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Special Inspections

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Special inspections are based on Chapter 17 of the IBC; they apply to any building or structure for which a permit is issued under the IBC.

Threshold buildings are a Connecticut-specific definition, found in Chapter 1. The primary impact of the threshold buildings amendment is the requirement for third-party structural review.



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Connecticut amendment to IBC 2012:

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Add) 197.7.1 Requirements for proposed structure or additions that concertise threshold limits.

Fursiant to search 29.76 be of the Connecticut General Statutes, if a proposed structure or addition to an existing serfucture will exceed the threshold limits set forth in Section 107, of this code, the building official of the municipality in which the structure or addition will be located shall require that an independent structure of the structure or addition to be constructed to determine compliance with the requirements of this code to the extent necessary to assure the stability and integrity of the primary structural support systems of such structure or the stability and integrity of the primary structural support systems of such structure or the stability of the structure or the structure

the probosed building project.

If a structure or addition exceeds the threshold limit, the architecture of professional engineer of record responsible for the design or the structure or addition and the general contractor shall sign a statement of professional opinion affirming that the completed construction is in substantial compliance with the approved plans and design specifications. If abricated structural load-bearing emithes or assessmble's are used in the construction, the professional engineer responsible for the design emitted in the construction, the professional engineer responsible for the design emitted in the construction is in substantial compliance with the approved design specifications.

satisfy himself that each architect, professional engineer, in which the structure or addition will be located shall satisfy himself that each architect, professional engineer, including each professional engineer responsible for the design of shorizeded structural load-bearing members or assemblies, general contractor and major subcontractor in whose in the project holds a license to engage in the work or occupation for which the appropriate building permit has been issued.

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(Add) 107.7.1 Requirements for proposed structures or additions that exceed the threshold limits. Pursuant to section 29-276b of the Connecticut General Statutes, if a proposed structure or addition to an existing structure will exceed the threshold limit set forth in Section 107.7 of this code, the building official of the municipality in which the structure or addition will be located shall require that an independent structural engineering consultant review the structural plans and design specifications of the structure or addition to be constructed to determine compliance with the requirements of this code to the extent necessary to assure the stability and integrity of the primary structural support systems of such structure or addition. Any modifications of approved structural plans or design specifications shall require shop drawings to the extent necessary to determine compliance with the requirements of this code and shall be reviewed by such consultant. Any fees relative to such review requirements shall be paid by the owner of the proposed building project.



1704.2 Special inspections. Where application is made for construction as described in this section, **the owner** or the *registered design professional in responsible charge* acting as the owner's agent shall employ one or more *approved agencies* to perform inspections during construction on the types of work listed under Section 1705. These inspections are in addition to the inspections identified in Section 110.

(Source: IBC 2012)

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Exceptions:

- Special inspections are not required for construction of a minor nature or as warranted by conditions in the jurisdiction as approved by the building official.
- Unless otherwise required by the building official, special inspections are not required for Group U occupancies that are accessory to a residential occupancy including, but not limited to, those listed in Section 312.1.
- Special inspections are not required for portions of structures designed and constructed in accordance with the cold-formed steel light-frame construction provisions of Section 2211.7 or the conventional lightframe construction provisions of Section 2308.

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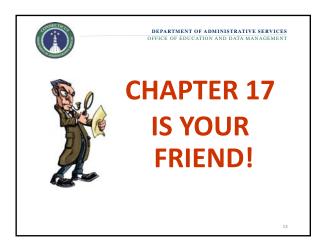


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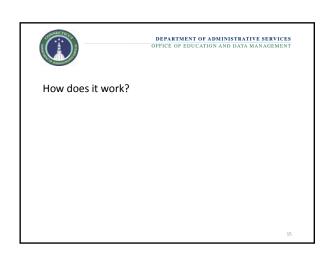
Why have Special Inspections?

- The old,"traditional" system wasn't working.
- Collapses:
 - 1978: Hartford Civic Center collapse
 - 1981: Kansas City Hyatt Regency catwalk failure
 - 1987: L'Ambience Plaza, Bridgeport, collapse

The code community and the engineering profession decided that there was a need for more involvement and oversight by the engineers during construction. The result was what we know as Special Inspections.









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Chapter 1: Permit application

105.3 Application for permit. To obtain a *permit*, the applicant shall first file an application therefor in writing on aform furnished by the department of building safety for that purpose. Such application shall:

- 1. Identify and describe the work to be covered by the $\ensuremath{\textit{permit}}$ for which application is made.
- 2. Describe the land on which the proposed work is to be done by legal description, street address or similar description that will readily identify and definitely locate the proposed building or work.
- 3. Indicate the use and occupancy for which the proposed work is intended.
- 4. Be accompanied by *construction documents* and other information as required in Section 107.
- 5. State the valuation of the proposed work.
- 6. Be signed by the applicant, or the applicant's authorized agent.
- 7. Give such other data and information as required by the building official.

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SECTION 107 SUBMITTAL DOCUMENTS

107.1 General: Submittal documents consisting of construction documents, statement of special inspections, gootechnical 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.

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 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.

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1704.2.3 Statement of special inspections. The applicant shall submit a statement of *special inspections* in accordance with Section 107.1 as a condition for permit issuance. This statement shall be in accordance with Section 1704.3.

Exception: A statement of *special inspections* is not required for portions of structures designed and constructed in accordance with the cold-formed steel lightframe construction provisions of Section 2211.7 or the conventional light-frame construction provisions of Section 2308.





What's this "Statement of Special Inspections" thing?

IT'S THE BIBLE FOR THE PROJECT. It spells out:

- What gets inspected?
- Who inspects it?

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- What gets inspected?
- Who inspects it?
- How often it gets inspected?

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Special Inspections were introduced into the BOCA Basic Building Code in the 1988 edition. Connecticut didn't adopt BOCA 1988. We first got Special Inspections in 1994, when we adopted the 1990 BOCA Basic Building Code.

<u>Problem</u>: When Special Inspections were first introduced, there was no professional standard of care for performing Special Inspections. That meant – no professional liability coverage.



Connecticut's Three Musketeers:

- John Ruddy, P.E.
- Ken Gibble, P.E.
- Dick DiSalvo, P.E.





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Ruddy, Gibble and DiSalvo created the Statement of Special Inspections form as a way of creating and standardizing a standard of care for engineers performing Special Inspections.

- Created for the Structural Engineers Coalition (SEC) of Connecticut Engineers in Private Practice (CEPP).
- Subsequently donated to the national engineers' professional society and promulgated nationally by CASE (Council of American Structural Engineers).

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CASE also puts out a very useful guide that helps explain how the Special Inspections process works.

Available on-line.



Guide to









Beware of "TBD"

"TBD" is "To Be Determined." What it really means is "We haven't thought about it yet," or "We're still shopping for the lowest price."

The BO is empowered by the Code to review and approve the qualifications of all proposed special inspectors. If they aren't disclosed during the permit application phase ...

IT AIN'T GONNA HAPPEN





Other Permit Application Information:

"Seismic Design Category" must be indicated on the construction documents.

Caution -

Seismic Design Category is not the same as Site Class – but they use the same alphabetic classifications.

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 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{SITE CLASS.} A classification assigned to a site based on the types of soils present and their engineering properties as defined in Section 1613.3.2. \end{tabular}$

1613.3.2 Site class definitions. Based on the site soil properties, the site shall be classified as *Site Class* A, B, C, D, E or F in accordance with Chapter 20 of ASCE 7. Where the soil properties are not known in sufficient detail to determine the site class, Site Class D shall be used unless the building official or geotechnical data determines Site Class E or F soils are present at the site.

Applies to the site, and is determined by the geotechnical consultant, if there is one, or by the structural engineer-of-record.



SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY. A classification assigned to a structure based on its *risk category* and the severity of the *design earthquake ground motion* at the site.

Office at the site.

1613.3.5 Determination of seismic design category. Structures classified as Risk Category I, II or III that are located where the mapped spectral response acceleration parameter at 1-second period, \$1, is greater than or equal to 0.75 shall be assigned to Seismic Design Category E. Structures classified as Risk Category IV that are located where the mapped spectral response acceleration parameter at 1-second period, \$1, is greater than or equal to 0.75 shall be assigned to Seismic Design Category F. All other structures shall be assigned to a seismic design category based on their risk category and the design spectral response acceleration parameters, SDS and SD1, determined in accordance with Section 1613.3 4 or the site-specific procedures of ASCE 7. Each building and structure shall be assigned to the more severe seismic design category in accordance with Table 1613.3.5(1) or 1613.5.5(2), irrespective of the fundamental period of vibration of the structure,

Applies to the building, and is determined by the structural engineer-of-record



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VALUE OF S _m	RISK CATEGORY		
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$S_{cs} < 0.167g$	A	Α.	A
$0.167g \le S_{co} < 0.33g$	B	B	C
$0.33g \le S_{cs} < 0.50g$	C	C	D
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TABLE 1613.3.5(2) SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY BASED ON 1-SECOND PERIOD RESPONSE ACCELERATION

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$S_{20} < 0.067g$	A	A	A	
$0.067g \le S_{24} < 0.133g$	В	В	C	
$0.133g \le S_{zz} < 0.20g$	c	c	D	
$0.20g \le S_{cr}$	D	D	D	

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1604.5 Risk category. Each building and structure shall be assigned a *risk* category in accordance with Table 1604.5. Where a referenced standard specifies an occupancy category, the *risk* category shall not be taken as lower than the occupancy category specified therein.

1604.5.1 Multiple occupancies. Where a building or structure is occupied by two or more occupancies not included in the same risk category, it shall be assigned the classification of the highest risk category corresponding to the various occupancies. Where buildings or structures have two or more portions that are structurally separated, each portion shall be separately classified. Where a separated portion of a building or structure provides required access to, required egress from or shares life safety components with another portion having a higher risk category, both portions shall be assigned to the higher risk category.





- Buildings and other structures that represent a low hazard to human life in the event of failure, including but not limited to:
 - · Agricultural facilities.

 - Agricultural facilities.
 Certain temporary facilities.
 Minor storage facilities.
- Buildings and other structures except those listed in Risk Categories I, III and IV



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- Buildings and other structures that represent a substantial hazard to human life in the event of failure, including but not limited to:
 - Buildings and other structures whose primary occupancy is public assembly with an occupant load greater than 300.
 Buildings and other structures containing elementary school, secondary school or day care facilities with an occupant load greater than 250.
 Buildings and other structures containing adult education facilities, such as colleges and universities, with an occupant load greater than 500.
 Group I-2 occupancies with an occupant load of 50 or more resident care recipients but not having surgery or emprency treatment facilities.

 - Group I-2 occupancies with an occupant load of 50 or more resident care recipients but not having surgery or emergency treatment facilities.
 Group I-3 occupancies.
 Any other occupancy with an occupant load greater than 5,000°.
 Power-generating stations, water treatment facilities for potable water, waste water treatment facilities and other public utility facilities not included in Risk Category IV.
 Buildings and other structures not included in Risk Category IV containing quantities of toxic or explosive materials that:

Exceed maximum allowable quantities per control area as given in Table 307.1(1) or 307.1(2) or per outdoor control area in accordance with the *International Fire Code*; and Are sufficient to pose a threat to the public if released ^b.



- IV Buildings and other structures designated as essential facilities, including but not limited to:
 - Group I-2 occupancies having surgery or emergency treatment facilities.
 Fire, rescue, ambulance and police stations and emergency

 - vehicle garages.

 Designated earthquake, hurricane or other emergency shelters.

 Designated emergency preparedness, communications and operations centers and other facilities required for emergency response.
 - response.

 Power-generating stations and other public utility facilities required as emergency backup facilities for Risk Category IV structures.

 Buildings and other structures containing quantities of highly toxic materials that:

Exceed maximum allowable quantities per control area as given in Table 307.1(2) or per outdoor control area in accordance with the *International Fire Code*; and
Are sufficient to pose a threat to the public if released ^b.



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- IV Buildings and other structures designated as essential facilities, including but not limited to:
 - Aviation control towers, air traffic control centers and emergency aircraft hangars.
 Buildings and other structures having critical national defense functions.
 Water storage facilities and pump structures required to maintain water pressure for fire suppression.

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SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGOR	Y BASED ON SHORT-PERIOD		ELERATIONS
VALUE OF S	RISK CATEGORY		
WALLE OF S _m	t or II		N.
$S_{cu} < 0.167g$	A	A.	A
$0.167g \le S_{in} < 0.33g$	B	B	C
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	RISK CATEGORY		
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$0.067g \le S_{yy} < 0.133g$	В	В	C
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PAY ATTENTION!

- Classification as Seismic Design Category C, D, E or F triggers stricter requirements for many materials and trades.
 - BO does not make this classification. It is determined by the structural engineer.

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1704.4 Contractor responsibility. Each contractor responsible for the construction of a main wind- or seismic force resisting system, designated seismic system or a wind- or seismic-resisting component listed in the statement of special inspections shall submit a written statement of responsibility to the building official and the owner prior to the commencement of work on the system or component. The contractor's statement of responsibility shall contain acknowledgement of awareness of the special requirements contained in the statement of special inspection.

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1704.5 Structural observations. Where required by the provisions of Section 1704.5.1 or 1704.5.2, the owner shall employ a *registered design professional* to perform structural observations as defined in Section 1702.

Prior to the commencement of observations, the structural observer shall submit to the *building official* a written statement identifying the frequency and extent of structural observations.



Section 1702 sends us to Chapter 2:

STRUCTURAL OBSERVATION. The visual observation of the structural system by a *registered design professional* for general conformance to the *approved construction documents*. **Structural observation does not include or waive the responsibility for the inspection required by Section 110, 1705 or other sections of this code.**

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IMPORTANT TERMS:

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IMPORTANT TERMS:

SER: Structural Engineer of Record

- The engineer whose seal and signature are on the construction documents submitted for permit, AND on the Statement of Special Inspections
 - [Must be the same engineer]



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$\textbf{RDPiRC:} \ \textbf{Registered Design Professional in Responsible Charge}$

- NOT the SER. The code requires special inspections of more than just structure.
 The RDPIRC is the engineer responsible for the design of each respective system or subsystem that requires Special Inspection, and who specifies the Special Inspection criteria.
 - The various RDPiRC may all be from one large firm, or they may be from different, smaller firms.

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IMPORTANT TERMS:

(My definitions):

Special Inspector: (a.k.a. Special Inspection Coordinator)

The person or entity in overall charge of the Special Inspection program.
May be the same person or entity as the SER, but does not have to be.

special inspector:

- The person or entity possessing particular skills or expertise, who performs Special Inspections of one or more specific trades subject to Special Inspections.
 - May be the SER, one or more of the RDPiRC, or an independent testing laboratory or agency.

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IMPORTANT TERMS:

(IBC 2012 definition):

Special Inspector:

 A qualified person employed or retained by an approved agency and approved by the building official as having the competence necessary to inspect a particular type of construction requiring special inspection.



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IMPORTANT TERMS:

Continuous Special Inspection:

- The full-time observation of work requiring special inspection by an approved special inspector who is present in the area where the work is being performed. (*CASE Guide to Special Inspections)
- Special inspection by the special inspector who is present when and where the work to be inspected is being performed. (*IBC 2012)
 - When continuous inspection is required, 100% of the work must be inspected and it must be inspected as the work is being
- → Read the Statement of Special Inspections. Many engineers don't understand what "continuous" means, and call for continuous inspection when it isn't necessary or practical. Remember, the Owner has to pay for these inspections.



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IMPORTANT TERMS:

Periodic Special Inspection:

- The part-time or intermittent observation of work requiring special inspection by an approved special inspector who is present in the area where the work has been or is being performed and at the completion of the work. (*CASE Guide to Special Inspections)
- Special inspection by the special inspector who is intermittently present where the work to be inspected has been or is being performed. (*IBC 2012)

 - When periodic inspection is indicated, inspection of less than 100% of the work may be acceptable for certain items.
 The Registered Design Professional, when preparing the Statement of Special Inspections, should indicate the frequency of inspection that is required.
- → Read the Statement of Special Inspections. Engineers often call for Periodic Inspection without specifying the frequency of the required inspections.



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YOU'RE IN CHARGE!

The Special Inspections program is primarily to assist the Building Official.

- Review the Statement of Special Inspections during the plan review stage.
- If you have questions, ask them.
- If you want changes, discuss with the engineer.



BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATION SPECIAL INSPECTIONS CHECKLIST

- $\hfill\square$ Special Inspector identified?
- ☐ Engineer-of-Record, or independent inspector?
- $\hfill\square$ Seismic Design Category listed on construction documents?
- ☐ Statement of Special Inspections submitted?
 - ☐ Frequency identified for periodic inspections?
- $\hfill\square$ Testing laboratories and agents identified?
- ☐ Qualifications reviewed and approved?
- ☐ Report interval appropriate to project?
- ☐ Compare Statement to Chapter 17 of Building Code

☐ Is everything addressed?

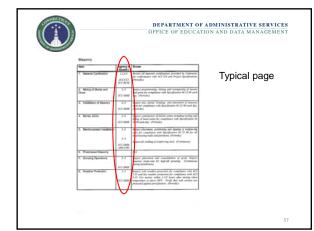


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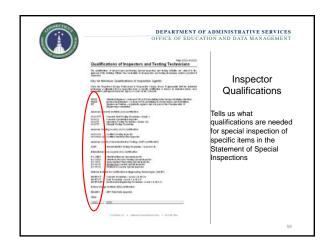
IBC 2012:

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- Section 110 tells us what the Building Department inspects
- Chapter 17 tells us what the Special Inspector(s) inspect







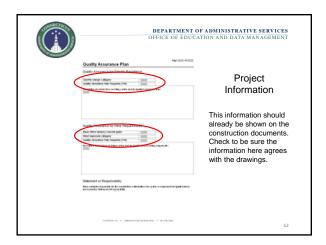




REMEMBER:

"TBD" = "Not Gonna Happen"

Ask for qualifications of inspection agencies and inspectors during the permit review period, when you can control the process.







(Amd) 1704.2.4 Report requirement. Special inspectors shall keep records of inspections. The special inspector shall furnish inspections reports to the building official, and to the registered design professional in responsible charge. Reports shall indicate that work inspected was or was not completed in conformance to approved construction documents. Discrepancies shall be brought to the immediate attention of the contractor for correction. If they are not corrected, the discrepancies shall be brought to the are not corrected, the discrepancies shall be brought to the attention of the building official and to the registered design professional in responsible charge prior to the completion of that phase of the work. A final report of inspections documenting completion of all required special inspections and correction of any discrepancies noted in the inspections shall be submitted prior to the issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy. Interim reports shall be submitted periodically at the frequency agreed upon by the permit applicant and the building official prior to the start of work.

Source: 2015 Connecticut Amendment



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What does the Special Inspector Inspect?



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1704.5.1 Structural observations for seismic resistance. Structural observations shall be provided for those structures assigned to *Seismic Design Category* D, E or F where one or more of the following conditions exist:

- 1. The structure is classified as *Risk Category* III or IV in accordance with Table 1604.5.
- With Table 1004.5.
 2. The height of the structure is greater than 75 feet (22 860 mm) above the base.
 3. The structure is assigned to Seismic Design Category E, is classified as Risk Category I or II in accordance with Table 1604.5, and is greater than two stories above grade plane.
- 4. When so designated by the *registered design professional* responsible for the structural design.
- When such observation is specifically required by the building official.



(Amd) 1704.5.2 Structural observations for wind requirements.

Structural observations shall be provided for those structures sited where Vasd as determined in accordance with Appendix N exceeds 110 mph (49 m/sec), where one or more of the following conditions exist:

- 1. The structure is classified as Risk Category III or IV in accordance with Table 1604.5.
- 2. The building height of the structure is greater than 75 feet (22 860 mm).
- When so designated by the registered design professional responsible for the structural design.
- When such observation is specifically required by the building official

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1705.1.1 Special cases. *Special inspections* shall be required for proposed work that is, in the opinion of the *building official*, unusual in its nature, such as, but not limited to, the following examples:

- Construction materials and systems that are alternatives to materials and systems prescribed by this code.
- 2. Unusual design applications of materials described in this code.
- Materials and systems required to be installed in accordance with additional manufacturer's instructions that prescribe requirements not contained in this code or in standards referenced by this code.

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 $\textbf{1705.2 Steel construction.} \ \ \text{The } \textit{special inspections} \ \text{for steel elements of buildings and structures shall be as required in this section.}$

Exception: Special inspection of the steel fabrication process shall not be required where the fabricator does not perform any welding, thermal cutting or heating operation of any kind as part of the fabrication process. In such cases, the fabricator shall be required to submit a detailed procedure for material control that demonstrates the fabricator's ability to maintain suitable records and procedures such that, at any time during the fabrication process, the material specification, and grade for the main stress-carrying elements are capable of being determined. Mill test reports shall be identifiable to the main stress-carrying elements when required by the approved construction documents.



1705.2.1 Structural steel. Special inspection for structural steel shall be in accordance with the quality assurance inspection requirements of AISC 360.

1705.2.2 Steel construction other than structural steel. Special inspection for steel construction other than structural steel shall be in accordance with Table 1705.2.2 and this section.

 $\textbf{1705.2.2.1 Welding.} \ \ \text{Welding inspection and welding inspector qualification shall be in accordance with this section.}$

1705.2.2.1.1 Cold-formed steel. Welding inspection and welding inspector qualification for coldformed steel floor and roof decks shall be in accordance with AWS D1.3.

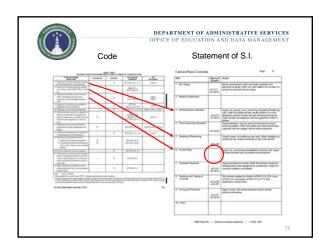
1705.2.2.1.2 Reinforcing steel. Welding inspection and welding inspector qualification for reinforcing steel shall be in accordance with AWS D1.4 and ACI 318.

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(Amd) 1705.2.2.2. Cold-formed steel trusses. Where a cold-formed steel truss clear span is 30 feet (9,144 mm) or greater, the special inspector shall verify that the permanent individual truss member restraint/bracing is installed in accordance with the approved truss submittal package. Where a cold-formed steel truss clear span is 50 feet (18,288 mm) or greater, the special inspector shall verify that the temporary installation restraint/bracing and the permanent individual truss member restraint/bracing are installed in accordance with the approved truss submittal package.





1705.4 Masonry construction. Masonry construction shall be inspected and verified in accordance with TMS 402/ACI 530/ASCE 5 and TMS 602/ACI 530.1/ASCE 6 quality assurance program requirements.

Exception: Special inspections shall not be required for:

- Empirically designed masonry, glass unit masonry or masonry veneer designed by Section 2109, 2110 or Chapter 14, respectively, where they are part of structures classified as Risk Category I, II or III in accordance with Section 1604.5.
- 2. Masonry foundation walls constructed in accordance with Table 1807.1.6.3(1), 1807.1.6.3(2), 1807.1.6.3(3) or 1807.1.6.3(4).
- 3. Masonry fireplaces, masonry heaters or masonry chimneys installed or constructed in accordance with Section 2111, 2112 or 2113, respectively.

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1705.5 Wood construction. *Special inspections* of the fabrication process of prefabricated wood structural elements and assemblies shall be in accordance with Section 1704.2.5. *Special inspections* of site-built assemblies shall be in accordance with this section.

1705.5.1 High-load diaphragms.

Unusual construction. See the code if you encounter this.

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(Amd) 1705.5.2. Metal-plate-connected wood trusses. Where a truss clear span is 30 feet (9,144 mm) or greater, the special inspector shall verify that the permanent individual truss member restraint/bracing is installed in accordance with the approved truss submittal package. Where a truss clear span is 60 feet (18,28 mm) or greater, the special inspector shall verify that the temporary installation restraint/bracing and the permanent individual truss member restraint/bracing are installed in accordance with the approved truss submittal package.



Remember ...

Seismic Design Category?



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1705.11 Special inspections for seismic resistance. *Special inspections* itemized in Sections 1705.11.1 through 1705.11.8, unless exempted by the exceptions of Section 1704.2, are required for the following:

- The seismic force-resisting systems in structures assigned to Seismic Design Categody C, D, E or F in accordance with Sections 1705.11.1 through 1705.11.3, as applicable.
 Designated seismic systems in structures assigned to Seismic Design Categody C, D, E or F in accordance with Section 1705.11.4.
 Architectural, mechanical and electrical components in accordance with Sections 1705.11.5 and 1705.11.6.

- Storage racks in structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or Finaccordance with Section 1705.11.7.
- 5. Seismic isolation systems in accordance with Section 1705.11.8.



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WHY DO WE CARE ABOUT SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY?

Because I'm the Daddy and I say so.

Because ... reasons ...





[A] 104.9 Approved materials and equipment.

Materials, equipment and devices approved by the building official shall be constructed and installed in

accordance with such approval.

Source: 2012 IBC



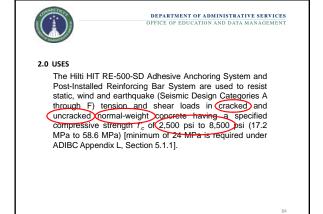
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We have to read the instructions.

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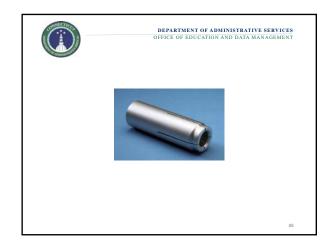


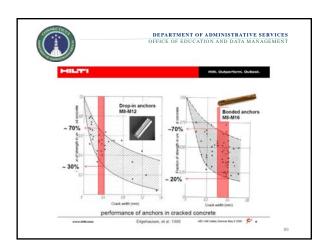
4.1.11 Design Strength in Seismic Design Categories C, D, E and F: In structures assigned to Seismic Design Category C, D, E or F under the IBC or IRC, design anchors must be in accordance with ACI 318-14 17.2.3 or ACI 318-10.3.3, as applicable. Modifications to ACI 318.14 17.2.3 shall be applied under Section 1905.1.8 of the 2015 IBC. For the 2012 IBC, Section 1905.9 shall be omitted. Modifications to ACI 318 (-08, -05) D.3.3 must be applied under Section 1908.1.9 of the 2009 IBC or Section 1908.1.16 of the 2006 IBC, as applicable.

The nominal steel sheer strength, V_{sor} must be adjusted by $\alpha_{V,seis}$ as given in the tables summarized in Table 1 for the corresponding anchor steel. The nominal bond strength $T_{k,cr}$ must be adjusted by $\alpha_{N,seis}$ as given in the tables summarized in Table 1 for the corresponding anchor steel.

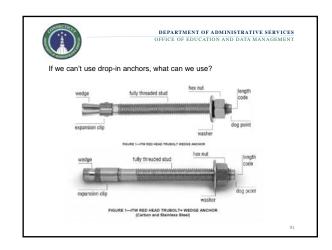


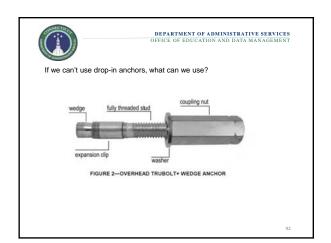






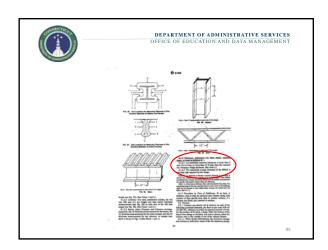


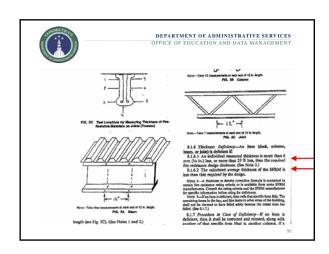


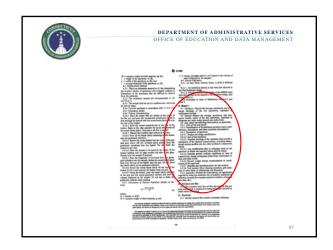


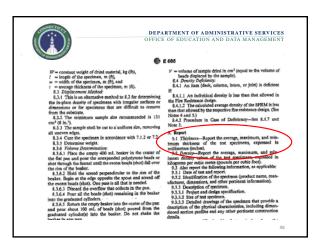


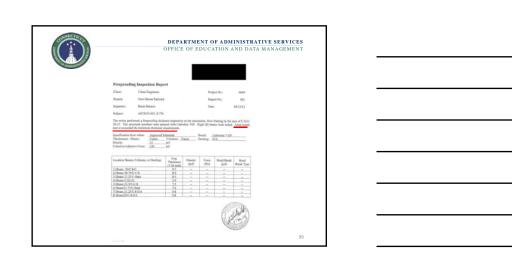


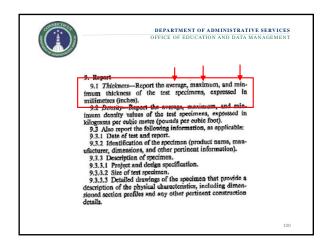


















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KEEP TRACK OF UNRESOLVED ISSUES

- Special Inspector?
- Building Department?
- _______





Project Close-Out: Required Documents

1704.2.4 Report requirement. Special inspectors shall keep records of inspections. The special inspector shall furnish inspection reports to the building official, and to the registered design professional in responsible charge. Reports shall indicate that work inspected was or was not completed in conformance to approved construction documents. Discrepancies shall be brought to the immediate attention of the contractor for correction. If they are not corrected, the discrepancies shall be brought to the attention of the building official and to the registered design professionar in responsible charge prior to the completion of that phase of the work. A final report documenting required special inspections and correction of any discrepancies noted in the inspections shall be submitted at a point in time agreed upon prior to the start of work by the applicant and the building official.







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1704.2.5.2 Fabricator approval. Special inspections required by Section 1705 are not required where the work is done on the premises of a fabricator registered and approved to perform such work without special inspection. Approval shall be based upon review of the fabricator's written procedural and quality control manuals and periodic auditing of fabrication practices by an approved special inspection agency. At completion of fabrication, the approved fabricator shall submit a certificate of compliance to the building official stating that the work was performed in accordance with the approved construction documents.

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1704.5 Structural observations. Where required by the provisions of Section 1704.5.1 or 1704.5.2, the owner shall employ a registered design professional to perform structural observations as defined in Section 1702.

Prior to the commencement of observations, the structural observer shall submit to the *building official* a written statement identifying the frequency and extent of structural observations.

At the conclusion of the work included in the permit, the structural observer shall submit to the *building official* a written statement that the site visits have been made and identify any reported deficiencies which, to the best of the structural observer's knowledge, have not been resolved.

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(Add) 111.1.4 Statement of professional opinion. Pursuant to section 29-276c of the Connecticut General Statutes, no certificate of occupancy shall be issued for a proposed structure or addition to buildings classified as (1) assembly, educational, institutional, high hazard, transient residential, which includes hotels, motels, rooming or boarding houses, dormitories or similar buildings, other than residential buildings designed to be occupied by one or more families, without limitation as to size or number of stories; (2) business, factory and industrial, mercantile, moderate and low hazard storage, having three stories or more or exceeding 30,000 square feet total gross area; and (3) nontransient residential dwellings having more than 16 units or 24,000 square feet total gross area per building, until the building official has been provided with a statement signed by the architect or professional engineer and the general contractor stating that the completed structure or addition is in substantial compliance with the approved plans on file.

