



Florida Building Code Binding Interpretation

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Code Edition: Residential 6th Edition (2017)

Section: G2412.2 (401.2)/NFPA 58 Section 6.3.2.3

Text of code provisions:

G2412.2 (401.2) Liquefied petroleum gas storage. The storage system for *liquefied petroleum gas* shall be designed and installed in accordance with the *Florida Fire Prevention Code* and NFPA 58.

NFPA 58 - 2014, Chapter 6 Installations of LP-Gas Systems, Section 6.3.2.3. No part of an underground or mounded ASME container shall be less than 10 ft (3 m) from a building or line of adjoining property that can be built upon.

Appeal question requesting a response:

Does NFPA 58 Section 6.3.2.3 as referenced by the Florida Building Code require a measurement to the building foundation or to the line of the overhang that could have a future infill?

Answer:

The appropriate measurement, in this specific situation, is to the building wall foundation. A proposal to infill or add on to the existing building would be evaluated at the time of a future permit application review.

Comment:

The Panel based this answer relating to the measurement of the required distance to place an underground ASME (LP-gas) container from a building on the plain language of the code Standard versus measuring to the overhang of a building which is not the building wall.

NOTICE:

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