fire alarm system is activated. The activation, duration, and continuity of operation of the system shall be in accordance with 7.9.2. The system shall be maintained in accordance with the product manufacturing listing. 12.4.7.7.2 Floor proximity exit signs shall be provided in accordance with 7.10.1.6.		
discharge directly to the exterior of the building. The exit discharge shall be at grade or shall provide direct access to	The options of exit discharge through a lobby or through a vestibule (Exceptions 1 and 2) combined can only make up ½ of the exits. Previously, the	7.7 Discharge from Exits. 7.7.1* Exit Termination. Exits shall terminate directly, at a public way or at an exterior exit discharge, unless otherwise	NA	NA

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grade. The exit discharge shall	exceptions could be taken	provided in 7.7.1.2 through		
not reenter a building. The	individually and possibly be	7.7.1.4.		
combined use of Exceptions 1	100% of the exits. A new	7.7.1.1 Yards, courts, open		
and 2 below shall not exceed 50	exception 4 clarifies that	spaces, or other portions of the		
percent of the number and	horizontal exits do not have to	exit discharge shall be of the		
capacity of the required exits.	discharge to the exterior of a	required width and size to		
Exceptions:	building.	provide		
1. A maximum of 50 percent of		all occupants with a safe access		
the number and capacity of the		to a public way.		
exit enclosures is permitted to		<b>7.7.1.2</b> The requirement of 7.7.1		
egress through areas on the		shall not apply to interior		
level of discharge provided all of		exit discharge as otherwise		
the following are met:		provided in 7.7.2.		
1.1. Such <i>exit enclosures</i> egress		<b>7.7.1.3</b> The requirement of 7.7.1		
to a free and unobstructed path		shall not apply to rooftop		
of travel to an exterior exit		exit discharge as otherwise		
door and such exit is readily		provided in 7.7.6.		
visible and identifiable		7.7.1.4 Means of egress shall be		
from the point of termination of		permitted to terminate in an		
the exit enclosure.		exterior area of refuge for		
1.2. The entire area of the <i>level</i>		detention and correctional		
of exit discharge is separated		occupancies		
from areas below by		as otherwise provided in		
construction conforming to the		Chapters 22 and 23.		
fire-resistance rating for the exit		7.7.2 Discharge Through		
enclosure.		Areas on Level of Exit		
1.3. The egress path from the		Discharge.		
exit enclosure on the level of		Not more than 50 percent of the		
exit discharge is protected		required number of exits,		
throughout by an approved		and not more than 50 percent of		
automatic sprinkler system.		the required egress capacity,		
All portions of the level of exit		shall discharge through areas		
discharge with access to the		on the level of exit discharge,		
egress path shall either be		unless otherwise permitted in		

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protected throughout with an		7.7.2.1 and 7.7.2.2 and provided		
automatic sprinkler system		that the criteria of 7.7.2.3		
installed in accordance with		through 7.7.2.7 also are met.		
Section 903.3.1.1 or 903.3.1.2,		<b>7.7.2.1</b> One hundred percent of		
or separated from the egress		the exits shall be permitted		
path in accordance with the		to discharge through areas on		
requirements for the enclosure		the level of exit discharge in		
of exits.		detention and correctional		
2. A maximum of 50 percent of		occupancies as otherwise		
the number and capacity of the		provided		
exit enclosures is permitted to		in Chapters 22 and 23.		
egress through a vestibule		<b>7.7.2.2</b> In existing buildings, the		
provided all of the following are		50 percent limit on egress		
met:		capacity shall not apply if the 50		
2.1. The entire area of the		percent limit on the required		
vestibule is separated from		number of exits is met.		
areas below by construction		<b>7.7.2.3</b> The discharge specified		
conforming to the fire-resistance		in 7.7.2 shall lead to a free		
rating for the exit enclosure.		and unobstructed way to the		
2.2. The depth from the exterior		exterior of the building, and such		
of the building is		way shall be readily visible and		
not greater than 10 feet (3048		identifiable from the point of		
mm) and the length is not		discharge from the exit.		
greater than 30 feet (9144 mm).		<b>7.7.2.4</b> The level of discharge		
2.3. The area is separated from		shall be protected throughout		
the remainder of		by an approved automatic		
the level of exit discharge by		sprinkler system in accordance		
construction providing		with		
protection at least the equivalent		Section 9.7, or the portion of the		
of approved wired glass in steel		level of discharge used for		
frames.		discharge shall be protected by		
2.4. The area is used only for		an approved automatic sprinkler		
means of egress and exits		system in accordance with		
directly to the outside.		Section 9.7 and shall be		

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3. Stairways in open parking garages complying with Section 1022.1, Exception 4, are permitted to egress through the open parking garage at their levels of exit discharge.  4. Horizontal exits complying with Section 1025 shall not be required to discharge directly to the exterior of the building.		separated from the nonsprinklered portion of the floor by a fire resistance rating meeting the requirements for the enclosure of exits. (See 7.1.3.2.1.) 7.7.2.5 The requirement of 7.7.2.4 shall not apply where the discharge area is a vestibule or foyer that meets all of the following criteria:	with 2003 Supplement	
building.		(1) The depth from the exterior of the building shall be not more than 10 ft (3050 mm), and the length shall be not more than 30 ft (9140 mm).  (2) The foyer shall be separated from the remainder of the level of discharge by construction providing protection not less than the equivalent of wired glass in steel frames.		
		<ul> <li>(3) The foyer shall serve only as means of egress and shall include an exit directly to the outside.</li> <li>7.7.2.6 The entire area on the level of discharge shall be separated from areas below by construction having a fire resistance rating not less than that required</li> </ul>		

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		for the exit enclosure, unless		
		otherwise provided in 7.7.2.7.		
		7.7.2.7 Levels below the level of		
		discharge in an atrium shall		
		be permitted to be open to the		
		level of discharge where such		
		level of discharge is protected in		
		accordance with 8.6.7.		
		7.7.3 Arrangement and		
		Marking of Exit Discharge.		
		7.7.3.1 Where more than one		
		exit discharge is required, exit		
		discharges shall be arranged to		
		meet the remoteness criteria		
		of 7.5.1.3.		
		7.7.3.2 The exit discharge shall		
		be arranged and marked to		
		make clear the direction of		
		egress to a public way. Stairs		
		shall be		
		arranged so as to make clear		
		the direction of egress to a		
		public		
		way. Stairs that continue more		
		than one-half story beyond the		
		level of exit discharge shall be		
		interrupted at the level of exit		
		discharge by partitions, doors,		
		or other effective means.		
		7.7.4 Components of Exit		
		Discharge. Doors, stairs,		
		ramps,		
		corridors, exit passageways,		
		bridges, balconies, escalators,		

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		moving walks, and other components of an exit discharge shall comply with the detailed requirements of this chapter for such components.  7.7.5 Signs. See 7.2.2.5.4.  7.7.6 Discharge to Roofs.  Where approved by the authority having jurisdiction, exits shall be permitted to discharge to roofs or other sections of the building or an adjoining building where the following criteria are met:  (1) The roof/ceiling assembly construction has a fire resistance rating not less than that required for the exit enclosure.  (2) A continuous and safe means of egress from the roof is available.		
1028.1 General. Occupancies in Group A and assembly occupancies accessory to Group E which contain seats, tables, displays, equipment or other material shall comply with this section.	The revised text clarifies that the assembly seating criteria can also be used for assembly spaces that are classified as Group E occupancies.  Correlating provisions occurred in Section 1010.2, 1014.3, 1028.2, 1028.3 and 1028.9.		NA	NA
1028.1.1 Bleachers. Bleachers, grandstands and folding and telescopic seating, that are not	See definition for 'Bleachers', 'Grandstands' and 'Folding and telescopic seating.'		1028.1.1 Bleachers. Reserved.	NA

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building elements, shall comply with ICC 300.				
1028.4 Foyers and lobbies. In Group A-1 occupancies, where persons are admitted to the building at times when seats are not available, such persons shall be allowed to wait in a lobby or similar space, provided such lobby or similar space shall not encroach upon the required clear width of the <i>means of egress</i> .  Such foyer, if not directly connected to a public street by all the main entrances or <i>exits</i> , shall have a straight and unobstructed <i>corridor</i> or path of travel to every such main entrance or <i>exit</i> .	The physical barrier required to separate the waiting areas within lobbies of Group A-1 occupancies from the means of egress paths is no longer mandated.		NA NA	NA NA
1028.5 Interior balcony and gallery means of egress. For balconies, galleries or press boxes having a seating capacity of 50 or more located in Group A occupancies, at least two means of egress shall be provided, with one from each side of every balcony, gallery or press box and at least one leading directly to an exit.	The allowance for a single means of egress where serving a press box with an occupant load of 49 or less has been clarified.		NA	NA

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1028.10 Clear width of aisle	The revised language clarifies	Table 12.2.3.2 Capacity Factors	1028.10 Aisle accessways.	NA
accessways serving seating.	how to measure aisle	Clear Width per Seat Served	The aisle accessway between	
Where seating rows have 14 or	accessways for seats with	Passageways, Ramps, Stairs and Doorways	rows of seating shall have a	
fewer seats, the minimum clear	folding tablet arms.	No. of Seats in. mm in. mm	clear width of not less than 12	
aisle accessway width shall not		Unlimited 0.3 AB 7.6 AB 0.22 C 5.6 C	inches (305 mm), and the	
be less than 12 inches (305		(1) If risers exceed 7 in. in height, the stair width in	minimum width shall be	
mm) measured as the clear		Table 12.2.3.2 shall be multiplied by factor $A$ , where $A$ equals the following:	increased in accordance with	
horizontal distance from the		$A = 1 + \frac{\text{riser height} - 7}{2}$	Sections 1028.10.2 for seating	
back of the row ahead and the		(2) If risers exceed 178 mm in height, the stair width in	not at tables and Section	
nearest projection of the row		Table 12.2.3.2 shall be multiplied by factor $A$ , where $A$ equals the following:	1028.10.2.2 for seating at	
behind.		$A = 1 + \frac{\text{riser height} - 178}{195}$	tables. The width of aisle	
Where chairs have automatic or		(3) Stairs not having a handrail within a 30 in. (760 mm)	access-ways shall be the clear	
self-rising seats, the		horizontal distance shall be $25$ percent wider than other- wise calculated; that is, their width shall be multiplied by factor $B$ , where $B$ equals the following:	horizontal distance from the	
measurement shall be made		ractor $B$ , where $B$ equals the following. $B = 1.25$	back of the row ahead and the	
with seats in the raised position.		(4) Ramps steeper than 1 in 10 slope where used in ascent shall have their width increased by 10 percent; that is,	nearest projection of the row	
Where any chair in the row does		their width shall be multiplied by factor C, where Cequals	behind. Where chairs have	
not have an automatic or self-		C = 1.10	automatic or self-rising seats	
rising seat, the measurements		12.2.3.4 Lighting and Access Catwalks. The requirements of 12.2.3.2 and 12.2.3.3 shall not apply to lighting and access	that comply with ASTM F 851,	
shall be made with the seat in		catwalks as permitted by 12.4.5.9.	Test Method for Self-Rising Seat	
the down position.		<b>12.2.5.4.4</b> * The width of aisle	Mechanisms, the measurement	
For seats with folding tablet		accessways and aisles shall	shall be made with seats in the	
arms, row spacing shall be		provide	raised position. Where any chair	
determined with the tablet arm		sufficient egress capacity for the	in the row does not have an	
in the used position.		number of persons	automatic or self-rising seat, the	
Exception: For seats with		accommodated by the	measurements shall be made	
folding tablet arms, row spacing		catchment area served by the	with the seat in the down	
is permitted to be determined		aisle accessway	position. For seats with folding	
with the tablet arm in the stored		or aisle in accordance with	tablet arms, row spacing shall	
position where the tablet arm		12.2.3.2, or for smokeprotected	be determined with the tablet in	
when raised manually to vertical		assembly seating in accordance	the useable position.	
position in one motion		with 12.4.2.	<b>Exception:</b> When not more than	
automatically returns to the		12.2.5.4.5 Where aisle	four persons are served, there	
stored position by force of		accessways or aisles converge	shall be no minimum clear width	
gravity.		to form a	requirement for the portion of	

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		single path of egress travel, the	the aisle accessway having a	
		required egress capacity of that	length not exceeding 6 feet (1.8	
		path shall be not less than the	m) measured from the center of	
		combined required capacity of	the seat farthest from the aisle.	
		the converging aisle		
		accessways and aisles.		
		<b>12.2.5.4.6</b> Those portions of		
		aisle accessways and aisles		
		where		
		egress is possible in either of		
		two directions shall be uniform		
		in		
		required width, unless otherwise		
		permitted by 12.2.5.4.7.		
		12.2.5.4.7 The requirement of 12.2.5.4.6 shall not apply to		
		those portions of aisle		
		accessways where the required		
		width,		
		not including the seat space		
		described by 12.2.5.7.3, does		
		not		
		exceed 12 in. (305 mm).		
		<b>12.2.5.4.8</b> In the case of side		
		boundaries for aisle accessways		
		or aisles, other than those for		
		nonfixed seating at tables, the		
		clear width shall be measured to		
		boundary elements such as		
		walls, guardrails, handrails,		
		edges of seating, tables, and		
		side		
		edges of treads, and said		
		measurement shall be made		

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horizontally		
seat to the front of the most		
forward projection of the seat		
immediately behind it.		
(2) Where the entire row		
rising		
, and the second		
	to the vertical projection of the elements, resulting in the smallest width measured perpendicularly to the line of travel.  12.2.5.5* Aisle Accessways Serving Seating Not at Tables. 12.2.5.5.1* The required clear width of aisle accessways between rows of seating shall be determined as follows: (1) Horizontal measurements shall be made, between vertical planes, from the back of one seat to the front of the most forward projection of the seat immediately behind it. (2) Where the entire row consists of automatic- or self-	to the vertical projection of the elements, resulting in the smallest width measured perpendicularly to the line of travel.  12.2.5.5.* Aisle Accessways Serving Seating Not at Tables. 12.2.5.1.* The required clear width of aisle accessways between rows of seating shall be determined as follows: (1) Horizontal measurements shall be made, between vertical planes, from the back of one seat to the front of the most forward projection of the seat immediately behind it. (2) Where the entire row consists of automatic- or self-rising seats that comply with ASTM F 851, Standard Test Method for Self-Rising Seat Mechanisms, the measurement shall be permitted to be made with the seats in the up position.  12.2.5.2 The aisle accessway between rows of seating shall have a clear width of not less than 12 in. (305 mm), and this

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	Explanation	a function of row length in accordance with 12.2.5.5.4 and 12.2.5.5.5.  12.2.5.5.3 If used by not more than four persons, no minimum clear width shall be required for the portion of an aisle accessway having a length not exceeding 6 ft (1830 mm), measured from the center of the seat farthest from the aisle.  12.2.5.5.4* Rows of seating served by aisles or doorways at both ends shall not exceed 100 seats per row.  12.2.5.5.4.1 The 12 in. (305 mm) minimum clear width of aisle accessway specified in 12.2.5.5.2 shall be increased by 0.3 in. (7.6 mm) for every seat over a total of 14 but shall not be required to exceed 22 in.		Recommendation
		(560 mm).  12.2.5.5.4.2 The requirement of 12.2.5.5.4.1 shall not apply to smoke-protected assembly seating as permitted by 12.4.2.7.		
		12.2.5.5.5 Rows of seating served by an aisle or doorway at one end only shall have a path of travel not exceeding 30 ft		

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		(9140 mm) in length from any		
		seat to an aisle.		
		<b>12.2.5.5.5.1</b> The 12 in. (305		
		mm) minimum clear width of		
		aisle accessway specified in		
		12.2.5.5.2 shall be increased by		
		0.6 in. (15 mm) for every seat		
		over a total of seven.		
		<b>12.2.5.5.5.2</b> The requirements		
		of 12.2.5.5.5 and 12.2.5.5.5.1		
		shall not apply to smoke-		
		protected assembly seating as		
		permitted		
		by 12.4.2.8 and 12.4.2.9.		
		<b>12.2.5.5.6</b> Rows of seating		
		using tablet-arm chairs shall be		
		permitted only if the clear width		
		of aisle accessways complies		
		with the requirements of		
		12.2.5.5 when measured under		
		one		
		of the following conditions:		
		(1) The clear width is measured		
		with the tablet arm in the		
		usable position.		
		(2) The clear width is measured		
		with the tablet arm in the		
		stored position where the tablet		
		arm automatically returns		
		to the stored position when		
		raised manually to a		
		vertical position in one motion		
		and falls to the stored position		
		by force of gravity.		

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		12.2.5.5.7 The depth of seat		
		boards shall be not less than 9		
		in.		
		(230 mm) where the same level		
		is not used for both seat		
		boards and footboards.		
		<b>12.2.5.5.8</b> Footboards,		
		independent of seats, shall be		
		provided		
		so that there is no horizontal		
		opening that allows the		
		passage of a 1/2 in. (13 mm)		
		diameter sphere.		
		12.2.5.6 Aisles Serving		
		Seating Not at Tables.		
		12.2.5.6.1 General.		
		<b>12.2.5.6.1.1</b> Aisles shall be		
		provided so that the number of		
		seats		
		served by the nearest aisle is in		
		accordance with 12.2.5.5.2		
		through 12.2.5.5, unless		
		otherwise permitted by		
		12.2.5.6.1.2.		
		<b>12.2.5.6.1.2</b> Aisles shall not be		
		required in bleachers, provided		
		that all of the following		
		conditions are met:		
		(1) Egress from the front row		
		shall not be obstructed by a rail,		
		a guard, or other obstruction.		
		(2) The row spacing shall be 28		
		in. (710 mm) or less.		
		(3) The rise per row, including		

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		the first row, shall be 6 in.		
		(150 mm) or less.		
		(4) The number of rows shall not		
		exceed 16.		
		(5) The seat spaces shall not be physically defined.		
		(6) Seat boards that are also		
		used as stepping surfaces for		
		descent shall provide a walking		
		surface with a width not		
		less than 12 in. (305 mm), and,		
		where a depressed footboard		
		exists, the gap between seat		
		boards of adjacent rows		
		shall not exceed 12 in. (305		
		mm), measured horizontally.		
		(7) The leading edges of seat		
		boards used as stepping		
		surfaces		
		shall be provided with a		
		contrasting marking stripe so		
		that		
		the location of the leading edge		
		is readily apparent, particularly where viewed in descent, and		
		the following shall		
		also apply:		
		(a) The marking stripe shall be		
		not less than 1 in. (25 mm)		
		wide and shall not exceed 2 in.		
		(51 mm) in width.		
		(b) The marking stripe shall not		
		be required where		
		bleacher surfaces and		

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		environmental conditions, under		
		all conditions of use, are such		
		that the location of		
		each leading edge is readily		
		apparent, particularly		
		when viewed in descent.		