

Office of the State Building Inspector

May 1, 2019

Mr. Mark Lawrence, Assistant Building Official Wilton Building Department TOWN HALL ANNEX 238 Danbury Road Wilton, CT 06897

Dear Mr. Lawrence:

RE: I-04-19 : Sections 101.2 (Scope) and 101.4.7 (Existing Buildings)

This is in response to your letter of April 18, 2019 in which you are seeking a formal interpretation of the following question:

QUESTION 1: Does a design professional have the option of using either the International Building Code or the International Existing Building Code for matters governing the repair, alteration, change of occupancy, addition to and relocation of existing buildings?

ANSWER: Section 101.4.7 of the 2015 International Building Code portion of the 2018 State Building Code directs you solely to the 2015 International Existing Building Code for work to be performed within existing buildings, change of occupancy, additions to and relocation of existing buildings. The International Existing Building Code refers you back to the International Building Code in many of the applications such as the prescriptive method for alterations outlined in Section 301.1.1 addition in Section 1101.1, etc.

Sincerely,

Joseph V. Cassidy, P.E.

State Building Inspector

c: Daniel Tierney, Deputy State Building Inspector