

WSR 22-05-062

EXPEDITED RULES

BUILDING CODE COUNCIL

[Filed February 10, 2022, 4:33 p.m.]

Title of Rule and Other Identifying Information: Corrections to chapter 51-50 WAC, Adoption and amendment of the 2018 International Building Code.

Purpose of the Proposal and Its Anticipated Effects, Including Any Changes in Existing Rules: This filing is making corrections to the adopted amendments to the 2018 International Building Code, as adopted by the state building code council (SBCC). The purpose of the proposal is to reinsert an erroneously removed existing amendment back into WAC 51-50-30020, specifically addressing elevator car/ambulance stretcher requirements for R-1, R-2 and I occupancies.

Reasons Supporting Proposal: The proposed amendment in WAC 51-50-30020 more clearly defines elevator car and ambulance stretcher requirements and provides more stringent requirements for R-1, R-2 and I occupancies. It was adopted in the 2015 International Building Code, but erroneously removed during the 2018 code adoption cycle. SBCC adopted the existing amendment as an emergency rule (WSR 21-22-006) and directed SBCC staff to proceed with permanent rule making.

Statutory Authority for Adoption: RCW 19.27.031, 19.27.074.

Statute Being Implemented: Chapter 19.27 RCW.

Rule is not necessitated by federal law, federal or state court decision.

Name of Proponent: SBCC, governmental.

Name of Agency Personnel Responsible for Drafting and Implementation: Stoyan Bumbalov, 1500 Jefferson Street S.E., Olympia, 360-407-9277; Enforcement: Local jurisdictions.

This notice meets the following criteria to use the expedited adoption process for these rules:

Corrects typographical errors, make address or name changes, or clarify language of a rule without changing its effect.

NOTICE

THIS RULE IS BEING PROPOSED UNDER AN EXPEDITED RULE-MAKING PROCESS THAT WILL ELIMINATE THE NEED FOR THE AGENCY TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS, PREPARE A SMALL BUSINESS ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT, OR PROVIDE RESPONSES TO THE CRITERIA FOR A SIGNIFICANT LEGISLATIVE RULE. IF YOU OBJECT TO THIS USE OF THE EXPEDITED RULE-MAKING PROCESS, YOU MUST EXPRESS YOUR OBJECTIONS IN WRITING AND THEY MUST BE SENT TO Andrew S. Klein, Chair, SBCC, P.O. Box 41449, Olympia, WA 98504-1449, phone 360-407-9255, email sbcc@des.wa.gov, AND RECEIVED BY April 19, 2022.

February 10, 2022
Andrew S. Klein
Council Chair

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AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 20-01-090, filed 12/12/19, effective 7/1/20)

WAC 51-50-30020 ((Reserved.)) Section 30020—Hoistway enclosures. 3002.4 Elevator car to accommodate ambulance stretcher. In buildings provided with an elevator, at least one elevator shall provide fire department emergency access to all floors served in:

1. Buildings four or more stories above or below grade plane; and
2. Any R-1, R-2 or I occupancy building regardless of the number of stories.

The elevator car shall be of a size and arrangement to accommodate a 24-inch by 84-inch (610 mm by 2134 mm) ambulance stretcher with not less than 5-inch (127 mm) radius corners, in the horizontal, open position. The elevator shall be identified by the international symbol for emergency medical services (star of life). The symbol shall not be less than 3 inches (76 mm) in height and shall be placed inside on both sides of the hoistway door frame on both the designated level and the alternate level.

EXCEPTION: Private residence elevators are not required to comply with this section.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 19.27.031 and 19.27.074. WSR 20-01-090, § 51-50-30020, filed 12/12/19, effective 7/1/20; WSR 16-03-064, § 51-50-30020, filed 1/19/16, effective 7/1/16.]