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Interpretation

1(1) In this Regulation,

- (a) “Act” means the *Safety Codes Act*;
- (b) “certification body” means an organization accredited by the Standards Council of Canada as a certification body;
- (c) “Code” means the National Plumbing Code of Canada 2010.

(2) The definitions in the Act and the Code apply to the words used in this Regulation.

AR 119/2007 s1;154/2012

Exemption

2 This Regulation does not apply to plumbing systems that are private sewage disposal systems.

Approved equipment

3(1) If the Code requires approved equipment, that equipment must meet the requirements of subsection (2).

(2) No person shall, for use in Alberta, manufacture, install, sell or offer for sale any equipment related to plumbing systems unless the equipment has been

- (a) tested and certified by a certification body, or
- (b) inspected and approved by a certification body and the equipment bears evidence of having been accepted in the manner authorized by the certification body.

Plumbing Code

4(1) The National Plumbing Code of Canada 2010, as published by the National Research Council of Canada and as varied by this section, is declared in force in respect of plumbing systems other than private sewage disposal systems.

(2) The Code is varied in Division A Sentence 1.1.1.1.(3) by striking out “National Building Code of Canada 2010” and substituting “Alberta Building Code 2006”.

(3) The Code is varied in Division A Sentence A-2.2.1.1.(1) by striking out “National Building Code, the National Fire Code” and substituting “Alberta Building Code 2006, the Alberta Fire Code 2006”.

(4) The Code is varied in Division A Sentence A-3.2.1.1.(1) by striking out “National Building Code, the National Fire Code” and substituting “Alberta Building Code 2006, the Alberta Fire Code 2006”.

(5) The Code is varied in Division B Article 1.3.2.1

- (a) by striking out “NBC” and substituting “ABC”;**
- (b) by striking out “National Building Code of Canada 2010” and substituting “Alberta Building Code 2006”;**
- (c) by striking out “NFC” and substituting “AFC”;**
- (d) by striking out “National Fire Code of Canada 2010” and substituting “Alberta Fire Code 2006”;**
- (e) by striking out “NFPA 13D-2007” and substituting “NFPA 13D-2010”.**

(5.1) The Code is varied in Division B Sentences 2.1.2.1.(1), 2.1.2.2.(1) and 2.1.2.3.(1) by striking out “Except as provided in subsection 2.7.4.”.

(6) The Code is varied in Division B Sentences 2.1.3.1.(1), 2.2.5.12.(2), 2.2.5.12.(3), 2.2.6.7.(3) and 2.4.10.4.(1) by striking out “NBC” and substituting “ABC”.

(7) Division B Article 2.4.2.1 of the Code is varied by adding the following after Sentence (5):

(6) The *soil-or-waste pipe* serving a clothes washer shall not be less than 50 mm and separately vented or the connection shall be downstream of all fixtures that are circuit vented.

(8) Division B Sentence 2.4.3.1.(1) of the Code is varied by striking out “(See Article 3.7.2.6 of Division B of the NBC.)” and substituting “(See Article 7.2.2.4 of Division B of the ABC - 2006.)”.

(8.1) Division B Article 2.4.6.4 is varied by striking out Sentence (4).

(9) Division B Sentence 2.4.8.2.(1) of the Code is varied by striking out “1200 mm” and substituting “900 mm”.

(10) Division B Sentence 2.5.2.1.(1) of the Code is varied by striking out Clause (c) and substituting the following:

- (c) where 2 water closets are connected at the same level it shall be by means of a double sanitary T fitting or double Y fitting if the vent pipe is vertical and by means of a double Y fitting if the vent pipe is horizontal,

(11) and (12) Repealed AR 154/2012 s3.

(13) Division B Article 2.5.5.2 of the Code is varied by striking out “NFC” and substituting “AFC”.

(14) Repealed AR 154/2012 s3.

(15) Division B Sentence 2.5.9.3.(5) of the Code is varied by striking out “Sentence 2.5.6.2.(1)” and substituting “Sentence 2.5.8.4.(5)”.

(16) Division B of the Code is varied by striking out Article 2.6.2.4 and substituting the following:

2.6.2.4. Backflow from Fire Protection Systems

(1) A backflow preventer shall not be required in *residential full flow-through fire sprinkler/sandpipe systems* in which the pipes and fittings are constructed of *potable water system materials*.

(2) Backflow caused by back-siphonage or back pressure from fire sprinkler systems where water treatment is not added shall be prevented by the installation of not less than an Approved Double Check Valve Assembly, and such a device shall not adversely affect the designed performance of the system.

(3) Backflow caused by back-siphonage or back pressure from standpipe systems where water treatment is not added shall be prevented by the installation of not less than an Approved Double Check Valve Assembly, and such a device shall not adversely affect the designed performance of the system.

(17) Division B Article 2.6.3.1 of the Code is varied by adding the following after Sentence (3):

(4) Multipurpose residential fire sprinkler systems referred to in Sentence (3) shall have no dead ends longer than 150 mm (6 inches).

AR 119/2007 s4;154/2012

Crown disclaimer

5 The Code referred to in, and as varied by, section 4 and any code or standards referenced in that Code do not make or imply any assurance or guarantee by the Crown in right of Alberta with respect to life expectancy, durability or operating performance of equipment or materials referenced in the codes or standards.

Repeal

6 The *Plumbing Code Regulation* (AR 219/97) is repealed.

Expiry

7 For the purpose of ensuring that this Regulation is reviewed for ongoing relevancy and necessity, with the option that it may be repassed in its present or an amended form following a review, this Regulation expires on November 1, 2016.

Coming into force

8 This Regulation comes into force on September 2, 2007.



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