

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE BUILDING CODE
PROPOSED AMENDMENT FORM

EX-15-07-18

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Applicable code: IEBC

Applicable code section: 202

Select only one code: IEBC-15 IBC-15 IRC-15 IPC-15 IMC-15 IECC-15 IEBC-15 NEC-17 (NFPA 70)

Current language (including section numbers and include prior adopted amendments):

CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY. A change in the use of the building or a portion of a building. A change of occupancy shall include any change of occupancy classification, any change from one group to another group within an occupancy classification or any change in use within a group for a specific occupancy classification.

Check one: Delete without substitution: Add new section to read as follows:

Delete section and substitute the following: Revise section to read as follows:

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Proposed code language:

~~**CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY.** A change in the use of the building or a portion of a building. A change of occupancy shall include any change of occupancy classification, any change from one group to another group within an occupancy classification or any change in use within a group for a specific occupancy classification.~~ A change in the use of a building or a portion of a building which results in one of the following:

1. A change of occupancy classification.
2. A change from one group to another group within an occupancy classification.
3. Any change in use within a group for which there is a change in application of the requirements of this code.

Reason / Justification:

During the legislative code adoption committee hearings, the misapplication of the term "change of occupancy" was discussed and the committee wanted it clarified. While the 2015 code has a better definition than the 2009 code, this is from the 2018 codes which makes it even more understandable.

For information, this is the 2009 definition: **CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY.** A change in the purpose or level of activity within a building that involves a change in application of the requirements of this code.

This is a companion change to the 2015 IBC.

Financial Analysis/Fiscal Impact of proposed amendment:

Clarification only – no fiscal impact.

