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The content of sections in this code that begin with a letter designation is maintained by another code development committee in accordance with the following:

[A] = Administrative Code Development Committee;
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[M] = International Mechanical Code Development Committee; and
How to Distinguish Between Model Code Language and California Amendments

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[BSC] This is an example of a state agency acronym used to identify an adoption or amendment by the agency. The acronyms will appear at California Amendments and in the Matrix Adoption Tables. Sections 1.2 through 1.14 in Chapter 1, Division 1 of this code, explain the used acronyms, the application of state agency adoptions to building occupancies or building features, the enforcement agency as designated by state law (may be the state adopting agency or local building or fire official), the authority in state law for the state agency to make the adoption, and the specific state law being implemented by the agency’s adoption. The following acronyms are used in Title 24 to identify the state adopting agency making an adoption.

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3. Systems listed in this section can be used for seismically isolated buildings when permitted by Section 1613A.4.1.

1616A.1.5 ASCE 7, Section 12.2.3.1. Replace ASCE 7, Section 12.2.3.1, Items 1, 2, and 2 by the following:

The value of the response modification coefficient, R, used for design at any story shall not exceed the lowest value of R that is used in the same direction at any story above that story. Likewise, the deflection amplification factor, C₁, and the system over strength factor, D₁, used for the design at any story shall not be less than the lowest value of these factors that are used in the same direction at any story above that story.

1616A.1.6 ASCE 7, Section 12.2.3.2. Modify ASCE 7, Section 12.2.3.2, by adding the following additional requirements:

f. Where design of elements of the upper portion is governed by special seismic load combinations, the special loads shall be considered in the design of the lower portion.

1616A.1.7 ASCE 7, Section 12.2.5.6.1 (DSA-SS). The exception after the first paragraph is not permitted by DSA-SS.

1616A.1.8 ASCE 7, Section 12.2.5.7.1 (DSA-SS). The exception after the first paragraph is not permitted by DSA-SS.

1616A.1.9 ASCE 7, Section 12.2.5.7.2 (DSA-SS). The exception after the first paragraph is not permitted by DSA-SS.

1616A.1.10 ASCE 7, Section 12.3.3. Modify first sentence of Section 12.3.3.1 by adding Section 12.3.3.1.1 as follows:

12.3.3.1 Prohibited horizontal and vertical irregularities for Seismic Design Categories D through F. Structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E, or F having horizontal structural irregularity Type Ia, 1b, 5a or 5b of Table 12.3-1 or vertical structural irregularities Type 1h, 5a or 5b of Table 12.3-2 shall not be permitted.

1616A.1.11 ASCE 7, Section 12.3.3.1. Modify ASCE 7, Section 12.3.7, by adding Item 6 to read as follows:

6. Where buildings provide lateral support for walls retaining earth, and the exterior grades on opposite sides of the building differ by more than 6 feet (1829 mm), the load combination of the seismic increment of earth pressure due to earthquake acting on the higher side, as determined by a geotechnical engineer qualified in soils engineering plus the difference in earth pressures shall be added to the lateral forces provided in this section.

1616A.1.12 ASCE 7, Section 12.8.1.3. Replace ASCE 7, Section 12.8.1.3, by the following:

12.8.1.3 Maximum S, value in determination of C₁. For regular structures five stories or less above the base, as defined in Section 12.1.2, and with a period, T, of 0.5 s or less, C₁ is permitted to be calculated using the larger of either 1.5 or 80 percent of the value of S, determined per Sections 11.4.4 or 11.4.7.

1616A.1.13 ASCE 7, Section 12.9.4. Replace ASCE 7 Section 12.9.4 as follows:

12.9.4 Scaling design values of combined response. Modal base shear to determine deflections and drifts shall not be less than the base shear calculated using the equivalent lateral force procedure of Section 12.8.

1616A.1.14 ASCE 7, Section 12.10.2.1. Replace ASCE 7, Exception 1 of Section 12.10.2.1, by adding the following:

Exception:

1. The forces calculated above need not exceed those calculated using the load combinations of Section 12.4.3.2 with seismic forces determined by Equation 12.10.3 and transfer forces, where applicable.

1616A.1.15 ASCE 7, Section 12.12.3. [OSHPD 1 & 4] Replace ASCE 7 Equation 12.12-1 by the following:

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\delta_0 = C_{\text{aw}} \quad \text{(Equation 12.12-1)}
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1616A.1.16 ASCE 7, Section 12.13.1. Modify ASCE 7 Section 12.13.1, by adding Section 12.13.1.1 as follows:

12.13.1.1 Foundations and superstructure-to-foundation connections. The foundation shall be capable of transmitting the design base shear and the overturning forces from the structure into the supporting soil. Stability against overturning and sliding shall be in accordance with Section 1605A.1.1.

In addition, the foundation and the connection of the superstructure elements to the foundation shall have the strength to resist, in addition to gravity loads, the lesser of the following seismic loads:

1. The strength of the superstructure elements.
2. The maximum forces that would occur in the fully yielded structural system.
3. Forces from the load combinations with overstrength factor in accordance with ASCE 7, Section 12.2.4.1.2.

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1616A.1.21 ASCE 7, Section 12.3.3.1. Modify ASCE 7, Section 12.7.2, by adding Item 6 to read as follows:

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1616A.1.22 ASCE 7, Section 12.8.1.3. Replace ASCE 7, Section 12.8.1.3, by the following:

12.8.1.3 Maximum S, value in determination of C₁. For regular structures five stories or less above the base, as defined in Section 12.1.2, and with a period, T, of 0.5 s or less, C₁ is permitted to be calculated using the larger of either 1.5 or 80 percent of the value of S, determined per Sections 11.4.4 or 11.4.7.

Where moment resistance is assumed at the base of the superstructure elements, the rotation and flexural deformation of the foundation shall be added to the superstructure-to-foundation connection shall be considered in the design of the superstructure elements.
1616A.1.17 ASCE 7, Section 13.1.3. [OSHPD 1 & 4]
Modify ASCE 7, Section 13.1.3 for the following:

The design of supports and attachments for all non-structural components shall have a component importance factor, \( I_c \), equal to 1.

Exception: Freestanding skilled nursing or acute psychiatric buildings, not providing services/systems, utilities, or access/egress to general acute care buildings designated as SCH 3 or higher in accordance with Chapter 6 of the California Administrative Code, shall be permitted to use component importance factor, \( I_c \), as shown in Table 1616A.1.17.

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Exception: The enforcement agency shall be permitted to require temporary attachments for equipment with hazardous contents to be shown on construction documents irrespective of weight.

1616A.1.19 ASCE 7, Section 13.4 Replace ASCE 7, Section 13.4.2.3, with the following:

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13.4.2.3 Post-installed anchors in concrete and masonry.

Post-installed anchors in concrete used for component anchorage shall be pre-qualified for seismic applications in accordance with ACI 355.2, ICC-ES A193 or ICC-ES AC308. Post-installed anchors in masonry used for component anchorage shall be pre-qualified for seismic applications in accordance with ICC-ES AC01, AC58 or AC106.

1616A.1.20 ASCE 7, Section 13.5.6. Replace ASCE 7, Section 13.5.6 with the following:

13.5.6 Suspended ceilings. Suspended ceilings shall be in accordance with Table 1616A.1.20.

13.5.6.1 Seismic forces. The weight of the ceiling, \( W_c \), shall include the ceiling grid; ceiling tiles or panels; light fixtures if attached to, clipped to, or laterally supported by the ceiling grid; and other components that are laterally supported by the ceiling. Wall shall be taken as not less than 400 pounds (182 N/m²).

The seismic force, \( F_s \), shall be transmitted through the ceiling attachments to the building structural elements or the ceiling-structure boundary.

13.5.6.2 Seismic design requirements. Suspended acoustical tile or lay-in panel ceilings shall be designed in accordance with ASTM E 580, Section 5.5.2.8, and the requirements of Section 5.3.5.6.2.2, or be designed in accordance with Section 13.2.1.1, or be seismically qualified in accordance with Sections 13.2.5 or 13.2.6.

13.5.6.2.1 Industry standard construction for acoustical tile or lay-in panel ceilings. Acoustical tile or lay-in panel ceilings in Seismic Design Categories D, E, and F shall be designed and installed in accordance with ASTM C 635, ASTM C 636, and ASTM E 580, Section 5 - Seismic Design Categories D, E, and F as modified by Section 13.5.6.2.2.

13.5.6.2.2 Modification to ASTM E 580. Modify ASTM E 580 by the following:

1. Exitways. Lay-in ceiling assemblies in exitways of hospitals and essential services building (12.2 m) or less above the adjacent floor or roof supported by the component. Exception: Special Seismic Certification requirements of this code in accordance with Section 1705A.12.4 shall be applicable.

or

ii. The component weighs 20 pounds (89 N) or less, or is attached to, clipped to, or laterally supported by the ceiling, 5 lb/ft (73 N/m) or less.

Exception: The enforcement agency shall be permitted to require temporary attachments for equipment with hazardous contents to be shown on construction documents irrespective of weight.

1616A.1.19 ASCE 7, Section 13.4 Replace ASCE 7, Section 13.4.2.3, with the following:

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13.4.2.3 Post-installed anchors in concrete and masonry.

Post-installed anchors in concrete used for component anchorage shall be pre-qualified for seismic applications in accordance with ACI 355.2, ICC-ES A193 or ICC-ES AC308. Post-installed anchors in masonry used for component anchorage shall be pre-qualified for seismic applications in accordance with ICC-ES AC01, AC58 or AC106.

Use of screw anchors shall be limited to dry interior conditions. Re-use of screw anchors or screw anchor holes shall not be permitted.

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Use of screw anchors shall be limited to dry interior conditions. Re-use of screw anchors or screw anchor holes shall not be permitted.
1705A.11 Special inspections for seismic resistance. Special inspections itemized in Sections 1705A.11.1 through 1705A.11.8, unless exempted by the exceptions of Section 1705A.12, are required for the following:

1. The seismic force-resisting systems in structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F in accordance with Sections 1705A.11.1 through 1705A.11.3, as applicable.

2. Equipment/components requiring special seismic certification assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F in accordance with Section 1705A.11.4.

3. Architectural, mechanical and electrical components in accordance with Sections 1705A.11.5 and 1705A.11.6.

4. Storage racks in structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F in accordance with Section 1705A.11.7.

5. Seismic isolation and damping systems in accordance with Sections 1705A.11.8, unless exempted by the exceptions of Section 1705A.12.

1705A.11.1 Structural steel. Special inspection for structural steel shall be in accordance with the quality assurance requirements of AISC 341 as modified by Section 1705A.2.1 of this code.

1705A.11.2 Structural wood. Continuous special inspection is required during field gluing operations of elements of the seismic force-resisting system. Periodic special inspection is required for screw attachment, bolting, anchoring and other fastening of components within the seismic force-resisting system, including wood shear walls, wood diaphragms, wood joists and hold-downs.

1705A.11.3 Cold-formed steel light-frame construction. Periodic special inspection is required during welding operations of elements of the seismic force-resisting system. Periodic special inspection is required for screw attachment, bolting, anchoring and other fastening of components within the seismic force-resisting system, including shear walls, braces, diaphragms, collectors (drag struts) and hold-downs.

1705A.11.4 Special inspection for special seismic certification. The special inspector shall examine equipment and components requiring special seismic certification in accordance with Section 1705A.12.4 and verify that the label, anchorage or mounting conforms to the certificate of compliance.

1705A.11.5 Architectural components. Periodic special inspection is required during the erection and fastening of exterior cladding, interior and exterior nonbearing walls, ceilings, and interior and exterior veneer in structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F.

1705A.11.5.1 Access floors. Periodic special inspection is required for the anchorage of access floors in structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F.

1705A.11.6 Mechanical and electrical components. Special inspection of mechanical and electrical components shall be as follows:

1. Periodic special inspection is required during the anchorage of electrical equipment for emergency or standby power systems in structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F.

2. Periodic special inspection is required during the anchorage of other electrical equipment in structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F.

3. Special periodic inspection is required during the installation and anchorage of piping systems designed to carry hazardous materials and their associated mechanical units in structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F.

4. Special periodic inspection is required during the installation and anchorage of ductwork designed to carry hazardous materials in structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F.

5. Special periodic inspection is required during the installation and anchorage of vibration isolation systems in structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F.

1705A.11.7 Storage racks. Periodic special inspection is required during the anchorage of storage racks 8 feet (2438 mm) or greater in height in structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F.

1705A.11.8 Seismic isolation and damping systems. Periodic special inspection is required for seismic isolation systems during the fabrication and installation of isolator units and energy dissipation devices. Continuous special inspection is required for prototype and production testing of seismic isolation systems.

1705A.12 Testing and certification for seismic resistance. The testing and certification specified in Sections 1705A.12.1 through 1705A.12.4, unless exempted from special inspection by the exceptions of Section 1705A.12.2, are as follows:

1. The seismic force-resisting systems in structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F shall meet the requirements of Sections 1705A.12.1 and 1705A.12.2, as applicable.

2. Equipment and components in structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F shall comply with the special seismic certification requirements of Section 1705A.12.3.

3. Architectural, mechanical and electrical components in structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F and where the requirements of ASCE 7 Section 13.2.1, Item 2, are met by a manufacturer’s certificate of compliance, shall meet the testing requirements of Section 1705A.12.5.

1705A.12.1 Concrete reinforcement. Where reinforcement complying with ASTM A 615 is used to resist earth-1705A.11 Special inspections for seismic resistance. Special inspections itemized in Sections 1705A.11.1 through 1705A.11.8, unless exempted by the exceptions of Section 1705A.12, are required for the following:

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2. Equipment/components requiring special seismic certification assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F in accordance with Section 1705A.11.4.

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1705A.11.4 Special inspection for special seismic certification. The special inspector shall examine equipment and components requiring special seismic certification in accordance with Section 1705A.12.4 and verify that the label, anchorage or mounting conforms to the certificate of compliance.

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3. Special periodic inspection is required during the installation and anchorage of piping systems designed to carry hazardous materials and their associated mechanical units in structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F.

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5. Special periodic inspection is required during the installation and anchorage of vibration isolation systems in structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F in accordance with Section 1705A.11.7.

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2. Equipment and components in structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F shall comply with the special seismic certification requirements of Section 1705A.12.3.

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1705A.12.3 Manufacturer’s certification of nonstructural components. The registered design professional shall specify on the construction documents the requirements for manufacturer’s certification by analysis, testing or experience data for nonstructural components, in accordance with Section 3.5.2.1, Item 2 of ASCE 7, where such certification is required by Section 1705A.12. Seismic sway braces satisfying requirements of FM 5930 shall be deemed to satisfy the requirements of this Section. 1705A.12.4 Special seismic certification. (OSHPD 1 & 4) The registered design professional shall specify on the construction documents the requirements for special seismic certification by analysis, testing or experience data for equipment and components listed in Section 1705A.12.4.2. Active or energized equipment and components shall be certified exclusively on the basis of approved shake table testing in accordance with ICC-ES AC 156. Exception: When a single product (not a product line with more than one product with variations) is certified and manufacturing process is ISO 9001 certified, one test shall be permitted. All tests shall be performed by an independent laboratory having accreditation to the International Standards Organization (ISO) accreditation standard 17025 or shall be under the responsible charge of an independent California licensed engineer. Test reports shall be reviewed and accepted by an independent California licensed structural engineer.

For a multi-component system, where active or energized components are certified by tests, connecting elements, attachments, and supports can be justified by supporting analysis.

1705A.12.4.1 Special seismic certification shall be required for the following systems, equipment, and components:

- Equipment and components weighing more than 20 lbs. supported directly on structures (and not mounted on other equipment or components) with supports and attachments in accordance with this code.
- Movables (mobile) and temporary equipment/components that are not anchored to structure or permanently attached to the building utility services such as electricity, gas or water. For the purposes of this requirement, “permanently attached” shall include all electrical connections except plugs for duplex receptacles.
- Piping, ducts, conduits, and cable trays, excluding in-line equipment and components.
- Underground tanks.
- Electric motors and pumps not more than 10 hp rigidly supported directly on structures (and not mounted on other equipment or components) with supports and attachments in accordance with this code.
- Components where importance factor, I_p, is permitted to be 1.0 by this code.

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- Equipment and components weighing more than 20 lbs. supported directly on structures (and not mounted on other equipment or components) with supports and attachments in accordance with this code.
- Elevator equipment (excluding elevator cables).
- Components with hazardous devices.
- Exhaust and smoke control fans.
- Switchgear and switchboards.
- Motor control centers.
- Radiography and fluoroscopy systems in fluoroscopy rooms.
- CT (Computed Tomography) systems.
- Air conditioning units.
- Chillers, evaporators, and condensers.
- Cooling towers.
- Transformers.
- Electrical substations.
- UPS and batteries.
- Distribution panels.
- Control panels.
- Power isolation and correction systems.
- Motorized surgical lighting systems.
- Motorized operating table systems.

Exceptions:

1. Equipment and components weighing more than 20 lbs. supported directly on structures (and not mounted on other equipment or components) with supports and attachments in accordance with this code.

2. Movables (mobile) and temporary equipment/components that are not anchored to structure or permanently attached to the building utility services such as electricity, gas or water. For the purposes of this requirement, “permanently attached” shall include all electrical connections except plugs for duplex receptacles.

3. Piping, ducts, conduits, and cable trays, excluding in-line equipment and components.


5. Electric motors and pumps not more than 10 hp rigidly supported directly on structures (and not mounted on other equipment or components) with supports and attachments in accordance with this code.

6. Components where importance factor, I_p, is permitted to be 1.0 by this code.
load. Pool contractors are encouraged to share this information with consumers regarding the potential dangers a pool or spa poses to toddlers. Additionally, pool contractors shall provide the consumer with swimming pool safety materials produced from organizations such as the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission, Drowning Prevention Foundation, California Coalition for Children’s Safety & Health, Safe Kids Worldwide, Association of Pool and Spa Professionals, or the American Academy of Pediatrics.

**Authority:** Health and Safety Code Section 31094.2(b) Reference: Health and Safety Code Section 115924 AB 3305 (Statutes 1996, c.925); AB 2977 (Statutes 2006, c.478); AB 382 (Statutes 2007, c.596)

**3109.4.4.5 Exempt facilities.** The requirements of this article shall not apply to any of the following:

1. Public swimming pools.

3. Any pool within the jurisdiction of any political subdivision that adopts an ordinance for swimming pool safety that includes requirements that are at least as stringent as this division.

4. An apartment complex or any residential setting other than a single-family home.

**Authority:** Health and Safety Code Section 31094.2(b) Reference: Health and Safety Code Section 115925 AB 3305, (Statutes 1996, c.925); AB 2977 (Statutes 2006, c.478); AB 382 (Statutes 2007, c.596)

**3109.4.4.6 Application to facilities regulated by Department of Social Services.** This division does not apply to any facility regulated by the State Department of Social Services even if the facility is also used as a private residence of the operator. Pool safety in those facilities shall be regulated pursuant to regulations adopted therefor by the State Department of Social Services.

**Authority:** Health and Safety Code Section 31094.2(b) Reference: Health and Safety Code Section 115926 AB 3305, (Statutes 1996, c.925); AB 2977 (Statutes 2006, c.478); AB 382 (Statutes 2007, c.596)

**3109.4.4.7 Modification and interpretation of division.** Notwithstanding any other provision of law, this article shall not be subject to further modification or interpretation by any regulatory agencies of the state, this authority being reserved exclusively to local jurisdictions, as provided for in Item 5 of Section 31094.4.2 and Item 3 of Section 31094.4.3.

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**3109.4.4.8 Construction requirements for building a pool or spa.** Whenever a building permit is issued for the construction a new swimming pool or spa, the pool or spa shall meet all of the following requirements:

1. The suction outlets of the pool or spa for which the permit is issued shall be equipped to provide circulation throughout the pool or spa as prescribed in Paragraphs 2 and 3.

2. The swimming pool or spa shall either have at least two circulation suction outlets per pump that shall be hydraulically balanced and symmetrically plumbed through more “T” fittings, and that are separated by a distance of at least three feet in any dimension between the suction outlets, or be designed to use alternatives to suction outlets including, but not limited to, skimmers or perimeter overflow systems to conduct water to the recirculation pump.

3. The circulation system shall have the capacity to provide a complete turnover of pool water, as specified in Section 3124B of Chapter 31B of the California Building Standards Code (Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations).

4. Suction outlets shall be covered with antientrapment grates, as specified in the ANSI/APSP-16 performance standard or a successor standard designated by the federal Consumer Product Safety Commission, that cannot be removed except with the use of tools. Slots of openings in the grates or similar protective devices shall be of a shape, area and arrangement that would prevent physical entrapment and would not pose any suction hazard to bathers.


6. Whenever a building permit is for the remodel or modification of any existing swimming pool, toddler pool, or spa, the permit shall require that the suction outlet on the existing swimming pool, toddler pool, or spa be upgraded so as to be equipped with antientrapment grates, as specified in the ANSI/APSP-16 performance standard or a successor standard designated by the federal Consumer Product Safety Commission.

**Authority:** Health and Safety Code Section 31094.2(b) Reference: Health and Safety Code Section 115928 AB 3305 (Statutes 1996, c.925); AB 2977 (Statutes 2006, c.478); AB 478 (Statutes 2007, c.596)

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**3109.4.4.9 Construction requirements for building a pool or spa.** Whenever a building permit is issued for the construction a new swimming pool or spa, the pool or spa shall meet all of the following requirements:

1. The suction outlets of the pool or spa for which the permit is issued shall be equipped to provide circulation throughout the pool or spa as prescribed in Paragraphs 2 and 3.

2. The swimming pool or spa shall either have at least two circulation suction outlets per pump that shall be hydraulically balanced and symmetrically plumbed through more “T” fittings, and that are separated by a distance of at least three feet in any dimension between the suction outlets, or be designed to use alternatives to suction outlets including, but not limited to, skimmers or perimeter overflow systems to conduct water to the recirculation pump.

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3110.1 General. Automatic vehicular gates shall comply with the requirements of Sections 3110.2 through 3110.4 and other applicable sections of this code.

3110.2 Definition. The following term is defined in Chapter 2:

VEHICULAR GATE.

3110.3 Vehicular gates intended for automation. Vehicular gates intended for automation shall be designed, constructed and installed to comply with the requirements of ASTMF 2200.

3110.4 Vehicular gate openers. Vehicular gate openers, where provided, shall be listed in accordance with UL 325.

SECTION 3111 AUTOMATIC VEHICULAR GATES

3111.1 Solar photovoltaic power systems. Solar photovoltaic power systems shall be installed in accordance with Sections 3111.2 through 3111.3 and the California Electrical Code.

3111.2 Access and pathways. Roof access, pathways and spacing requirements shall be provided in accordance with Sections 3111.2.1 through 3111.2.3.

Exceptions:
1. Detached, nonhabitable Group U structures including, but not limited to, parking shade structures, carports, solar trellises and similar structures.

2. Roof access, pathways, and spacing requirements need not be provided where the fire chief has determined rooftop operations will not be employed.

3111.2.1 Roof access points. Roof access points shall be located in areas that do not require the placement of ground ladders over openings such as windows or doors, and located at strong points of building construction in locations where the roof does not conflict with overhead obstructions such as tree limbs, wires or signs.

3111.2.2 Solar photovoltaic systems for Group R-3 buildings. Solar photovoltaic systems for Group R-3 buildings shall be provided in accordance with Sections 3111.2.2.1 through 3111.2.2.4.

Exception: These requirements shall not apply to structures designed and constructed in accordance with the California Residential Code.

3111.2.2.1 Size of solar photovoltaic array. Each photovoltaic array shall be limited to 150 feet (45720 mm) by 150 feet (45720 mm). Multiple arrays shall be separated by a 3-foot-wide (914 mm) clear access pathway.

3111.2.2.2 Hip roof layouts. Panels and modules shall be located on Group R-3 buildings with hip roof layouts shall be located in a manner that provides a 3-foot-wide (914 mm) clear access pathway from the eave to the ridge on each roof slope where panels and modules are located. The access pathway shall be located at a structurally strong location on the building capable of supporting the live load of fire fighters accessing the roof.

Exception: These requirements shall not apply to roofs with slopes of two units vertical in 12 units horizontal (2:12) or less.

3111.2.2.3 Single ridge roofs. Panels and modules installed on Group R-3 buildings with a single ridge roof shall be located in a manner that provides two, 3-foot-wide (914 mm) access pathways from the eave to the ridge on each roof slope where panels and modules are located.

Exception: This requirement shall not apply to roofs with slopes of two units vertical in 12 units horizontal (2:12) or less.

3111.2.2.4 Roofs with roof hips and valleys. Panels and modules installed on Group R-3 buildings with roof hips and valleys shall be located no closer than 18 inches (457 mm) to a hip or valley where panels and modules are to be placed on both sides of a hip or valley that is of equal length, the panels shall be permitted to be placed directly adjacent to the hip or valley.

Exception: These requirements shall not apply to roofs with slopes of two units vertical in 12 units horizontal (2:12) or less.

3111.2.2.5 Allowance for smoke ventilation operation. Panels and modules installed on residential buildings shall be located no less than 3 feet (914 mm) from the valley. Where panels are to be located on only one side of a hip or valley that is of equal length, the panels shall be permitted to be placed directly adjacent to the hip or valley.

Exception: These requirements shall not apply to roofs with slopes of two units vertical in 12 units horizontal (2:12) or less.

3111.2.2.6 Roof access points. Roof access points shall be located in areas that do not require the placement of ground ladders over openings such as windows or doors, and located at strong points of building construction in locations where the roof does not conflict with overhead obstructions such as tree limbs, wires or signs.

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ridge in order to allow for fire department smoke ventilation operations.

**Exception:** Panels and modules shall be permitted to be located up to the roof ridge where an alternative ventilation method approved by the fire chief has been provided or where the fire chief has determined vertical ventilation techniques will not be employed.

3111.3 Other than Group R-3 buildings. Access to systems for buildings other than those containing Group R-3 occupancies shall be provided in accordance with Sections 3111.2.3.1 through 3111.2.3.3.

**Exception:** Where it is determined by the fire code official that the roof configuration is similar to that of a Group R-3 occupancy, the residential access and ventilation requirements in Sections 3111.2.2.4 through 3111.2.2.5 shall be permitted to be used.

3111.2.3.1 Access. There shall be a minimum 6-foot-wide (1829 mm) clear perimeter around the edges of the roof.

**Exception:** Where either axis of the building is 250 feet (76200 mm) or less, the clear perimeter around the edges of the roof shall be a minimum 4-foot-wide (1290 mm).

3111.2.3.2 Pathways. The solar installation shall be designed to provide designated pathways. The pathways shall meet the following requirements:

1. The pathway shall be over areas capable of supporting the live load of fire fighters accessing the roof.
2. The centerline axis pathways shall be provided in both axes of the roof. Centerline axis pathways shall run where the roof structure is capable of supporting the live load of fire fighters accessing the roof.
3. Shall be a straight line not less than 4 feet (1290 mm) clear to roof standpipes or ventilation hatches.
4. Shall provide not less than 4 feet (1290 mm) clear around roof access hatch with at least one not less than 4 feet (1290 mm) clear pathway to parapet or roof edge.

3111.2.3.3 Smoke ventilation. The solar installation shall be designed to meet the following requirements:

1. Arrays shall be no greater than 150 feet (45720 mm) by 150 feet (45720 mm) in distance in either axis in order to create opportunities for fire department smoke ventilation operations.
2. Smoke ventilation options between array sections shall be one of the following:
   2.1. A 4-foot (1290 mm) or greater in width pathway and bordering roof skylights or gravity- operated dropout smoke and heat vents on not less than one side.
   2.2. A 4-foot (1290 mm) or greater in width pathway and bordering all sides of nongravity-operated dropout smoke and heat vents on not less than one side.
   2.3. A 4-foot (1290 mm) or greater in width pathway and bordering 4-foot by 8-foot (1290 mm by 2438 mm) “venting cutouts” every 20 feet (6096 mm) on alternating sides of the pathway.

3111.3 Ground-mounted photovoltaic arrays. Ground-mounted photovoltaic arrays shall comply with this section and the California Electrical Code. Setback requirements shall not apply to ground-mounted, free-standing photovoltaic arrays. A clear, brush-free area of 10 feet (3048 mm) shall be required for ground-mounted photovoltaic arrays.

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CHAPTER 31B [DPH]
PUBLIC POOLS

Section 3101B—Definitions

ANCILLARY FACILITY is any area used in conjunction with or for the operation of a pool such as public dressing rooms, lockers, shower or bathroom areas, drinking fountains, equipment room, pool deck area, pool enclosure or building space that is intended to be used by pool users.

BACKWASH is the process of reversing the flow of water through the filter to thoroughly clean the filter media and/or elements and remove the debris from the contents of the filter vessel.

CANTILEVERED DECKING is the part of the deck which extends over a top edge of a pool or spa.

CLEAN POOL WATER is pool water that is free of dirt, oils, scum, algae, floating materials or visible organic and inorganic materials that would pollute the water.

CLEAR POOL WATER is pool water that is free from cloudiness and is transparent.

COPING is a slip-resistant cap installed on the top edge of a pool or spa.

CORROSION RESISTANT is capable of maintaining original surface characteristics under the prolonged influence of the use environment.

DECK is an area surrounding a pool which is specifically constructed or installed for use by pool users.

DIATOMACEOUS EARTH is a filtering media consisting of microscopic fossilized skeletons of diatoms.

EASILY CLEANABLE is a characteristic of a surface or material that allows removal of dirt, stains or residue by normal cleaning methods.

EFFECTIVE PARTICLE SIZE is the theoretical size of a sieve in mm that will pass 10 percent by weight of sand.

ENFORCING AGENT is the health officer, director of environmental health, registered environmental health specialist or occupational health specialist.

EQUIPMENT AREA is an area where the recirculation system and all related appurtenances are located.

HANDHOLD is a structure located at or above the water line that provides access to the bottom of the pool wall that allows a pool user to hold onto the poolside for support.

INLET is a fitting or fixture through which recirculated water enters the pool.

LADDER is a series of vertically separate treads or rungs either connected by vertical rail members or independently fastened to an adjacent vertical pool wall.

LIVING UNIT is any building or portion thereof that contains living facilities including provisions for sleeping.

MAIN DRAIN is a submerged suction outlet typically located at the bottom of a pool that conducts water to a recirculating pump.

MEDICAL POOL is a special-purpose pool used by a State-recognized medical institution engaged in the healing arts under the direct supervision of licensed medical personnel for treatment of the infirm.

OUTLET is a fitting or fixture through which recirculated water is removed from the pool which may or may not be connected to the pump.

PERFORMANCE STANDARD is a standard that is accredited and published. Products compliant with a standard may be listed by any authorized nationally recognized testing laboratory.

PERIMETER OVERFLOW SYSTEM is a system which includes permeate-type overflow gutters, purge basin or similar surface water collective system components and their interconnecting piping.

PERMISSIBLE EXPOSURE LIMIT is the maximum amount or concentration of a chemical that a worker may be exposed to under United States Occupational Safety and Health Administration regulations.

POOL OR PUBLIC POOL is an artificial basin, chamber or tank constructed or prefabricated with impermeable surfaces that is used, or intended to be used, for public swimming, diving or recreational activities but does not include individual therapeutic tubs or baths where the main purpose is the cleaning of the body. Any manmade lake or swimming lagoon with a sand beach or sand bottom is not a public pool.

PUBLIC POOLS are those pools and recreational swimming facilities or facilities of a similar nature that are intended for use by the public, except for the operation of a pool such as public dressing rooms, lockers, shower or bathroom areas, drinking fountains, equipment room, pool deck area, pool enclosure or building space that is intended to be used by pool users.

SECTION 3102B—Definitions

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POOL OPERATOR or OPERATOR is a person who is responsible for maintaining compliance with all requirements relating to pool operation, maintenance and safety of pool users.

POOL USER is a person using a pool and ancillary facilities for the purpose of water activities such as diving, swimming or wading.

RADIUS OF CURVATURE is the radius arc which denotes the curved surface from the point of departure from the skirting of the pool to the pool bottom.

READILY ACCESSIBLE is capable of being reached easily for cleaning, repair, replacement or inspection without the necessity of removing a panel, door or similar obstruction and without requiring a person to climb over or remove obstacles or to use devices such as portable ladders.

READILY DISASSEMBLED means capable of being taken apart by hand or by using only simple tools such as a screwdriver, pliers or open-end wrench.

RECESSED STEPS are a series of vertically spaced cavities in the pool wall creating riser and tread areas for pool ingress and egress.

RECIRCULATION SYSTEM is the system of hydraulic components designed to remove, filter, disinfect and return water to the pool.

RIM FLOW GUTTER is a perimeter overflow system in which the overflow rim is at the same elevation with the deck.

SKIMMER EQUALIZER LINE is a submerged suction outlet located below the waterline and connected to the body of a skimmer that prevents air from being drawn into the pump if the water level drops below the skimmer weir or the skimmer is blocked by debris. A skimmer equalizer line is not a main drain.

SLIP RESISTANT is a rough finish that is not abrasive to the bare foot.

SPA POOL OR SPA is a pool that incorporates a water jet system, an aeration system or a combination of the two systems used in conjunction with heated water.

SPECIAL PURPOSE POOL is a pool constructed exclusively for a specific purpose, such as instruction, diving, competition or medical treatment.

SPASH ZONE is the maximum distance the water from a spray ground can project horizontally.

SPRAY GROUND is a pool with no standing water in the splash zone that consists of a surge basin with a recirculation system from which water is directed through water features for contact with pool users.

SPRINGLINE is the point from which the pool wall breaks from vertical and begins its arc in the radius of curvature.

STAIRS are a series of two or more steps.

STEP is a riser and tread.

SUCTION OUTLET is any outlet that is connected to the pump through which water is removed from the pool.

SURGE BASIN is a reservoir or surge trench open to the atmosphere that receives water via gravity flow from the main drain, spray ground or perimeter overflow system and from which the recirculation system operates.

TEMPERED WATER is water between 100°F and 110°F.

TURNOVER TIME is the maximum time allowed to circulate one complete volume of the pool water through the recirculation system.

UNIFORMITY COEFFICIENT is the ratio of the theoretical size of a sieve in mm that will pass 60 percent of the sand to the theoretical size of a sieve in mm that will pass 10 percent of the sand.

WADING POOL is a pool intended to be used for wading by small children and having a maximum water depth of 18 inches (457 mm) at the deepest point.

WATER FEATURE means an interactive device or structure through which water is directed to the pool user such as a water fountain, water spray, dancing water jet, waterfall, dumping bucket or shooting water cannon.

WATERLINE shall be defined as one of the following:

1. Skimmer system. The waterline shall be the midpoint of the operating range of the skimmer.

2. Overflow system. The waterline shall be the top edge of the overflow rim.

PLAN REVIEW, PERMITS, CONSTRUCTION AND FIELD INSPECTIONS

SECTION 3103B PLAN REVIEW

3103B.1 A person proposing to construct, renovate or alter a pool, ancillary facilities or equipment and appurtenances shall submit plans and specifications complying with this chapter to the enforcing agent for review and written approval prior to commencing construction and shall first be cleared by the enforcing agent before substitution if not an exact duplicate of the units being changed or replaced. A local building department shall not issue a permit for a public pool or ancillary facility until the plans have been approved by the enforcing agent.

3103B.2 Plans submitted for approval pursuant to this section shall be drawn to a scale of 1/4 inch (6.4 mm) equals 1 foot (305 mm), except that plans for spa pools shall be drawn to a scale of 1 inch (25 mm) equals 1 foot (305 mm), unless otherwise approved by the enforcing agent.

3103B.3 The enforcing agent shall notify the person submitting the plans and specifications of approval or disapproval.

3103B.4 The enforcing agent shall retain one copy of the approved plans and specifications and any subsequent changes or modifications. The approved plans shall be valid for a period of two years from the date of approval or as extended by the enforcing agent.

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SECTION 3106B
PLANT COMPARE INSPECTIONS

3106B.8 When multiple pumps are used the control systems for the spray ground water feature pump and recirculation system pump shall be electrically interconnected so that when the recirculation pump is off the spray ground water feature pump shall also be off.

3106B.9 The spray ground shall have a surge basin or treatment tank constructed of materials which are inert, corrosion resistant, non-toxic and watertight including materials such as concrete, fiberglass, polyethylene, stainless steel or other materials as approved by the enforcing agent which can withstand all anticipated loadings under full and empty conditions as determined by an engineer or architect who has experience working on public pools.

3106B.10 The total volume of the surge basin shall be at least 4,000 gallons or a minimum of three times the gallons per minute flow rate of all the spray ground pumps and the recirculation pump combined, whichever is higher.

3106B.11 The turnover time shall be one-half hour or less.

3106B.12 The suction intake for the spray ground or water feature pump in the surge basin shall be located adjacent to the recirculation return line.

3106B.13 When separate pumps are used, the suction intake for the recirculation pump shall be located in the lowest portion of the surge basin and on the opposite side from the suction intake for the spray ground pump.

3106B.14 The surge basin shall be designed to have easy access for cleaning and inspection. The basin shall have at least one ladder access and shall have at least one 3-foot by 3-foot access opening. Lids shall be locked or require a tool to open.

3106B.15 The surge basin shall be equipped with an automatic make up water fill device through an air gap or be protected by an approved backflow prevention device in accordance with Chapter 6 of the California Plumbing Code.

3106B.16 Ultraviolet light disinfection shall be used to supplement disinfection methods required in this chapter unless another treatment process is provided that has been determined by a nationally recognized testing laboratory to be capable of providing at least the equivalent level of reduction of cryptosporidium as the ultraviolet light disinfection system specified in this section. The ultraviolet light disinfection system shall comply with the applicable requirements established by the NSF/ANSI 50-2010 performance standard effective August 2010.

3106B.17 An accurately calibrated ultraviolet light intensity meter that has been properly filtered to restrict its sensitivity to the ultraviolet spectrum shall be installed in the wall of the disinfection chamber at the point of greatest water depth from the light source.

3106B.18 The ultraviolet light unit shall be located on the recirculation system and shall be installed to provide treated water directly to the spray features.

3106B.20 The owner, operator or designated agent shall notify the enforcing agent prior to scheduling the following inspections:

1. Exposed plumbing; and
2. Prior to applying pneumatically placed concrete; and
3. Prior to the final surface to the pool shell; and
4. At the completion of construction. No pool shall be opened to the public without the written approval of the enforcing agent.

SECTION 3106B
SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS FOR SPRAY GROUNDS

3106B.21 Spray grounds. All applicable provisions of this chapter shall apply to a spray ground unless specifically addressed in this section.

3106B.22 Walking surface. A minimum 4-foot wide walking surface shall extend around the perimeter of the splash zone of a spray ground.

3106B.23 The recirculation system shall be in operation at all times that the spray ground is open for use and shall have a minimum of four turnover cycles prior to opening for proper disinfection and filtration.

3106B.24 There shall be no standing water within the splash zone.

3106B.25 Nozzles that spray from the ground level shall be flush with the ground with openings no greater than 1/2 inch. Spray ground water features that extend above the ground must be clearly visible.

3106B.26 The splash zone shall be sloped so that only water from the spray ground water feature flows back to the surge basin. Areas adjacent to the splash zone shall be sloped away from the spray ground to deck drains or other surface water disposal systems.

3106B.27 All foggiers and nozzles that produce finely atomized mists shall be supplied directly from a potable water source and not from the surge basin.

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3106B.29 The ultraviolet light unit shall be located on the recirculation system and shall be installed to provide treated water directly to the spray features.
3106B.19 The ultraviolet light disinfection system must be equipped with an automatic shutdown system that inactivates the water feature pump if the ultraviolet dosage rate drops below 40 mJ/cm².

3106B.20 Artificial lighting shall be provided at all spray ground pads which are lit at night or which do not have adequate natural lighting so that all portions of the spray pad and deck may be seen easily. Lighting that may be exposed to the finish pool water shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer’s specifications and the California Electrical Code.

SECTION 3107B ALTERNATIVE EQUIPMENT, MATERIALS AND METHODS OF CONSTRUCTION

3107B.1 The enforcing agent may approve an alternative equipment, material or method of construction provided it finds that the proposed design is satisfactory and complies with the provisions of this chapter, that the equipment, material, method or work offered is, for the purpose intended, at least equivalent to that prescribed in suitability, strength, effectiveness, fire resistance, durability, safety and sanitation or that the methods of installation proposed conform to other acceptable nationally recognized standards.

3107B.2 The enforcing agent shall require that sufficient evidence or proof be submitted to substantiate claims that may be made regarding the use of alternative equipment, material or method of construction.

3107B.3 Whenever there is insufficient evidence of compliance with the provisions of this chapter, the enforcing agent may require tests as proof of compliance to be made at no expense to the enforcing agent. Tests shall be made in accordance with approved standards, but in the absence of such standards the enforcing agent may specify the test procedure.

SECTION 3108B POOL CONSTRUCTION

3108B.1 Pool shell. The pool shall be built of reinforced concrete or material equivalent in strength, watertight and able to withstand anticipated stresses under both full and empty conditions taking into consideration factors such as climatic effects, geographical conditions and integration of the pool with other structures.

3108B.2 Finish. The finished pool shell shall be lined with a smooth waterproof interior finish that will withstand repeated brushing, scrubbing and cleaning procedures. The interior pool finish shall completely line the pool to the tile lines, coping, or cantilevered deck.

3108B.3 Finish color. The finish color shall be white except for the following which shall be of contrasting color:

1. Lane and other required pool markings described in Section 3110B;
2. The top surface edges of benches in spa pools;
3. The edge of pool steps;
4. Tiles installed at the waterline; and
5. Tiles installed at the 4½-foot (1372 mm) depth line.

Exception: A spa pool may be finished in a light color other than white when approved by the enforcing agent.

3108B.4 Projections and recessed areas. The pool shell shall not have projections or recessed areas except for pool inlets and outlets as specified in Section 3110B.

Exception: This section shall not apply to handholds, recessed steps, ladders, stairs, handrails, skimmers or perimeter overflow systems.

SECTION 3109B POOL GEOMETRY

3109B.1 General. A pool shall conform to the appropriate criteria in Figures 31B-1 through 31B-7.

Exception: A special purpose pool may be exempted from construction standards that are not applicable to the proposed use.

3109B.2 Dimensional tolerances. A construction tolerance shall be permitted on all dimensions in Figure 31B-1 through 31B-3 not to exceed 2 inches (51 mm) except that the tolerance of the water level of a pool with a nonadjustable overflow system shall not exceed 1/8 inch (3.2 mm).

3109B.3 Bottom slope break. Any portion of a pool having a water depth of 4½ feet (1372 mm) or less shall have a uniform slope that shall not exceed 1 foot (305 mm) of vertical in 10 feet (3050 mm) of horizontal. In pools with water depths greater than 4½ feet (1372 mm) the slope shall meet the requirements in Figures 31B-1 through 31B-3. There shall be a uniform water depth along the entire base of the stairs.

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3110B.1 General. No markings, designs or lettering shall be permitted on the pool shell except for slip resistant lane markings, depth marking lines and safety markings.

3110B.2 Lane markings. Slip resistant lane lines at the bottom of the pool shall not exceed 12 inches (305 mm) in width.

3110B.3 Depth marking line. There shall be installed a straight line of slip resistant tile a minimum of 4 inches (102 mm) and not greater than 6 inches (152 mm) wide of a color contrasting with the background of the pool shell across the bottom of the pool where the water depth is 4 7/8 feet (1372 mm).

Exception: Pools having a maximum water depth of 5 feet (1524 mm) or less shall not be required to have a depth marking line.

3110B.4 Water depth markings.

3110B.4.1 Location. The water depth shall be clearly marked at the following locations:
1. Maximum depth; and
2. Minimum depth; and
3. Each end; and
4. Both sides at the shallowest and deepest part of the pool; and
5. At the break in the bottom slope between the shallow and deep portions of the pool (see also Section 3109B.3); and
6. Along the perimeter of the pool at distances not to exceed 25 feet (7620 mm).

Note: For an illustration diagram pertaining to this section see Figure 31B-8.

3110B.4.2 Position. Where required by Section 3110B.4.1, depth markers shall be located in the following positions:
1. On the coping or on the deck, the depth markers shall be placed as closed as possible but no more than 5 feet (914 mm) from the pool water; and
2. For pools with skimmer systems the depth markers shall be high at the waterline which will result in the depth markers being submerged approximately 50 percent; or
3. For pools with separate overflow systems where copings cantilever over the gutter depth markers may be positioned at the face of the cantilevered coping, the back wall above the gutter or immediately below the waterline which will result in the depth markers being completely submerged; or
4. For pools with rim flow gutters, depth markers shall be recessed immediately below the waterline which will result in the depth markers being completely submerged.

3111B Steps, Recessed Steps, Ladders and Stairs

3111B.1 Construction. A means of entry and exit to and from the pool shall consist of steps, recessed steps, ladders, stairs or a combination of these. Stairs or ramps shall be provided in the shallowest portion of a pool if the vertical distance from the bottom of the pool to the deck is over 1 foot (305 mm). In pools with more than one shallow end, stairs or ramps shall be provided at a minimum at one shallow end. A second means of entry and exit shall be provided in the deep portion of a pool having a depth greater than 4 7/8 feet (1372 mm). Where the width of the pool exceeds 30 feet (9144 mm), such means of entry and exit shall be provided at each side, not more than 100 feet (30,480 mm) apart.

Note: For illustrated diagrams pertaining to this section see Figures 31B-6 and 31B-7.

3111B.2 Ladders. Ladders shall be corrosion resistant and shall be equipped with slip resistant tread surfaces. Ladders shall be rigidly and securely installed and provide a clearance of not less than 3 inches (76 mm) or more than 5 inches (127 mm) between any part of the ladder and the pool wall.

3111B.3 Stairs. Each step of a stair shall have a tread in accordance with Figure 31B-7. Risers shall conform to Figure 31B-7. At least one hand rail shall be provided extending from the deck to not less than a point above the top step installed in accordance with Figure 31B-7.

3111B.4 Ladder and recessed step dimensions. Ladder treads and recessed steps shall have a minimum tread of 5 inches (127 mm) and a width of 14 inches (356 mm) and shall be designed to be readily cleaned. Step risers shall be uniform and shall not exceed 12 inches (305 mm) in height. The first riser shall be measured from the deck.

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1. Maximum depth; and
2. Minimum depth; and
3. Each end; and
4. Both sides at the shallowest and deepest part of the pool; and
5. At the break in the bottom slope between the shallow and deep portions of the pool (see also Section 3109B.3); and
6. Along the perimeter of the pool at distances not to exceed 25 feet (7620 mm).

Exception: A spa or wading pool shall have a minimum of two depth markers indicating the maximum depth.

Note: For an illustration diagram pertaining to this section see Figure 31B-8.

3111B.4.2 Position. Where required by Section 3110B.4.1, depth markers shall be located in the following positions:
1. On the coping or on the deck, the depth markers shall be placed as closed as possible but no more than 5 feet (914 mm) from the pool water; and
2. For pools with skimmer systems the depth markers shall be high at the waterline which will result in the depth markers being submerged approximately 50 percent; or
3. For pools with separate overflow systems where copings cantilever over the gutter depth markers may be positioned at the face of the cantilevered coping, the back wall above the gutter or immediately below the waterline which will result in the depth markers being completely submerged; or
4. For pools with rim flow gutters, depth markers shall be recessed immediately below the waterline which will result in the depth markers being completely submerged.

3111B.4.4 Size of markers. Depth markers shall:
1. Have numerals a minimum of 4 inches (102 mm) in height and of a color contrasting with the background and be marked in units of feet and inches. Abbreviations of FT and IN may be used in lieu of feet and inches; and
2. Be made of a durable material that is resistant to weathering; and
3. Be slip resistant when they are located on the pool deck.

3111B.5 No diving markers. For pool water depths 6 feet (1830 mm) or less no diving markers with the universal symbol of no diving, which is a red circle with a slash through it superimposed over the image of a diver, shall be installed on the deck directly adjacent to the depth markers required by Section 3110B.4.1. No diving markers shall comply with Section 3110B.4.2(3).
3111B.5 Handrails for ladders and recessed steps. Handrails shall be provided at the top of both sides of each ladder and recessed steps and shall extend over the coping or edge of the deck.

3111B.6 Handrails for spas. Two hand rails shall be provided extending from the deck to not less than a point above the top of the lowest step in accordance with Figure 31B-7. The steps shall be located where the deck is at least 4 feet (1219 mm) wide.

3111B.7 Dimensional tolerances. Finished step tread and riser construction tolerances shall be ± 1/8 inch (12.5 mm). [DSA-AC] Additional requirements may apply. Refer to Chapter 11B for accessibility provisions applicable to public accommodations, commercial buildings and public housing.

SECTION 3112B HANDHOLES

3112B.1 General. Every pool shall be provided with handholes (perimeter overflow system, bull-nosed coping or cantilevered decking) around the entire perimeter installed not greater than 9 inches (229 mm) above the wateline.

Exception: Handholes are not required for wading pools.

3112B.2 For special purpose pools used for instruction or competitive swimming, a handhold at water level similar to the rim of a perimeter overflow system is required.

3112B.3 Where perimeter overflow systems are not provided, a bull-nosed coping or cantilevered decking of reinforced concrete, or material equivalent in strength and durability, with rounded slip resistant edges shall be provided. The overhang for either bull-nosed coping or cantilevered decking shall not exceed 2 inches (51 mm) or be less than 1 inch (25 mm) and shall not exceed 2/3 inches (64 mm) in thickness.

Exception: The enforcing agency may accept other handholds for spa pools.

SECTION 3113B DIVING BOARDS AND PLATFORMS

3113B.1 General. Diving boards and platforms shall be anchored to the pool deck, constructed of corrosion resistant material, designed and constructed to be easily cleanable and finished with a durable slip resistant material.

3113B.2 Rails and steps. Diving boards or platforms greater than 18 inches (456 mm) in height above the deck shall be provided with a ladder or other access. Hand rails shall be provided at all ladders and stairs leading to diving boards or platforms more than 1 meter above the water. Diving boards and platforms that are over 1 meter above the water shall have guard rails on both sides of the diving board or platform that extend to a point on the platform directly above the water’s edge. Guard rails shall be 36 inches (914 mm) above the diving board or platform.

3113B.3 Dimensions. Dimensions and clearances for the use of diving boards or platforms shall conform to those shown in Figures 31B-1 and 31B-2. Platforms and diving boards shall conform to the USA Diving Rules and Codes, Part 1, Subpart A and Appendix B, effective January 1, 2010.

SECTION 3114B POOL DECKS

3114B.1 General. A minimum continuous and unobstructed 4-foot-wide (1219 mm) slip resistant, cleanable, nonabsorbent deck area of concrete or like material shall be provided flush with the top of the pool coping extending completely around the pool, and the deck area shall further extend 4 feet (1219 mm) on both sides and rear of any diving board, fixed disabled access assistance device or slide and their appurtenances. The deck width shall be measured from the poolside edge of the coping lip.

Exception: A deck at least 4 feet (1219 mm) in width shall extend around a continuous 50 percent or more of the perimeter of a spa pool.

3114B.2 Deck between pools and/or spas. Where multiple pools and/or spas are built adjacent to each other, the deck width separating them shall be a minimum of 6 feet (1830 mm).

3114B.3 Deck slope. The pool’s deck surface shall have a slope of no less than 1 percent (1/8 inch per foot) but no more than 2 percent (1/4 inch per foot) away from the pool to a deck drainage system and shall be constructed and finished to prevent standing water.

3114B.4 Deck covering. Deck coverings or other materials that are not equivalent to concrete in strength, durability and slip resistance are not to withstand repeated brushing, scrubbing or cleaning procedures that shall not be installed or used within 4 feet (1219 mm) of the pool.

3114B.5 Unpaved areas. Landscape plants, flower beds or similar unpaved areas shall not be located within 4 feet (1219 mm) of a spa pool.

SECTION 3115B POOL LIGHTING

3115B.1 General. Pools shall have underwater and deck lighting such that lighted areas or other persons may observe, without interference from direct and reflected glare from the lighting sources, every part of the underwater area and pool surface, all diving boards or other pool appurtenances. If underwater or deck surface lighting is not operational, the operator of the pool shall secure the pool area and not permit any use of the pool after dark and shall post the same sign as required in Section 3120B.9.

Note: See Part 3, Article 3-680, Title 24, California Code of Regulations for electrical installation requirements.

3115B.2 Nighttime use. Pools used at night shall be equipped with underwater lighting fixtures that will provide complete illumination to all underwater areas of the pool with no blind
ANCILLARY FACILITIES

SECTION 3116B
DRESSING, SHOWER AND TOILET FACILITIES

3116B.1 Shower and dressing facilities shall be provided for users of a pool.

Exceptions:
1. Shower and dressing facilities may not be required when pool users have access to such facilities in adjacent living quarters.
2. Public toilet facilities may be omitted when pool users have access to toilet facilities either in living quarters located not more than 300 feet (91,440 mm) in travel distance from the pool or in an adjacent building such as a recreational facility, clubhouse or cabana.

3116B.2 Number of sanitary facilities. For the purpose of this subsection, one pool user shall be considered for every 15 square feet (1.39 m²) of pool water surface area and/or spray ground splash zone area.

3116B.2.1 Showers. One shower shall be provided for every 50 pool users.

3116B.2.2 Toilets. Separate toilet facilities shall be provided for each sex. One toilet shall be provided for every 60 women or less and one toilet plus one urinal for every 75 men or less.

3116B.2.3 Lavatories. One lavatory shall be provided for every 80 pool users.

3116B.3 Construction.

3116B.3.1 Floors. Floors shall have a hard, nonabsorbent surface, such as portland cement concrete, ceramic tile or other approved material, which extends upwards onto the wall at least 5 inches (127 mm) with a coved base. Floors which may be walked on by a wet pool user shall be slip resistant. Floors shall be sloped not less than 1/4 inch (6.4 mm) per foot to floor drains or other approved surface water disposal areas. Carpeting and other similar artificial floor covering shall not be permitted on shower and toilet room floors.

3116B.3.2 Interior surfaces. The materials used in the walls, except for structural elements, shall be of a type which is not adversely affected by moisture.

3116B.3.3 Privacy. All doors and windows shall be arranged to prevent view of the interior from any portion of the building used by the opposite sex and view from the outdoors. View screens shall be permitted for this purpose.

3116B.4 Water supply.

3116B.4.1 Showers and lavatories shall be provided with hot and cold water faucets.

3116B.4.2 Tempered water shall be permitted in lieu of individual hot and cold water faucets. A means to limit the hot water to 110°F (43°C) maximum shall be provided to prevent scalding. This temperature limit control shall not be adjustable by the pool user.

SECTION 3117B
DRINKING FOUNTAINS

One guarded jet drinking fountain shall be provided for the first 250 pool users and an additional fountain shall be provided for each additional 200 pool users or fraction thereof. The number of pool users shall be determined according to Section 3116B.2.

Exceptions:
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ANCILLARY FACILITIES

SECTION 3118B
HOSE BIBBS

Potable water outlets with hose attachments shall be protected by a nonremovable hose bibb backflow preventer, a nonremovable hose bibb vacuum breaker or by an atmospheric vacuum breaker installed not less than 6 inches (152 mm) above the highest point of usage located on the discharge side of the last valve as required by the California Plumbing Code. In climates where freezing temperatures occur, a listed and approved frost-proof hose bibb with an integral backflow preventer or vacuum breaker shall be used. Hose bibbs shall be provided so that all portions of the pool deck area may be reached with a 75 foot length of hose attached to the hose bibb. A hose bibb shall be provided in the equipment area. Hose bibbs shall be located so that they do not constitute a hazard.

SECTION 3119B
POOL ENCLOSURE

3119B.1 Enclosure. The pool shall be enclosed by one or a combination of the following: a fence, portion of a building, wall, or other approved durable enclosure. Doors, windows, spots. Illumination shall enable a lifeguard or other persons to determine whether:

1. A pool user is lying on the bottom of the pool; and
2. The pool water conforms to the definition of “clear pool water.”

Exception: Pools provided with a system of overhead to lighting fixtures where it can be demonstrated to the enforcing agent that the system is equivalent to the underwater lighting fixture system.

3115B.3 Deck area lighting. When the pool is to be used at night, pool deck areas and emergency egress areas shall be provided with lighting so that persons walking on the deck can identify hazards. Lighting fixtures shall be aimed towards the deck area and away from the pool surface insofar as practical.

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gates of living units or associated private premises shall not be permitted as part of the pool enclosure. The enclosure, doors and gates shall meet all of the following specifications:

1. The enclosure shall have a minimum effective perpendicular height of 5 feet (1524 mm) as measured from the outside as depicted in Figure 31B-4; and
2. Openings, holes or gaps in the enclosure, doors and/or gates shall not allow the passage of a 4-inch (102 mm) diameter sphere. The enclosure shall be constructed using a hard and permanent material equivalent to concrete; and
3. The enclosure shall be designed and constructed so that it cannot be readily climbed by small children. Horizontal and diagonal member designs which might serve as a ladder for small children are prohibited. Horizontal members shall be spaced at least 48 inches (1219 mm) apart. No planters or other structures that can be climbed shall be permitted within 5 feet (1524 mm) of the outside of the pool enclosure or within a foot (305 mm) as depicted in Figure 31B-3. The area 5 feet (1524 mm) outside of the pool enclosure shall be a common area open to the public; and
4. Chain link may be used, provided that the openings are not greater than 1/2 inch (13 mm) measured horizontally.

311B.2 Gates. Gates and doors opening into the pool enclosure also shall meet the following specifications:

1. Gates and doors shall be equipped with self-closing and self-latching devices. The self-latching device shall keep the gate or door securely closed. Gates and doors shall open outwardly away from the pool except where otherwise required in this section, affixed to a wall, pole, gate or similar permanent structure in a location visible to all pool users.
2. Openings, holes or gaps in the enclosure, doors and/or gates shall not allow the passage of a 4-inch (102 mm) diameter sphere. The enclosure shall be constructed using a hard and permanent material equivalent to concrete; and
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311B.3 No diving sign. Signs shall be posted in conspicuous places and shall state, “NO DIVING” at pools with a maximum water depth of 6 feet or less.

311B.4 No lifeguard sign. Where no lifeguard service is provided, a sign shall be posted stating, “NO LIFEGUARD ON DUTY.” The sign shall also state in letters at least 1 inch (25 mm) high, “Children under the age of 14 shall not use pool without a parent or adult guardian in attendance.”

Exception: “No lifeguard sign” requirement does not apply to wading pools or spray grounds.

311B.5 Artificial respiration and cardiopulmonary resuscitation sign. An illustrated diagram with text at least 1/2 inch (6 mm) high of artificial respiration and cardiopulmonary resuscitation procedures shall be posted.

311B.6 Emergency sign. The emergency telephone number shall be posted in a prominent location. The number shall be posted in letters at least 1 inch (25 mm) high stating EMERGENCY EXIT.

311B.7 Warning sign for a spa pool. A warning sign for spa pools shall be posted stating, “CAUTION” and shall include the following language in 1 inch (25 mm) high:

1. Elderly persons, pregnant women, infants and those with health conditions requiring medical care should consult with a physician before entering the spa.
2. Unsupervised use by children under the age of 14 is prohibited.
3. Hot water immersion while under the influence of alcohol, narcotics, drugs or medicines may lead to serious consequences and is not recommended.

3120B.1 General. All signs shall have clearly legible letters or numbers not less than 4 inches (102 mm) high, unless otherwise required in this section, affixed to a wall, pole, gate or similar permanent structure in a location visible to all pool users.

3120B.2 Pool user capacity sign. A sign shall indicate the maximum number of pool users permitted for each pool.

3120B.2.1 Spa pool. The pool user capacity of a spa pool shall be based on one pool user for every 20 square feet (1.858 m²) of pool water surface area.

Exception: Pool user capacity requirements do not apply to wading pools or spray grounds.

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2. Unsupervised use by children under the age of 14 is prohibited.
3. Hot water immersion while under the influence of alcohol, narcotics, drugs or medicines may lead to serious consequences and is not recommended.
4. Do not use alone.
5. Long exposure may result in hyperthermia, nausea, dizziness or fainting.

3120B.8 Emergency shut off. In letters at least one inch (25 mm) high a sign shall be posted at the spa emergency shut off switch stating, “EMERGENCY SHUT OFF SWITCH.”

3120B.9 No use after dark. Where pools were constructed for which lighting was not required, a sign shall be posted at each pool entrance on the outside of the gate(s) stating, “NO USE OF POOL ALLOWED AFTER DARK.”

3120B.10 Keep closed. A sign shall be posted on the exterior side of the door entering the chemical feeder room or who have had active diarrhea within the previous 14 days shall not be allowed to enter the pool water.

3120B.12 Wave pools. A sign in letters at least 1 inch (25 mm) high and in a language or diagram that is clearly stated shall be posted at the entrance area of a public pool which states that persons having currently active diarrhea or who have had active diarrhea within the previous 14 days shall not be allowed to enter the pool water.

3120B.13 Spray ground sign. A sign shall be posted at each spray ground and be visible from any part of the spray ground that states, “CAUTION: WATER IS RECIRCULATED. DO NOT DRINK.”

3120B.14 Exit. Where automatic gaseous chlorine chemical feeders are used, a sign shall be posted at the pool area entrance which shows in a diagrammatic form an emergency evacuation procedure. Designated emergency exits shall be marked “EXIT.”

3120B.15 Gaseous oxidizer. Where automatic gaseous chlorine chemical feeders are used, a warning sign with the appropriate hazard identification symbol shall be posted on the exterior side of the door entering the chemical feeder room or area. The sign shall state, “DANGER: GASEOUS OXIDIZER - (specific chemical name)” or as otherwise required by the California Fire Code.

3120B.16 Turn on before entering. Where automatic gaseous chemical feeders are used, a sign shall be posted at the switch to the light and ventilation system for the gaseous chemical feeder room stating, “TURN ON BEFORE ENTERING,” or as otherwise required by the California Fire Code.

3120B.17.1 Direction of flow. 3120B.17.2. Where the recirculation equipment for more than one pool is located on site, the equipment shall be marked as to which pool the system serves.

3120B.17.3. Valves and plumbing lines shall be labeled clearly with the source or destination descriptions.

3123B.1 System description. Each pool shall be provided with a separate recirculation system designed for the continuous recirculation, filtration and disinfection of pool water. The system shall consist of pumps, filters, chemical feeders, skimmers and supplemental equipment. Equipment shall be labeled clearly with directional symbols such as arrows on all piping in the equipment area. The sign shall state, “TURN ON BEFORE ENTERING,” or as otherwise required by the California Fire Code.

3123B.2 Equipment. All pumps, filters, chemical feeders, skimmers and supplemental equipment shall comply with the applicable requirements established by the NSFANSI 50-2012 performance standard effective September 2012.

3123B.3 Installation. All equipment related to pool operations shall be installed and maintained according to this chapter and in accordance with the equipment manufacturer’s written instructions.
3123B.4 Equipment access. All filters, valves, pumps, strain-
ers and equipment shall be readily accessible for repair and
replacement.

3124B TURNOVER TIME

The recirculation system shall have the capacity to provide a complete turnover of pool water in:
1. One-half hour or less for a spa pool; and
2. One-half hour or less for a spray ground; and
3. One hour or less for a wading pool; and
4. Two hours or less for a medical pool; and
5. Six hours or less for all other types of public pools.

3125B RECIRCULATION PIPING SYSTEM AND COMPONENTS

3125B.1 Line sizes. Pipes shall be sized so flow velocity of pip-
ing systems including all pipes and fittings other than inlet
devices or venturi throttles shall not exceed 6 feet per second (1.829 m/s) in any suction or copper piping and 8 feet per sec-
don (2.438 m/s) in any portion of the return system.
3125B.1.1 Materials. All piping, tubing and fittings shall comply with the applicable standards for potable water system
3125B.2 Gauges. A pressure and vacuum gauge shall be pro-
vided for each pump system. Each gauge shall have a scale
range approximately 1/4 times the maximum anticipated work-
ing pressure or vacuum and shall be accurate within 2 percent of
scale. The pressure gauge located on the filter shall be
marked with the clean start up pressure reading.
3125B.3 Flow meter. A flow meter shall be provided on each
recirculation system accurate to within 10 percent of flow and
installed according to the manufacturer’s written instructions
with increments in the range of normal flow.
3125B.4 Basket strainer. A basket strainer shall be provided on
the suction side of the recirculation pump. A basket strainer
will not be required on pumps connected to vacuum filters
where the filter elements are not removed for cleaning.
3125B.5 Backwash piping. Piping, including necessary valves
conforming to Section 3125B.1, shall be provided for each fil-
ter vessel or element which requires periodic backwashing.
3125B.6 Valves. Valves shall not be located in any deck area
surrounding a pool. Valves shall be installed on all recirculation, backwashing and drain system lines which
require shutoff isolation, adjustment or control of the rate of
flow. Each valve shall be installed in the equipment area and
labeled as to its purpose.

3126B RECIRCULATION PUMP CAPACITY

3126B.1 Pool recirculation pumps shall have the following total
dynamic head capacities:
1. Pressure diatomaceous earth filters. At least 60 feet (18,288 mm); and
2. Vacuum diatomaceous earth filters. Twenty inches (508
mm) vacuum on the suction side and 40 feet (12,192 mm) total
dynamic head; and
3. Rapid sand filters. At least 45 feet (13,716 mm); and
4. High rate sand filters. At least 60 feet (18,288 mm); and
5. Cartridge filters. At least 60 feet (18,288 mm).
3126B.2. Pumps with other total dynamic head capacities shall be permitted provided the turnover times are maintained
as required in Section 3124B.

3127B WATER SUPPLY INLETS

3127B.1 General. Each pool shall be supplied with potable
water by means of a permanently installed pipeline from a pub-
lie water supply system holding a permit from the California
Department of Public Health or from a source approved by the
enforcing agent.
3127B.2 Backflow prevention. There shall be no direct con-
nection between any potable water supply system and the pool
or its piping system unless protected by a backflow prevention
device in accordance with Chapter 6 of the California Plumb-
ing Code.
3127B.3 Makeup water. Automatic makeup water flow con-
trols with a manual override control shall be provided to main-
tain the proper pool water level.

3128B FILTERS (ALL TYPES)

3128B.1 General requirements. All filters, regardless of type,
shall be designed and constructed according to the applicable
requirements established by the NSF/ANSI 50-2012 perfor-
mance standard effective September 2012.
3128B.2 Installation. Each filter vessel shell shall be installed,
piped and provided with valves so that it can be isolated from
the recirculation system for repairs and backwashing.

3129B RAPID SAND PRESSURE FILTERS

In addition to the requirements for all filters as indicated in Sec-
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3132B.1 Filter media. The filter shall contain not less than a 20-inch (508 mm) depth of media and not less than a 10-inch (254 mm) depth of filter gravel above the underdrain system.

3132B.2 Filter media. The filter shall have an effective particle size between 0.40 and 0.55 millimeters and a uniformity coefficient not exceeding 1.75.

3132B.2.1 The filter gravel shall be sized and placed to provide a backwash and filtration rate not less than 15 gallons per minute per square foot of filter area. The backwash rate shall not be less than 15 gallons per minute per square foot (61.2 L/m²) of filter area.

Section 3134B: Disinfectant Feeders

Disinfectant feeders shall comply with applicable requirements established by the NSF/ANSI 50-2010 performance standard effective August 2010 for disinfectant feeders. In addition to the requirements for chemical feeders as indicated in Section 3133B, the following apply to disinfectant feeders.

3134B.1 Minimum capacity. All feeders shall be capable of delivering not less than the equivalent of 3 pounds (1.4 kg) and 100 percent available chlorine per day per 10,000 gallons (37,850 L) of pool water capacities.

3134B.2 Rate of flow adjustment. A visible means of determining the rate of flow through the device shall be provided for each disinfectant feeder.

3134B.3 Compressed chlorine gas disinfectant equipment. Chlorine gas shall not be dispersed directly into the water of a pool except as an aqueous solution through the return line of the recirculation system.
3135B.1 Location. The gas chlorination equipment room shall not be located in any habitable building, above the first floor or below ground level.

3135B.2 Exit. Required exit doors shall swing in the direction of exit of travel and shall not open directly toward the pool or pool deck.

3135B.3 Ventilation. Mechanical exhaust ventilation systems shall be in compliance with the California Mechanical Code.

3135B.4 Alarm. An audible and visible chlorine detection alarm system shall be located in the room containing the gas chlorine equipment. The sensor shall be located within 6 inches (152 mm) of the floor level. The system shall continually monitor the room and shall activate when chlorine concentrations in the room exceed a Permissible Exposure Limit of 0.5 ppm. Activation of the alarm shall cause the chlorinator to the source and turn on the lights and ventilation system. The alarm system shall consist of the following:

1. An audible alarm capable of producing a sound level of at least 90 decibels, and
2. A visible alarm consisting of a strobe light which is mounted directly over the entrance to the chlorine equipment room. The light shall be visible during daylight hours.

3135B.5 Illumination. Artificial illumination of at least 50 footcandles as measured 50 inches (750 mm) from the floor shall be provided in the room.

3135B.6 Switches. Switches for the control of mechanical ventilation and lighting fixtures shall be located adjacent to the entry door outside the room.

3135B.7 Equipment interlocks. The gas chlorine feeding device shall be interlocked with the pool recirculating pump and the gas chlorine feeding device shall not operate when the recirculating pump is off or during the filter backwash.

3135B.8 Storage. The gas chlorine room shall not be used for the storage of items not related to the use of the gas chlorine equipment.
SECTION 3137B
POOL FITTINGS

3137B.1 Outlets. Each pool shall be provided with a main drain submerged suction outlet typically located at the bottom of a pool that conducts water to a recirculating pump. Suction outlets shall comply with all of the following provisions:

1. Each pump on a pool system shall be connected to at least two suction outlets. The suction outlets shall be hydraulically balanced and symmetrically plumbed through one or more “T” fittings and shall be separated by a distance of at least 3 feet (915 mm) in any dimension between the suction outlets; and

2. All suction outlets shall be equipped with suction fittings that meet the ANSI/APSP-16-2011 performance standard; and

3. The velocity of the suction piping installed between the suction outlets shall not exceed 3 feet per second (911 mps) under normal operation, or 6 feet per second (1.82 mps) if one outlet is blocked; and

4. Hydraulic relief devices. In areas with a high ground-water table, or as required by local plumbing codes, a hydraulic relief device shall be installed. When used in conjunction with a safety vacuum release system, the hydraulic relief device must meet the manufacturer’s installation requirements for the safety vacuum release system.

Exception: Alternative outlet locations that have been designed by a licensed engineer who has experience working on public pools may be used (approved by the enforcing agent).

3137B.2 Inlet fittings. Each pool shall be provided with not less than two recirculation system inlets for the first 10,000 gal (37,850 L) capacity and one additional inlet for each additional 10,000 gallon (37,850 L) or less capacity.

3137B.2.1 Construction. Inlet fittings shall not protrude greater than 1/4 inch (32 mm) into the pool shall be shaped, rounded and smooth.

3137B.2.2 Location. Inlet fittings shall be located no less than 18 inches (457 mm) below the wateline, except for a spa pool or wading pool. Inlet fittings shall be separated by at least 10 feet (3048 mm) and shall be located so as to ensure uniform circulation.

3137B.2.3 Adjustment. Provisions shall be made for adjusting the volume of flow through each inlet. Wall inlets shall be capable of adjusting the direction of flow to produce sufficient velocity to impart a substantial circulatory movement to the pool water.

3137B.2.4 Floor inlets. Pools that are greater than 40 feet (12,192 mm) in width or 3,000 square feet (278.7 m²) in surface area shall have floor-mounted return inlets. The number of floor inlets shall be in compliance with Section 3137B.2.2. All floor inlet fittings shall be provided in uniform circumference and shall be installed so as to be flush with the surface of the pool bottom.

SECTION 3138B
POOL SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

3138B.1 Aeration system. A spa pool aeration and/or jet system shall be completely separate from the recirculation system and shall not be interconnected with any other pool system.

3138B.2 Maximum operating temperature. The allowable water temperature of a spa pool shall not exceed 104° F (40° C).

3138B.3 Surface area. The water surface area of a spa pool shall not exceed 250 square feet (23.23 m²).

3138B.4 Maximum depth. The depth of the water depth in a spa pool shall not exceed 5 feet (1220 mm).

3138B.5 Emergency shut off switch. A clearly labeled emergency shut off switch for the control of both the recirculation system and the aeration and/or jet system shall be installed adjacent to the spa pool.

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### Table 31B-1

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<td>Min.</td>
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**Notes for Figure 31B-1 and Table 31B-1:**

1. Maximum radius shall equal D2 minus D1 dimensions.
2. Radii at the shallow end shall not be more than 12 inches.
3. The length of a section is based on the maximum slope and other maximum and minimum dimensions.
4. Where there is a break in slope, the break shall be located at a water depth equal to 4'-6".
5. The springline depth at (4) shall not be more than 4'-0".
6. The maximum water depth shall be 3'-6".
7. Each pool shall be provided with a main drain submerged suction outlet typically located at the bottom of the pool that conducts water to a recirculating pump.
**FIGURE 31B-2**
DEPTHS AND CLEARANCES FOR POOLS WITH DIVING BOARDS 30 INCHES (762 MM) OR LESS ABOVE THE WATER LINE

**TABLE 31B-2**

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Notes for Figure 31B-2 and Table 31B-2:
1. Radius at the shallow end shall be a maximum of 1'-0".
2. Springline D1 shall extend to the break in slope between the shallow area and the deep area.
3. Maximum radius shall equal D2 minus D1 dimensions.
4. Where there is a break in slope, the break shall be located at a water depth equal to 4'-6".
5. Length of section is based on maximum slope and other maximum or minimum dimensions.
6. Each pool shall be provided with a main drain submerged suction outlet typically located at the bottom of the pool that conducts water to a recirculating pump.
DEPTHS AND CLEARANCES FOR POOLS WITHOUT DIVING BOARDS

**Notes for Figure 31B-3 and Tables 31B-3a and 31B-3b**

1. Radius at the shallow end shall be a maximum of 1'-0".
2. Springline D1 shall extend to the break in slope between the shallow area and deep area.
3. Maximum radius shall equal D2 minus D1 dimensions.
4. Where there is a break in slope, the break shall be located at a water depth equal to 4'-6".
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11. To the extent that the requirements for public wading pools imposed by Section 116064 conflict with this section, the requirements of this section shall prevail.

12. The department shall have no authority to take any enforcement action against any person for violation of this section and has no responsibility to administer or enforce the provisions of this section.

Authority: Health and Safety Code Section 116064 (e)
FIGURE 31B-4  
PERPENDICULAR FENCING DIMENSIONS ON SLOPING GROUND

FIGURE 31B-5  
EFFECTIVE FENCING HEIGHT
FIGURE 31B-6
DEPTHS AND DIMENSIONS FOR SPA POOLS
### TABLE 31B-6
**Depth of Water** | **Length of Sections**
--- | --- | --- | ---
**Dimension** | **D1** | **D2** | **L1** | **L2**
**Minimum** | — | 24" | 12" | 24"
**Maximum** | 24" | 48" | 24" | —

**Notes for Figure 31B-6 and Table 31B-6:**
1. Bottom slope shall not exceed 1:10 and must be uniform.
2. Bench ramping shall not exceed 1:10 uniform slope, measured at the inner circumference of the bench.
3. Six inch minimum radius at "pinch points."
4. See Section 3111B for step and handrail dimensions.

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### FIGURE 31B-7
**Stair and Handrail Dimensions**

**Triangular Step**

**Convex Step**

**Concave Step**

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**Convex Step**

**Concave Step**
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Note for Table 31B-7:
1. Six-inch minimum radius at “pinch points”.

### FIGURE 31B-8
**DEPTH MARKER LOCATIONS**

Notes:
1. Maximum depth.
2. Minimum depth.
3. Each end of pool.
4. Both sides at the shallowest and deepest parts of pool.
5. At the break in the bottom slope between the shallow and deep end.
6. Along the perimeter of the pool at distances not to exceed 25 feet.

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3406.4.3 Construction. The fire escape shall be designed to support a live load of 100 pounds per square foot (4788 Pa) and shall be constructed of steel or other approved noncombustible materials. Fire escapes constructed of wood not less than nominal 2 inches (51 mm) thick are permitted on buildings of Type V construction. Walkways and railings located over or supported by combustible roofs in buildings of Type III and IV construction are permitted to be of wood not less than nominal 2 inches (51 mm) thick.

3406.4.4 Dimensions. Stairs shall be at least 22 inches (559 mm) wide with risers not more than, and treads not less than, 8 inches (203 mm) in height and 10 inches (254 mm) in width and supporting surfaces not less than 40 inches (1016 mm) wide by 36 inches (914 mm) long, located not more than 8 inches (203 mm) below the door.

3406.4.5 Opening protective. Doors and windows along the fire escape shall be protected with 1/2-hour opening protectives.

SECTION 3407A GLASS REPLACEMENT

3407A.1 Conformance. The installation or replacement of glass shall be as required for new installations.

SECTION 3408A CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY

3408A.1 Conformance. No change shall be made in the use or occupancy of any building that would place the building in a different division of the same group of occupancies or in a different group of occupancies and the use or occupancy of the new building is made to comply with the requirements of this code for such division or group of occupancies. Subject to the approval of the building official, the use or occupancy of such buildings shall be permitted to be changed and the building is allowed to be occupied for purposes in other groups without conforming to all the requirements of this code for those groups, provided the new or proposed use is less hazardous, based on life and fire risk, than the existing use.

3408A.2 Certificate of occupancy. A certificate of occupancy shall be issued where it has been determined that the requirements for the new occupancy classification have been met.

3408A.3 Stairways. An existing stairway shall not be required to comply with the requirements of Section 1009 where the existing space and construction does not allow a reduction in pitch or slope.

3408A.4 Seismic. When a change of occupancy results in a structure being reclassified to a higher risk category, the structure shall conform to the seismic requirements for a new structure or that of the higher risk category.

Exception: Specific seismic detailing requirements of Section 1613A for a new structure shall not be required to be met where the seismic performance is shown to be equivalent to that of a new structure. A demonstration of equivalency shall consider the regularity, overstrength, redundancy and ductility of the structure.
3412A.1.1 ASCE 41 Section 1.4 – Rehabilitation Objectives. Target building performance level shall be as follows:

3412A.1.1.1 ASCE 41 Section 1.4 – Rehabilitation Objective (IO). The selection of a particular analysis procedure from ASCE 41 shall be subject to the approval of the enforcement agent.

3412A.1.1.2 Structural design criteria. Prior to implementation of ASCE 41 Nonlinear Dynamic Procedure, the ground motion, analysis and design methods, material assumptions and acceptance criteria proposed by the engineer shall be reviewed by the enforcement agent.

3412A.1.5 Structural observation, testing and inspections. Construction, testing, inspection and structural observation requirements shall be as required for new construction.

3412A.1.6 Seismic evaluation and retrofit of general acute care hospitals. Not withstanding any other requirements of this code, existing general acute care hospitals shall comply with the seismic evaluation requirements specified in Chapter 6, of the California Administrative Code, when applicable. Seismic evaluation or retrofit to satisfy the structural performance level (S-1) as defined in Section 1.6.1.2 and Collapse Prevention (CP) Structural performance level (S-5) per Section 1.5.1.5 of the Basic Earthquake 2 (BSE-2) Seismic Hazard Level as defined in Section 1.6.1.1. The construction, testing, inspection and structural observation requirements of this code shall be applicable.

3412A.1.7 Structural observation, testing and inspections. Construction, testing, inspection and structural observation requirements shall be as required for new construction.

3412A.1.8 Material testing. Use of material properties based on historical information as default values shall not be permitted.

3412A.2.1 SPC 5 and NPC 4/NPC 5. Structures and nonstructural components and systems satisfying the requirements of this code for new buildings for Risk Category IV shall be considered to satisfy the requirements of SPC 5 and NPC 5

3412A.2.2 SPC 5 using ASCE 41. Structures satisfying the requirements of immediate occupancy structural performance category (N-B) per Section 1.5.2.2 of ASCE 41 at BSE-1 shall be considered to comply with SPC 5 requirements of Table 2.5.3, Chapter 6, of the California Administrative Code.

3412A.2.2SPC 5 using ASCE 41. Structures satisfying the requirements of immediate occupancy structural performance category (N-B) per Section 1.5.2.2 of ASCE 41 at BSE-1 shall be considered to comply with SPC 5 requirements of Table 2.5.3, Chapter 6, of the California Administrative Code.

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3412A.1.5 Structural observation, testing and inspections. Construction, testing, inspection and structural observation requirements shall be as required for new construction.

3412A.1.6 Seismic evaluation and retrofit of general acute care hospitals. Not withstanding any other requirements of this code, existing general acute care hospitals shall comply with the seismic evaluation requirements specified in Chapter 6, of the California Administrative Code, when applicable. Seismic evaluation or retrofit to satisfy the structural performance level (S-1) as defined in Section 1.6.1.2 and Collapse Prevention (CP) Structural performance level (S-5) per Section 1.5.1.5 of the Basic Earthquake 2 (BSE-2) Seismic Hazard Level as defined in Section 1.6.1.1. The construction, testing, inspection and structural observation requirements of this code shall be applicable.

3412A.1.7 Structural observation, testing and inspections. Construction, testing, inspection and structural observation requirements shall be as required for new construction.

3412A.1.8 Material testing. Use of material properties based on historical information as default values shall not be permitted.

3412A.2.1 SPC 5 and NPC 4/NPC 5. Structures and nonstructural components and systems satisfying the requirements of this code for new buildings for Risk Category IV shall be considered to satisfy the requirements of SPC 5 and NPC 5

3412A.2.2 SPC 5 using ASCE 41. Structures satisfying the requirements of immediate occupancy structural performance category (N-B) per Section 1.5.2.2 of ASCE 41 at BSE-1 shall be considered to comply with SPC 5 requirements of Table 2.5.3, Chapter 6, of the California Administrative Code.

3412A.2.2SPC 5 using ASCE 41. Structures satisfying the requirements of immediate occupancy structural performance category (N-B) per Section 1.5.2.2 of ASCE 41 at BSE-1 shall be considered to comply with SPC 5 requirements of Table 2.5.3, Chapter 6, of the California Administrative Code.

3412A.1.2 Material tested. Use of material properties based on historical information as default values shall not be permitted.
3417A.1.2.1 New facilities or additions to existing facilities. Means of egress for new or additions to skilled nursing facilities, intermediate care facilities, or correctional treatment centers shall only pass through conforming buildings.

Exception: As an alternate, skilled nursing facilities, intermediate care facilities, and correctional treatment centers shall pass through conforming buildings.

3417A.1.2 Jurisdiction. Means of egress for hospitals, skilled nursing facilities and intermediate-care facilities shall only pass through buildings that are under the jurisdiction of the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD).

### SECTION 3418A [OSHPD 1] REMOVAL OF HOSPITAL BUILDINGS FROM GENERAL ACUTE CARE SERVICES

3418A.1 General. The requirements of this section shall apply when general acute care services are completely removed from SPC buildings or when buildings are removed from OSHPD jurisdiction. All buildings that remain under the OSHPD jurisdiction, after one or more SPC buildings are removed, shall satisfy the California Building Standards Code.

Approval of construction documents and a building permit are required for removal of SPC buildings from general acute care service, SPC-1 buildings, or through buildings not under OSHPD jurisdiction.

3418A.2 Definitions. The following words and terms are applicable to this section only:

**BUILDING**. The area included within surrounding exterior walls or any combination of exterior walls and fire walls (as described in Sections 202 and 706) exclusive of vent shafts and courts. Areas of the building not provided with surrounding walls shall be included in the building area if such areas are included within the horizontal projection of the roof or floor above.

A building may consist of one or more adjacent SPC buildings.

**GENERAL ACUTE CARE SERVICE**. Means basic and supplementary services, as defined in Section 1224.3, provided in a general acute care hospital building, as defined in Section 1224.3 and the California Administrative Code, Chapter 6, Section 1.2

**SPC SEISMIC SEPARATION**. Means a building separation in accordance with the California Administrative Code, Chapter 6, Section 3.4.

**STRUCTURAL SEPARATION**. Means a building separation in accordance with this code.

3418A.3 Establishing eligibility for removal from general acute care service. In order to establish that one or more SPC buildings are eligible for removal from general acute care service, the hospital owner shall submit construction documents showing that after the SPC Buildings are removed from general acute care service:

1. All basic acute care services or supplemental services on the hospital’s license are provided in SPC buildings satisfying the requirements for SPC-2, SPC-3, SPC-4 or SPC-5.

2. Approval of construction documents and a building permit are required for removal of SPC buildings from OSHPD jurisdiction.

3. The hospital complies with all egress requirements, including occupant load, number of required exits and travel distance to exits, and provides evidence that no egress from any acute care hospital building passes through the SPC buildings removed from general acute care service, SPC-1 buildings, or through buildings not under OSHPD jurisdiction.

### SECTION 3417A [OSHPD 2] REMOVAL OF HOSPITAL BUILDINGS FROM GENERAL ACUTE CARE SERVICES

3417A.1 General. The requirements of this section shall apply when one or more SPC buildings are removed from general acute care service, SPC-2, SPC-3, SPC-4 or SPC-5.

Exception: If the hospital includes SPC-1 buildings that are not being removed from general acute care service, and these SPC-1 buildings have an approved extension to the SPC-2 deadline, basic acute care services or supplemental services on the building’s license are permitted to remain in these SPC buildings for the duration of their extension until those SPC-1 buildings are removed from general acute care service, whichever comes first.

3417A.1.2 Jurisdiction. Means of egress for hospitals, skilled nursing facilities and intermediate-care facilities shall only pass through buildings that are under the jurisdiction of the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD).

### SECTION 3418A [OSHPD 3] REMOVAL OF HOSPITAL BUILDINGS FROM GENERAL ACUTE CARE SERVICES

3418A.1 General. The requirements of this section shall apply when general acute care services are completely removed from SPC buildings or when buildings are removed from OSHPD jurisdiction. All buildings that remain under the OSHPD jurisdiction, after one or more SPC buildings are removed, shall satisfy the requirements of the California Building Standards Code.

Approval of construction documents and a building permit are required for removal of SPC buildings from general acute care service, SPC-1 buildings, or through buildings not under OSHPD jurisdiction.

3418A.2 Definitions. The following words and terms are applicable to this section only:

**BUILDING**. The area included within surrounding exterior walls or any combination of exterior walls and fire walls (as described in Sections 202 and 706) exclusive of vent shafts and courts. Areas of the building not provided with surrounding walls shall be included in the building area if such areas are included within the horizontal projection of the roof or floor above. A building may consist of one or more adjacent SPC buildings.

**GENERAL ACUTE CARE SERVICE**. Means basic and supplementary services, as defined in Section 1224.3, provided in a general acute care hospital building, as defined in Section 1224.3 and the California Administrative Code, Chapter 6, Section 1.2

**SPC SEISMIC SEPARATION**. Means a building separation in accordance with the California Administrative Code, Chapter 6, Section 3.4.

**STRUCTURAL SEPARATION**. Means a building separation in accordance with this code.

3418A.3 Establishing eligibility for removal from general acute care service. In order to establish that one or more SPC buildings are eligible for removal from general acute care service, the hospital owner shall submit construction documents showing that after the SPC Buildings are removed from general acute care service:

1. All basic acute care services or supplemental services on the hospital’s license are provided in SPC buildings satisfying the requirements for SPC-2, SPC-3, SPC-4 or SPC-5.

2. Approval of construction documents and a building permit are required for removal of SPC buildings from general acute care service, SPC-1 buildings, or through buildings not under OSHPD jurisdiction.

3. The hospital complies with all egress requirements, including occupant load, number of required exits and travel distance to exits, and provides evidence that no egress from any acute care hospital building passes through the SPC buildings removed from general acute care service, SPC-1 buildings, or through buildings not under OSHPD jurisdiction.

### SECTION 3417A [OSHPD 4] REMOVAL OF HOSPITAL BUILDINGS FROM GENERAL ACUTE CARE SERVICES

3417A.1 General. The requirements of this section shall apply when one or more SPC buildings are removed from general acute care service, SPC-2, SPC-3, SPC-4 or SPC-5.

Exception: If the hospital includes SPC-1 buildings that are not being removed from general acute care service, and these SPC-1 buildings have an approved extension to the SPC-2 deadline, basic acute care services or supplemental services on the building’s license are permitted to remain in these SPC buildings for the duration of their extension until those SPC-1 buildings are removed from general acute care service, whichever comes first.

3417A.1.2 Jurisdiction. Means of egress for hospitals, skilled nursing facilities and intermediate-care facilities shall only pass through buildings that are under the jurisdiction of the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD).
11. If utilities originating in an acute care hospital building are not under the jurisdiction of OSHPD.

10. No utilities servicing acute care hospital buildings originate in or pass through, or are utilized by, an SPC building removed from general acute care service, except as permitted by Section 3418A.1.1.3.5, or a building not under OSHPD jurisdiction.

11. If utilities originating in an acute care hospital building feed an SPC building removed from general acute care service, fail safe shut-off valves and/or disconnects shall be provided that permit isolation of the SPC building removed from general acute care service from the hospital utilities. Flexible connections shall be provided for all utilities crossing structural or SPC seismic separation joints. The fire sprinkler system shall not originate in the SPC building removed from general acute care service.

12. Patient access as required by Section 1224.4.7.5 does not pass through an SPC building removed from general acute care service or through buildings that are not under the jurisdiction of OSHPD.

13. The primary accessible entrance to the hospital is not through an SPC building removed from general acute care service or through buildings that are not under the jurisdiction of OSHPD.

14. If the SPC building removed from general acute care service shares the fire sprinkler system with the acute care hospital, an isolation valve with a tamper switch shall be provided in the portion of the system serving the SPC building removed from acute care service. Flexible connections shall be provided in piping that crosses structural or SPC seismic separation joints.

15. If the intent is to place the building under local jurisdiction, the building shall satisfy Section 3418A.5.1.

16. Patient access as required by Section 1224.4.7.5 does not pass through an SPC building removed from general acute care service or through buildings that are not under the jurisdiction of OSHPD.

17. The primary accessible entrance to the hospital is not through an SPC building removed from general acute care service or through buildings that are not under the jurisdiction of OSHPD.

18. No utilities servicing acute care hospital buildings originate in or pass through, over or under, an SPC building removed from general acute care service, except as permitted by Section 3418A.1.1.3.5, or a building not under OSHPD jurisdiction.

19. If utilities originating in an acute care hospital building feed an SPC building removed from general acute care service, fail safe shut-off valves and/or disconnects shall be provided that permit isolation of the SPC building removed from general acute care service from the hospital utilities. Flexible connections shall be provided for all utilities crossing structural or SPC seismic separation joints.

20. Patient access as required by Section 1224.4.7.5 does not pass through an SPC building removed from general acute care service or through buildings that are not under the jurisdiction of OSHPD.

21. No utilities servicing acute care hospital buildings originate in or pass through, over or under, an SPC building removed from general acute care service, except as permitted by Section 3418A.1.1.3.5, or a building not under OSHPD jurisdiction.

22. If utilities originating in an acute care hospital building feed an SPC building removed from general acute care service, fail safe shut-off valves and/or disconnects shall be provided that permit isolation of the SPC building removed from general acute care service from the hospital utilities. Flexible connections shall be provided for all utilities crossing structural or SPC seismic separation joints.

23. Patient access as required by Section 1224.4.7.5 does not pass through an SPC building removed from general acute care service or through buildings that are not under the jurisdiction of OSHPD.

24. No utilities servicing acute care hospital buildings originate in or pass through, over or under, an SPC building removed from general acute care service, except as permitted by Section 3418A.1.1.3.5, or a building not under OSHPD jurisdiction.

25. If utilities originating in an acute care hospital building feed an SPC building removed from general acute care service, fail safe shut-off valves and/or disconnects shall be provided that permit isolation of the SPC building removed from general acute care service from the hospital utilities. Flexible connections shall be provided for all utilities crossing structural or SPC seismic separation joints.

26. Patient access as required by Section 1224.4.7.5 does not pass through an SPC building removed from general acute care service or through buildings that are not under the jurisdiction of OSHPD.

27. No utilities servicing acute care hospital buildings originate in or pass through, over or under, an SPC building removed from general acute care service, except as permitted by Section 3418A.1.1.3.5, or a building not under OSHPD jurisdiction.

28. If utilities originating in an acute care hospital building feed an SPC building removed from general acute care service, fail safe shut-off valves and/or disconnects shall be provided that permit isolation of the SPC building removed from general acute care service from the hospital utilities. Flexible connections shall be provided for all utilities crossing structural or SPC seismic separation joints.

29. Patient access as required by Section 1224.4.7.5 does not pass through an SPC building removed from general acute care service or through buildings that are not under the jurisdiction of OSHPD.

30. No utilities servicing acute care hospital buildings originate in or pass through, over or under, an SPC building removed from general acute care service, except as permitted by Section 3418A.1.1.3.5, or a building not under OSHPD jurisdiction.

31. If utilities originating in an acute care hospital building feed an SPC building removed from general acute care service, fail safe shut-off valves and/or disconnects shall be provided that permit isolation of the SPC building removed from general acute care service from the hospital utilities. Flexible connections shall be provided for all utilities crossing structural or SPC seismic separation joints.

32. Patient access as required by Section 1224.4.7.5 does not pass through an SPC building removed from general acute care service or through buildings that are not under the jurisdiction of OSHPD.

33. No utilities servicing acute care hospital buildings originate in or pass through, over or under, an SPC building removed from general acute care service, except as permitted by Section 3418A.1.1.3.5, or a building not under OSHPD jurisdiction.

34. If utilities originating in an acute care hospital building feed an SPC building removed from general acute care service, fail safe shut-off valves and/or disconnects shall be provided that permit isolation of the SPC building removed from general acute care service from the hospital utilities. Flexible connections shall be provided for all utilities crossing structural or SPC seismic separation joints.

35. Patient access as required by Section 1224.4.7.5 does not pass through an SPC building removed from general acute care service or through buildings that are not under the jurisdiction of OSHPD.

36. No utilities servicing acute care hospital buildings originate in or pass through, over or under, an SPC building removed from general acute care service, except as permitted by Section 3418A.1.1.3.5, or a building not under OSHPD jurisdiction.

37. If utilities originating in an acute care hospital building feed an SPC building removed from general acute care service, fail safe shut-off valves and/or disconnects shall be provided that permit isolation of the SPC building removed from general acute care service from the hospital utilities. Flexible connections shall be provided for all utilities crossing structural or SPC seismic separation joints.

38. Patient access as required by Section 1224.4.7.5 does not pass through an SPC building removed from general acute care service or through buildings that are not under the jurisdiction of OSHPD.

39. No utilities servicing acute care hospital buildings originate in or pass through, over or under, an SPC building removed from general acute care service, except as permitted by Section 3418A.1.1.3.5, or a building not under OSHPD jurisdiction.

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41. Patient access as required by Section 1224.4.7.5 does not pass through an SPC building removed from general acute care service or through buildings that are not under the jurisdiction of OSHPD.

42. No utilities servicing acute care hospital buildings originate in or pass through, over or under, an SPC building removed from general acute care service, except as permitted by Section 3418A.1.1.3.5, or a building not under OSHPD jurisdiction.

43. If utilities originating in an acute care hospital building feed an SPC building removed from general acute care service, fail safe shut-off valves and/or disconnects shall be provided that permit isolation of the SPC building removed from general acute care service from the hospital utilities. Flexible connections shall be provided for all utilities crossing structural or SPC seismic separation joints.

44. Patient access as required by Section 1224.4.7.5 does not pass through an SPC building removed from general acute care service or through buildings that are not under the jurisdiction of OSHPD.
from general acute care service, including administrative services, central station, storage, and varying and autopsy, employee dressing rooms and lockers, janitorial and housekeeping service, and laundry, shall be in excess of the minimum requirements for licensure and operation. Prior approval by the California Department of Public Health shall be obtained by hospital to maintain these services in the SPC building removed from general acute care service.

3418A.4.3 Change of licensed services under existing license. A change of service or function for all, or a portion, of the SPC building removed from general acute care service shall be permitted from an SPC building which is intended to be used for skilled nursing or acute psychiatric and the new services will be licensed under the existing license of the general acute care hospital these new services shall comply with Section 3418A.1.1.1.5 for a nonconforming hospital building.

3418A.4.3.2 Outpatient clinical services. When general acute care services are removed from an SPC building that is intended to be used for outpatient clinical services under the existing acute care hospital license, the building shall be required to comply with all requirements of the new authority having jurisdiction. If a building requires modification to become eligible for removal from OSHPD jurisdiction, the construction project shall be closed with compliance by OSHPD prior to the change in jurisdiction. All occupancy separations, set-back, and allowable area requirements shall be enforced.

3418A.4.3.1 Skilled nursing or acute psychiatric services. When general acute care services are removed from an SPC building, which is intended to be used for skilled nursing or acute psychiatric and the new services will be licensed under the existing license of the general acute care hospital these new services shall comply with Section 3418A.1.1.1.5 for a nonconforming hospital building.

3418A.4.3.5 Buildings not eligible for change in jurisdiction. The following freestanding buildings shall remain under OSHPD jurisdiction.

a. Any building in which basic and/or supplementary services are provided for a general acute care hospital, and new services provided in the SPC building are issued an initial license, as determined by the California Department of Public Health, as a skilled nursing facility or acute psychiatric hospital, the SPC building shall comply with the new building code requirements or equivalent provisions of the California Building Standards Code at the time of application.

3418A.4.3.6 Change of building occupancy or division. When an SPC building is removed from general acute care service with or without change of license, the new occupancy group and division of the building, and/or new service or function, shall be established. A new certificate of occupancy shall be required for the building removed from general acute care service.

3418A.5 Change in jurisdiction for buildings removed from general acute care service. Except as provided by Section 3418A.5.3, at the hospital’s discretion, a building removed from general acute care service shall be permitted to be placed under the jurisdiction of the local enforcement agency. To be eligible for a change in jurisdiction, the building removed from general acute care service shall satisfy the requirements of Section 3418A.5.1.

3418A.5.1 Eligibility for change in jurisdiction. For a building removed from general acute care service to be eligible for a change in jurisdiction to the local enforcing agency, all the following criteria shall be satisfied:

a. The building removed from general acute care service shall be free from structural, storage, and varying and autopsy, employee dressing rooms and lockers, janitorial and housekeeping service, and laundry, shall be in excess of the minimum requirements for licensure and operation. Prior approval by the California Department of Public Health shall be obtained by hospital to maintain these services in the SPC building removed from general acute care service.

b. Any hospital support services located in the building removed from general acute care service, including administrative services, central station, storage, and varying and autopsy, employee dressing rooms and lockers, janitorial and housekeeping service, and laundry, shall be in excess of the minimum requirements for licensure and operation. Prior approval by the California Department of Public Health shall be obtained by hospital to maintain these services in the SPC building removed from general acute care service.

c. Any building provided central plant or utility services to a building under OSHPD jurisdiction.

d. Any building through which utilities pass through, over or under, to serve a building under OSHPD jurisdiction.

3418A.5.2 Modification of buildings removed from OSHPD jurisdiction. The owner of the building shall be responsible for bringing the building into compliance with all requirements of the new authority having jurisdiction. If a building requires modification to become eligible for removal from OSHPD jurisdiction, the construction project shall be closed with compliance by OSHPD prior to the change in jurisdiction. All occupancy separations, set-back, and allowable area requirements shall be enforced.

3418A.5.3 Buildings not eligible for change in jurisdiction. The following freestanding buildings shall remain under OSHPD jurisdiction.

a. Any building in which basic and/or supplementary services are provided for a general acute care hospital, and new services provided in the SPC building are issued an initial license, as determined by the California Department of Public Health, as a skilled nursing facility or acute psychiatric hospital, the SPC building shall comply with the new building code requirements or equivalent provisions of the California Building Standards Code at the time of application.

3418A.5.4 Change of building occupancy or division. When an SPC building is removed from general acute care service with or without change of license, the new occupancy group and division of the building, and/or new service or function, shall be established. A new certificate of occupancy shall be required for the building removed from general acute care service.

3418A.5.5 Change in jurisdiction for buildings removed from general acute care service. Except as provided by Section 3418A.5.3, at the hospital’s discretion, a building removed from general acute care service shall be permitted to be placed under the jurisdiction of the local enforcement agency. To be eligible for a change in jurisdiction, the building removed from general acute care service shall satisfy the requirements of Section 3418A.5.1.

3418A.5.1 Eligibility for change in jurisdiction. For a building removed from general acute care service to be eligible for a change in jurisdiction to the local enforcing agency, all the following criteria shall be satisfied:

a. Any building in which basic and/or supplementary services are provided for a general acute care hospital, and new services provided in the SPC building are issued an initial license, as determined by the California Department of Public Health, as a skilled nursing facility or acute psychiatric hospital, the SPC building shall comply with the new building code requirements or equivalent provisions of the California Building Standards Code at the time of application.

b. Any building support services located in the building removed from general acute care service, including administrative services, central station, storage, and varying and autopsy, employee dressing rooms and lockers, janitorial and housekeeping service, and laundry, shall be in excess of the minimum requirements for licensure and operation. Prior approval by the California Department of Public Health shall be obtained by hospital to maintain these services in the SPC building removed from general acute care service.

c. Any building provided central plant or utility services to a building under OSHPD jurisdiction.

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3418A.5.2 Modification of buildings removed from OSHPD jurisdiction. The owner of the building shall be responsible for bringing the building into compliance with all requirements of the new authority having jurisdiction. If a building requires modification to become eligible for removal from OSHPD jurisdiction, the construction project shall be closed with compliance by OSHPD prior to the change in jurisdiction. All occupancy separations, set-back, and allowable area requirements shall be enforced.

3418A.5.3 Buildings not eligible for change in jurisdiction. The following freestanding buildings shall remain under OSHPD jurisdiction.

a. Any building in which basic and/or supplementary services are provided for a general acute care hospital, and new services provided in the SPC building are issued an initial license, as determined by the California Department of Public Health, as a skilled nursing facility or acute psychiatric hospital, the SPC building shall comply with the new building code requirements or equivalent provisions of the California Building Standards Code at the time of application.

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3418A.5.4 Change of building occupancy or division. When an SPC building is removed from general acute care service with or without change of license, the new occupancy group and division of the building, and/or new service or function, shall be established. A new certificate of occupancy shall be required for the building removed from general acute care service.

3418A.5.5 Change in jurisdiction for buildings removed from general acute care service. Except as provided by Section 3418A.5.3, at the hospital’s discretion, a building removed from general acute care service shall be permitted to be placed under the jurisdiction of the local enforcement agency. To be eligible for a change in jurisdiction, the building removed from general acute care service shall satisfy the requirements of Section 3418A.5.1.

3418A.5.1 Eligibility for change in jurisdiction. For a building removed from general acute care service to be eligible for a change in jurisdiction to the local enforcing agency, all the following criteria shall be satisfied:
3418A.6 Vacant space. With the removal of general acute care services, the vacated space must be reclassified with an intended occupancy as required under Section 302. If the hospital determines that the building or space in the SPC building removed from general acute care service will be vacant, the hospital shall demonstrate that unsafe conditions as described in Section 116.1 are not created.

3418A.7 Demolition. Demolition of SPC buildings to be removed from general acute care services shall be permitted when buildings remaining under OSHPD’s jurisdiction, after demolition, satisfy the requirements of the California Building Standards Code and demolition activities do not impair the operation and/or safety of any buildings that remain under OSHPD’s jurisdiction. Demolition shall be in accordance with Section 3303.

SECTION 3419A [OSHPD 1] HOSPITAL BUILDINGS REMOVED FROM GENERAL ACUTE CARE SERVICES

3419A.1 General. The requirements of this section shall apply to buildings removed from general acute care services that remain under OSHPD jurisdiction.

3419A.2 Non-GAC buildings. Non-GAC buildings shall conform to the requirements of Section 1.10.1.

3419A.3 Freestanding buildings. Application and enforcement of freestanding buildings removed from general acute care services but remaining under OSHPD jurisdiction shall be in accordance with Section 1.10. Freestanding hospital-owned clinics shall be permitted to be under the jurisdiction of OSHPD in accordance with California Administrative Code Sections 7-2104, 7-2105, and 7-2106.
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8.15.7.6 Sprinklers may be omitted for following structures:

Delete existing A.7.5.4.4 and Figure A.7.5.4.4

Revise Section 8.15.3.1.2.1 as follows:

8.16.1.5.1.2 Exterior columns under 10 ft² (0.93 m²) in total area, formed by studs or wood joist, with no source of ignition within the column, supporting exterior canopies that are fully protected with a sprinkler system, shall not require sprinkler protection.

Revise Section 8.15.3.1.2 as follows:

8.15.3.1.2.1 Sectional control valves shall be indicating valves in accordance with Section 6.7.1.3.

Delete existing A.7.5.4.4 and Figure A.7.5.4.4

Revise Section 8.15.3.1.2 as follows:

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Revise Section 8.15.3.1.2 as follows:

8.15.3.1.2.1 Sectional control valves shall be indicating valves in accordance with Section 6.7.1.3.
8.3.6.5.1.3 Sectional control valves shall be located so that no more than five fire appurtenances are affected by shut-down of any single portion of the fire service mains. Each fire hydrant, fire sprinkler system riser, and standpipe riser shall be considered a separate fire appurtenance. To each sprinkler system shall not be considered as a separate appurtenance.

Revise Section 11.2.3.2.1 as follows:

A valve shall be provided on each bank where a main crosses a body of water or outside the building foundation(s) where the main or section of main runs under a building.

Add new Section 9.3.1.3.9.1.1 as follows:

9.3.1.3.9.1.1 Powder-driven studs used for attaching hangers to the building structure are prohibited in Seismic design Categories C, D, E and F.

Revise Section 9.3.5.8.3 as follows:

8.3.5.8.3 Where threaded pipe is used for sway bracing, it shall have a wall thickness of not less than Schedule 40.

Replace Section 9.3.5.9.4 as follows:

Lag screws or power-driven fasteners shall not be used to attach braces to the building structure.

Add language to the beginning of Section 9.3.5.9.6 as follows:

9.3.5.9.6 Fastening methods other than those identified in 9.3.5.9 shall not apply to other fastening methods, which shall be acceptable for use if certified by a registered professional engineer to support the loads determined in accordance with the criteria in 9.3.5.6. Calculations shall be submitted to the authority having jurisdiction.

Revise Section 9.3.5.9.7.2* as follows:

9.3.5.9.7.2* Concrete anchors other than those shown in Figure 9.3.5.9.1 and identified in 9.3.5.8.10 shall be acceptable for use where designed in accordance with the requirements of the building code and certified by a registered professional engineer.

Revise Section 9.3.6.1* as follows:

9.3.6.1* Pipe joints shall not be located under foundation footings. The pipe under the building or building foundation shall not contain mechanical joints.

Exceptions:
1. Where allowed in accordance with 10.6.2.
2. Alternate design may be utilized where designed by a registered professional engineer and approved by the enforcing agency.

Revise Section 11.2.3.3.1-6(4) as follows:

11.2.3.3.1-6(4) Extensive columns under 10.0 ft² (0.93 m²) in total area, formed by studs or wood joist, with no sources of ignition within the column, supporting exterior canopies that are fully protected with a sprinkler system.

Revise Section 11.2.3.2.2.1.3 as follows:

11.2.3.2.2.1.3 Where listed quick-response sprinklers, excluding extended coverage quick-response sprinklers, are used throughout a system or portion of a system having the same hydraulic design basis, the system area of operation shall be permitted to be reduced without revising the density as indicated in Figure 11.2.3.2.2.1.3 when all of the following conditions are satisfied:

1. Wot pipe system.
2. Light hazard occupancy.

11.2.3.2.2.1.3 Sectional control valves shall be located so that no more than five fire appurtenances are affected by shut-down of any single portion of the fire service mains. Each fire hydrant, fire sprinkler system riser, and standpipe riser shall be considered a separate fire appurtenance. To each sprinkler system shall not be considered as a separate appurtenance.

Revise Section 11.2.3.1.4 as follows:

11.2.3.1.4 The number of fire appurtenances between sectional control valves is allowed to be modified by the authority having jurisdiction.
The installing contractor shall provide the property owner or the property owner’s authorized representative with the following:

24.4 Instructions.

Revise Section 24.4(2) and add Section 24.4(3) as follows:

(56ºC) above the operating temperature of the sprinklers, whichever is higher.

The installing contractor shall do the following:

24.1 Approval of Sprinkler Systems and Private Fire Service Mains

Add Section 24.1(5)

24.5.1

Add sentence at the end of Section 24.5.1 as follows:

schedule system and the hazard classification(s) included in the design.”

Revise Section 24.5.2 and add Section 24.5.3(3) and Add sections 24.5.2(7) to (14) as follows:

24.5.2 The sign shall include the following information:

(3) Required flow and pressure of the system at the base of the riser.
(7) Required flow and pressure of the system at the water supply source.
(8) Required flow and pressure of the system at the discharge side of the fire pump where a fire pump is installed.

FIGURE 11.2.3.2.3.1 Design Area Reduction for Quick-Response Sprinklers.

Revision Section 11.2.3.2.3.2 as follows:

For ceiling height > 20 ft, y = 0

For SI units, 1 ft = 0.31 m

FIGURE 11.2.3.2.3.1 Design Area Reduction for Quick-Response Sprinklers.

Revision Section 11.2.3.2.3.2 as follows:

Add Section 24.1(5)

Revise Section 24.4(2) and add Section 24.4(3) as follows:

24.4 Instructions.

The installing contractor shall provide the property owner or the property owner’s authorized representative with the following:

(1) All literature and instructions provided by the manufacturer describing proper operation and maintenance of any equip.- and device installed
(2) NFPA 25, Standard for the Inspection, testing, and maintenance of Water-Based Fire Protection Systems, 2013 California Edition
(3) Title 19, California Code of Regulations, Chapter 5, “Fire Extinguishing Systems.”

Add sentence at the end of Section 24.5.1 as follows:

24.5.1 “Pipe schedule systems shall be provided with a sign indicating that the system was designed and installed as a pipe schedule system and the hazard classification(s) included in the design.”

Revise Section 24.5.2(3) and Add sections 24.5.2(7) to (14) as follows:

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(8) Required flow and pressure of the system at the discharge side of the fire pump where a fire pump is installed.
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(9) Type or types and number of sprinklers or nozzles installed including the orifice size, temperature rating, orientation, K-Factor, sprinkler identification number (SIN) for sprinkler heads when applicable, and response type.

(10) The required pressure settings for pressure reducing valves.

(12) For deluge sprinkler systems, the required flow and pressure at the hydraulically most demanding sprinkler or nozzle.

(13) The protection area per sprinkler based on the hydraulic calculations.

(14) The edition of NFPA 13 to which the system was designed and installed.

Revise Section 24.6.1 as follows:


13D—13 Standard for the Installation of Sprinkler Systems in One- and Two-Family Dwellings and Manufactured Homes as amended.

Text continues on page 638.
**NFPA—continued**

*NFPA 13D, Amended Sections as follows:*

6.2* Water Supply Sources. When the requirements of Section 6.2.2 are met, the following water supply sources shall be considered to be acceptable by this standard:

1. A connection to a reliable water works system with or without an automatically operated pump
2. An elevated tank
3. A pressure tank designed to American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) standards for a pressure vessel with a reliable pressure source
4. A stored water source with an automatically operated pump

Where a fire sprinkler system is supplied by a stored water source with an automatically operated means of pressurizing the system other than an electric pump, the water supply may serve the sprinkler system only.

6.2.2 Where a well, pump, tank or combination thereof is the source of supply for a fire sprinkler system, the water supply shall serve both domestic and fire sprinkler systems, and the following shall be met:

1. A test connection shall be provided down stream of the pump that creates a flow of water equal to the smallest sprinkler on the system. The connection shall return water to the tank.
2. Any disconnecting means for the pump shall be approved.
3. A method for refilling the tank shall be piped to the tank.
4. A method of seeing the water level in the tank shall be provided without having to open the tank.
5. The pump shall not be permitted to sit directly on the floor.
6.2.2.1 Where a fire sprinkler system is supplied by a stored water source with an automatically operated means of pressurizing the system other than an electric pump, the water supply may serve the sprinkler system only.

6.2.4 Where a water supply serves both domestic and fire sprinkler systems, 5 gpm (19 L/min) shall be added to the sprinkler water supply requirements at the point where the systems are connected, to determine the size of common piping and the size of the total water supply requirements where no provision is made to prevent flow into the domestic water system upon operation of a sprinkler.

Add Section 6.6.8 as follows:

6.6.8 Sprinklers shall be permitted to be omitted for following structures:

1. Solar photovoltaic panel structures with no use underneath. Signs may be provided, as determined by the enforcing agency prohibiting any use underneath including storage.
2. Solar photovoltaic (PV) panels supported by framing that have sufficient uniformly distributed and unobstructed openings throughout the top of the array (horizontal plane) to allow heat and gases to escape, as determined by the enforcing agency.

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**NFPA—continued**

*NFPA 13D, Amended Sections as follows:*

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2. An elevated tank
3. A pressure tank designed to American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) standards for a pressure vessel with a reliable pressure source
4. A stored water source with an automatically operated pump

Where a well, pump, tank or combination thereof is the source of supply for a fire sprinkler system, the water supply shall serve both domestic and fire sprinkler systems, and the following shall be met:

1. A test connection shall be provided downstream of the pump that creates a flow of water equal to the smallest sprinkler on the system. The connection shall return water to the tank.
2. Any disconnecting means for the pump shall be approved.
3. A method for refilling the tank shall be piped to the tank.
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**NFPA—continued**

*NFPA 13D, Amended Sections as follows:

**8.3.4** Sprinklers shall not be required in detached garages, open attached porches, carports with no habitable space above, and similar structures.

Installation of Sprinkler Systems in Residential Occupancies Up to and Including Four Stories in Height as amended

903.3.1.2, 903.3.5.1.1, 903.3.5.1.2, 903.4

*NFPA 13R, Amended Sections as follows:

Revise Section 2.2 and add publications as follows:

2.2 NFPA Publications.


Add Section 6.3.5 as follows:

6.3.5 Instructions.

The installing contractor shall provide the property owner or the property owner’s authorized representative with the following:

1. All literature and instructions provided by the manufacturer describing proper operation and maintenance of any equipment and devices installed.


3. Once the system is accepted by the authority having jurisdiction a label as prescribed by Title 19, California Code of Regulations, Chapter 5, shall be affixed to each system riser.

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Installation of Standpipe and Hose System, as amended* .......................... 905.2, 905.3.4, 905.4.2, 905.6.2, 905.8

NFPA 14, Amended Sections as follows: Replace Section 6.3.7.1
6.3.7.1 System water supply valves, isolation control valves, and other valves in fire mains shall be supervised in an approved manner in the open position by one of the following methods:
(1) Where a building has a fire alarm system or a sprinkler monitoring system installed, the valve shall be supervised by:
(a) a central station, proprietary, or remote supervising station;
(b) a local signaling service that initiates an audible signal at a constantly attended location.

(2) Where a building does not have a fire alarm system or a sprinkler monitoring system installed, the valve shall be supervised by:
(a) locking the valves in the open position; or
(b) sealing of valves and an approved weekly recorded inspection where valves are located within fenced enclosures under the control of the owner.

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Installation of Private Fire Service Mains and Their Appurtenances, as amended*
24—13

NFPA 24, Amended Sections as follows: Amend Section 4.2.1
Section 4.2.1. Installation work shall be done by fully experienced and responsible contractors. Contractors shall be appropriately licensed in the State of California to install private fire service mains and their appurtenances.

Revise Section 4.2.2 as follows:
4.2.2 Installation or modification of private fire service mains shall not begin until plans are approved and appropriate permits secured from the authority having jurisdiction.

Add Section 4.2.2.1 as follows:
4.2.2.1 As approved by the authority having jurisdiction, emergency repair of existing system may start immediately, with plans being submitted to the authority having jurisdiction within 96 hours from the start of the repair work.

Revise Section 5.9.1.2 as follows:
Section 5.9.1.2 Fire department connections shall be properly supported and protected from mechanical damage.

Revise Section 5.9.5.1 as follows:
5.9.5.1 Fire department connections shall be on the street side of buildings and as approved by the authority having jurisdiction.

Revise Section 6.5.1 as follows:
6.5.1 Private fire service main systems shall have sectional control valves at appropriate points in order to permit sectionizing the system in the event of a break or for the making of repairs or extensions.

Add Sections 6.5.2.1 — 6.5.2.3
6.5.2.1 Sectional control valves are not required when the fire service main system serves less than six fire appurtenances.

6.5.2.2 Sectional control valves shall be indicating valves in accordance with Section 6.7.1.1.

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For prior code history, see the History Note Appendix to the California Building Code (CBC), 2010 Triennial Edition effective January 1, 2011.

1. BSC 03/12, SFM 02/12, OSHPD 03/12 & 04/12, DSA-SS 02/12, HCD 06/12, HCD 08/12, DSA-AC 01/12, BSCC 01/12, CDPH 01/12, SLC 01/12 — Adoption of the 2012 edition of the International Building Code published by the International Code Council, for incorporation into the 2013 California Building Code, CCR Title 24, Part 2 with amendments for State regulated occupancies effective on January 1, 2014.

2. Errata to correct editorial errors within the preface as well as throughout various chapters in this code. Effective January 1, 2014.

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