

2022 State Building, Fire Safety & Fire Prevention Codes

Public Comments and Resulting Actions

Substantive Items									
#	Date Received	Via	Commenter	State Code	Model Code	Code Section(s)	Subject	Comment	Response
PC22-01	2/1/2022	e-mail	Edward Sargent	SFSC SFPC	IFC	Chapter 80	Referenced standards & Section 906	Correct edition years on nine referenced NFPA standards; clarify where fire extinguishers are / are not required.	Reference standards corrected.
PC22-02	2/4/2022	e-mail	Daniel Volovski	SFSC SFPC	IFC	Chapter 3	Group B College definition	Seeking clarification on how this would apply to certain scenarios	Inspection frequencies of B-College based on nature of occupancy.
PC22-03	2/7/2022	e-mail	Rep. Ben McGorty	SFSC SBC	IFC / IBC	Chapter 2	Dwelling	Proposes removing "eating and cooking" from the definition	While we appreciate the underlying public safety issue, this is a complex issue with implications that cascade through the codes requiring significant analysis to avoid unintended issues in other areas of the codes. We will not include this in the current proposed codes, but will identify it as an action item for analysis in the next code cycle.
PC22-04	2/14/2022	e-mail & hearing	Melissa Kops	SBC	IRC IECC	R304.4 R403.6.1	Mechanical ventilation & Heat Recovery	Add requirement for whole house ventilation & require heat recovery	The reference has been changed to section M1505.4, which is the whole house ventilation section. Section R403.6.1 will not be amended to require heat recovery in climate zone 5 at this time.
PC22-05	2/17/2022	e-mail	Reynaldo Soto	SBC	IRC / Statute	Chapter 3	Accessory apartments	Add language to IRC to clarify how to handle the accessory apartments enabled by C.G.S. 8-2o	PA 21-29 created the accessory apartments class for zoning enforcement purposes. They are considered dwelling units under the SBC. No change to the state building code is needed.
PC22-06	2/22/2022	e-mail	Marc Scrivener	SFSC SBC	IFC / IBC	903.2.8 Exc. 2	Group R sprinkler exceptions	Opposition to proposed change due to concern with unsafe conditions being permitted.	Modify IBC/IFC section 903.2.8 Group R. An automatic sprinkler system installed in accordance with Section 903.3 shall be provided throughout all newly constructed buildings with a Group R fire area or in existing buildings that have a Group R fire area newly introduced by change of occupancy, occupancy group designation or by an addition. The use of any exceptions in this section shall not negate the requirements of Chapter 10.
PC22-07	2/22/2022	e-mail & hearing	Laura di Bonaventura	SBC	IECC	General	General Support & Passive House	Generally in support of 2021 IECC and stretch code. Request inclusion of Passive House certifications. Requirement is not relevant to energy code.	Thank you for your support. Stretch codes are a DEEP public policy initiative. Formal interpretation I-20-14 recognized PHI Passive Home Certification as an approved above code program.
PC22-08	2/22/2022	e-mail & hearing	Glenn Heinmiller	SBC	IECC	C302.2	Light pollution controls	[detailed written testimony received as of 3/17/22]	The light pollution section will be moved from the IECC to Chapter 27 of the IBC.
PC22-09	2/22/2022	e-mail & hearing	Laura Baker	SBC	IECC	General	General Support	General support for adoption of 2021 IECC	Thank you for your support.
PC22-10	3/2/2022	e-mail	Harwood Loomis	SBC	IBC IRC	111.5 R106.1.1 R106.2	Plans & specs Plans & specs Site plan or plot plan	Prohibit general statement that project will comply with code Prohibit general statement that project will comply with code Add locations of easements, drainage facilities and adjacent grades	The construction document language will be added to IBC 111.5 and R0106.1.1. The site plan information will not be added to R106.2.
PC22-11	3/3/2022	e-mail	Michael Strong	SFPC	IFC	403.10.6 Chapter 80	Tunnels Referenced Standards	Limit requirement to new tunnels; exclude renovations of existing tunnels Correct section referenced standard table points back to	Section 403.10.6 of the FSC will be changed to refer to new tunnels.
PC22-12	3/4/2022	e-mail	Harwood Loomis	SBC	IEBC	Chapter 1	Various section deletions	By deleting some administrative sections and deferring to them in the IBC, some enforcement value to code officials is lost	Side by side review of the section in the IEBC and IBC shows little difference no change will be made.
PC22-13	3/9/2022	e-mail	William Nash	SBC	General	General	General Support	General support for adoption of 202 Codes	Thank you for your support.
PC22-14	3/9/2022	e-mail	Walter Summers	SBC SFSC SFPC	IBC	111.3 & 111.5	Approvals	Add language to 111.3 and 111.5 to indicate that FM and zoning approvals apply to these sections	IBC Section 111.1.3 has been modified to include temporary and partial certificates of occupancy. A reference to zoning approval
					IFC	105.1	Fees	Add construction document review to fees	Language regarding review fees has been added.
					IFC	108.6.1	Inspections	add language to allow electronic reports	"Notification may be delivered electronically" has been added to IBC section 110.6.1.
					NFPA	9.6.2.10.10	Smoke detectors	do not delete to align with FPC	Proposed language has been added.
					NFPA	9.6.2.10.4	Smoke detectors	modify to align with FPC	Proposed language has been added.
PC22-15	3/11/2022	e-mail	Karl Fippinger	SFSC	IFC	Chapter 11	existing buildings	do not delete IFC chapter 11	Review deletions from Ch 11. Ch 10 refers to deleted MOE section;
PC22-16	3/15/2022	e-mail	Maria Karpman	SBC	IECC	C401.2.1		Delete Section C407 and add ANSI/ASHRAE/IESNA 90.1 Section 11 or Appendix G	IECC section C401.2 allows the use of 90.1 as an alternative. There is no need to preclude options.
					AHRAE 90.1	90.1 11.7.2	Permit Application Documentation	Require use of forms developed by US DOE	The committee does not amend reference standards.
PC22-17	3/16/2022	e-mail	Jason Davison	SBC	ISPSC	General	Adoption	Support for adoption of ISPSC	Thank you for your support
PC22-18	3/17/2022	e-mail	Cornelia Wu	SBC	IECC	General	Adoption	Support of adoption of IECC	Thank you for your support
PC22-19	3/17/2022	e-mail	Richard Johnson	SFSC SBC	IBC/IFC	1030	Bedroom Windows	Amend code to require bedrooms to have EERs, even if sprinklered.	The model code language will be maintained.
PC22-20	3/17/2022	e-mail	Eric Lacey	SBC	IECC	General	Adoption	Support of adoption of IECC	Thank you of your support
PC22-21	3/17/2022	e-mail	Jonathan Kinney	SFSC SBC	IFC IBC	Various	Historic	IFC: Opposition to deletion of provisions that preserve historic elements IBC: Support for provisions that preserve historic elements, but request additional references	Thank you for the support of the SBC. Historic building are addressed via the Fire Safety Code modification process.
PC22-22	3/13/2022	email	Joseph Versteeg	SFSC	Part I	107	inspections	add occupancy titles to inspection list	Part I, Section 107 Keep current format. The categories are found in Part III, Section 202.
					IFC	119.1	Use & Occupancy	add exception for height and area	Part III, Section 119.1 Added as Exception #2.
					IFC	503	fire access roads	use previously proposed language	Part III, Section 503 Keep current language as written.
					NFPA 101	7.1.3.2.1	existing walls	add lath and plaster as an equivalent	Part IV, Section 7.1.3.2.1 proposed language included.
					NFPA 101	13.4.7.7.1	proscenium openings	add protection methods	Part IV, Section 13.4.7.7.1 proposed language has been included.