

**EXPRESS TERMS
FOR
PROPOSED BUILDING STANDARDS
OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
REGARDING THE AMENDMENT OF THE 2013 CALIFORNIA BUILDING CODE
CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 24, PART 2

(HCD /13)**

The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) proposes to make necessary changes to the 2013 edition of the California Building Code (CBC) as presented on the following pages.

LEGEND FOR EXPRESS TERMS:

1. **Existing California amendments or language being modified:** All such language shown in italics Arial 9 point; modified language is underlined or shown in ~~strikeout~~.
 2. **Repealed text:** All such language shown in ~~strikeout~~.
 3. **Amended, adopted or repealed language after public hearing:** All such language shown in double underline or ~~double strikeout~~.
 4. **Notation:** Authority and Reference citations are provided at the end of each section.
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1. HCD proposes to amend Section 202 “Definitions” in Chapter 2, as follows:

**SECTION 202
DEFINITIONS**

COVERED MULTIFAMILY DWELLINGS. [HCD 1-AC] ~~Dwelling units in buildings consisting of 3 or more dwelling units or 4 or more condominium units. Covered multifamily dwellings include dwelling units listed in Section 1102A.1. Dwelling units within a single structure separated by firewalls do not constitute separate buildings.~~

Note: ~~For buildings or complexes containing public housing, see Chapter 11B for provisions of the Division of the State Architect – Access Compliance (DSA-AC).~~

“Covered multifamily dwellings” means either of the following, as applicable:

1. Buildings that consist of at least four condominium dwelling units or at least three rental apartment dwelling units if the buildings have at least one elevator. For purposes of this definition, dwelling units within a single structure separated by firewalls do not constitute separate buildings.
2. The ground floor dwelling units in buildings that consist of at least four condominium dwelling units or at least three rental apartment dwelling units if the building does not have an elevator. For purposes of this definition, dwelling units within a single structure separated by firewalls do not constitute separate buildings.

NOTE:

Authority Cited: Health and Safety Code Sections 17040, 17050, 17920.9, 17921, 17921.3, 17921.6, 17921.10, 17922, 17922.6, 17922.12, 17927, 17928, 17959.6, 18300, 18552, 18554, 18620, 18630, 18640, 18670, 18690, 18691, 18865, 18871.3, 18871.4, 18873, 18873.1, 18873.2, 18873.3, 18873.4, 18873.5, 18938.3, 18944.11 and 19990; and Government Code Sections 12955.1.

Reference: Health and Safety Code Sections 17000 through 17062.5, 17910 through 17995.5, 18200 through 18700, 18860 through 18874, and 19960 through 19997; and Government Code Sections 12955.1 and 12955.1.1.

2. HCD proposes to amend Section 420.6.2.3.2 “Carbon Monoxide Alarms on or After January 1, 2013” in Chapter 4, as follows:

420.6.2.3.2 Carbon monoxide alarms on or after January 1, 2013. Carbon monoxide alarms shall be installed in accordance with Section 420.6.2 in all other existing dwelling units intended for human occupancy as defined in Health and Safety Code Section 13262(b) that have a fossil fuel-burning heater or appliance, fireplace or an attached garage. Carbon monoxide alarms in existing buildings are permitted to be solely battery operated or plug-in type with battery back-up in areas where no construction is taking place.

Note: See Section 420.6.2.3.3, which extends the required carbon monoxide alarms installation date for existing hotel and motel dwelling units intended for human occupancy.

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 17040, 17050, 17920.9, 17921, 17921.3, 17921.6, 17921.10, 17922, 17922.6, 17922.12, 17927, 17928, 17959.6, 18300, 18552, 18554, 18620, 18630, 18640, 18670, 18690, 18691, 18865, 18871.3, 18871.4, 18873, 18873.1, 18873.2, 18873.3, 18873.4, 18873.5, 18938.3, 18944.11 and 19990; and Government Code Section 12955.1.

Reference: Health and Safety Code Sections 17000 through 17062.5, 17910 through 17995.5, 18200 through 18700, 18860 through 18874, and 19960 through 19997; and Government Code Sections 12955.1 and 12955.1.1.

3. HCD proposes to adopt Section 420.6.2.3.3 “Carbon Monoxide Alarms on or After January 1, 2016” in Chapter 4, as follows:

420.6.2.3.3 Carbon monoxide alarms on or after January 1, 2016. Carbon monoxide alarms shall be installed in accordance with Section 420.6.2 in existing hotel and motel dwelling units intended for human occupancy as defined in Health and Safety Code Section 13262(b) that have a fossil fuel-burning heater or appliance, fireplace or an attached garage. Carbon monoxide alarms in existing buildings are permitted to be solely battery operated or plug-in type with battery back-up in areas where no construction is taking place.

NOTE: Authority cited: Sections 17040, 17050, 17920.9, 17921, 17921.3, 17921.6, 17921.10, 17922, 17922.6, 17922.12, 17927, 17928, 17959.6, 18300, 18552, 18554, 18620, 18630, 18640, 18670, 18690, 18691, 18865, 18871.3, 18871.4, 18873, 18873.1, 18873.2, 18873.3, 18873.4, 18873.5, 18938.3, 18944.11 and 19990; and Government Code Section 12955.1.

Reference: Health and Safety Code Sections 17000 through 17062.5, 17910 through 17995.5, 18200 through 18700, 18860 through 18874, and 19960 through 19997; and Government Code Sections 12955.1 and 12955.1.1.
