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New Hampshire Fire Code – UPDATE

Effective June 30, 2016 the New Hampshire Fire Code reads as follows:

New Hampshire fire code” or “state fire code” means the adoption by reference of the **Life Safety Code 2015 edition** and the **Uniform Fire Code NFPA 1, 2009 edition**, as published by the National Fire Protection Association and as amended by the state board of fire control and ratified by the general court pursuant to RSA 153:5. The provisions of any other national code, model code, or standard referred to within a code listed in this definition shall be included in the state fire code unless amended in accordance with RSA 153:5.

Additional Guidance for Potential Conflict between the Codes:

The NFPA 101 Life Safety Code, 2015 edition addresses construction, protection, and occupancy features necessary to minimize danger to life from the effects of fire, proper design and function of egress, and other protective safeguards essential to life safety.

As such, when you are utilizing the NFPA 101 Life Safety Code, 2015 edition, both the referenced publications in Chapter 2 and the specifically cited editions are required as part of this *Code*.

When the underlying requirement comes from NFPA 101 (2015), stay in NFPA 101 (2015) to include those referenced publications/editions to the extent possible. If the underlying requirement comes from NFPA 1 (2009), stay in NFPA 1 (2009) to include those referenced publications/editions to the extent possible.

If you have questions regarding this notice or a potential conflict between the two codes or editions of the codes, please contact us for further assistance at fmo@dos.nh.gov or 603-223-4289.