

Fire TAC Report
August 13, 2002

The Fire TAC met and discussed 17 glitch code modifications to the Florida Building Code and provided recommendation to the Commission for consideration.

The Fire TAC had before it 3 requests for Declaratory Statements. One of the DEC requests was withdrawn.

DCA02-DEC-206: the petitioner requested clarification relative to the finishing of a mezzanine as it relates to a story.

TAC Recommendation: The TAC recommended that the DEC request be deferred and directed to staff to determine if a local board of adjustment and appeal exists. The TAC also pointed out that the request for declaratory statement addressed the standard building code. In order for the request to be valid, it should address the Florida Building Code.

DCA02-DEC-190: the petitioner requested clarification relative to the applicability of section 308 and Table 308.2d relative to building fire prevention requirements for Group H4 Occupancy since the petitioner's request was based on the Department of Environmental Protection's exception that bleach storage tanks be exempt from the requirements of the code.

TAC Recommendation: It is the committee's opinion that the exemption in Rule Chapter 62-761.300(2)23(b)2 is not relevant to the building code for the structures containing this type of material. The exemption mainly pertains to the tank in which the contents is stored. Additionally, it is clear that the code does not exempt H4 type materials stored in quantities over those listed in Table 308.2d. Therefore, it is the committee's recommendation that the building containing the tanks must comply with the Florida Building Code.