

STATE BUILDING CODE INTERPRETATION NO. I-01-08

February 1, 2008

The following is offered in response to your January 24, 2008 email to me in which you seek an official interpretation of the provisions of Section 1006.3 of the 2003 International Building Code portion of the 2005 State Building Code as it pertains to outdoor bleachers and grandstands.

Question: Is it the intent of the 2005 State Building Code to apply the provisions of Section 1006.3 of the 2003 International Building Code to outdoor bleachers and grandstands of occupancy classification A-5?

Answer: No. A review of the provisions of Sections 1006.1 and 1006.3 of the referenced codes indicates that it is the intent of the code to apply means of egress illumination provisions (both normal and emergency) to elements of the means of egress within or emanating from a building only. A review of ICC-300-2002, the referenced standard for bleachers and grandstands likewise provides no requirements for illumination of outdoor bleachers or grandstands.