

EXHIBIT 56

The Permanent Committee on Architectural Barrier-Free Design For the State of New Hampshire

September 11, 2009

Draft Amendment Proposal

Amend ICC/ANSI A117.1, 2003 edition as referenced in IBC 2009, specific to providing detectable warnings on all curb ramps, the width of van-accessible parking spaces and the width of access aisles for van-accessible parking spaces, as follows:

1. Amend ICC/ANSI A117.1 Section 406.12 to require detectable warnings for all curb ramps as follows:

406.12 Detectable Warnings at Curb Ramps and Raised Marked

Crossings Curb Ramps. Curb ramps, and marked ~~Marked~~ crossings that are raised to the same level as the adjoining sidewalk, shall be preceded by a 24-inch (610 mm) deep detectable warning complying with Section 705, extending the full width of the marked crossing.

2. Replace ICC/ANSI A117.1 Section 502.2, Vehicle Space Size, with the following:

Car and van parking spaces shall be 96 inches (2440 mm) minimum in width.

3. Replace ICC/ANSI A117.1 Section 502.4.2, Width, with the following:

502.4.2 Width

502.4.1 Access aisles serving car parking spaces shall be 60 inches (1525 mm) minimum in width.

502.4.2 Access aisles serving van parking spaces shall be 96 inches (2440 mm) minimum in width.

4. Replace ICC/ANSI A117.1 Section 502.4.4, Marking, as follows:

502.4.4 Marking.

502.4.4.1 Access aisles shall be marked so as to discourage parking in them and designated by vertical "No Parking" signs located at the front of the access aisle and mounted with the bottom of the sign 60 inches (1525 mm) minimum above the floor of the access aisle

EXCEPTION: A "No Parking" sign is not required when:

1. The placement of the sign would obstruct the accessible route to the accessible entrance.
2. There is a non-removable physical obstacle preventing the placement of a sign.
3. The placement of a sign would be in front of a window wall.

4. The placement of a sign would otherwise be in conflict with a provision of IBC 2006 or a provision of ICC/ANSI A117.1 2003.

502.4.4.2 Where access aisles are marked with lines, the width measurements of access aisles adjacent parking spaces shall be made from the centerline of the markings.

EXCEPTION: Where access aisles or parking spaces are not adjacent to another access aisle or parking space, measurements shall be permitted to include the full width of the line defining the access aisle or parking space.

Background:

- The Code for Barrier Free-Design [AB Code] has been in existence since the 1960's and can be found in NH Rule Abfd 300. The AB Code applies only to publicly funded places of public accommodation.
- The AB Code was amended in the 1990's to incorporate by reference the ADA Standards for Accessible Design and at that time required curb ramps to be installed when sidewalks are constructed or when renovations are made to sidewalks.
- In the late 1990's the AB Code was amended to require detectable warnings provided on curb ramps.
- To align itself with the NH State Building Code, the AB Code was amended in 2002 to incorporate by reference ANSI A117.1, 1998 edition, and again in 2008 to incorporate by reference IBC 2006 and ICC/ANSI A117.1, 2003 edition.

International Building Code, IBC, 2009, Chapter 11, Section 1102.2

1101.2 Design. Buildings and facilities shall be designed and constructed to be *accessible* in accordance with this code and ICC A117.1.

Refer to the "Referenced Standards" section below for the list of sections that reference ICC/ANSI A117.1



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Standard reference number	Title	Referenced in code section number
ICC/ANSI A117.1-03	Accessible and Usable Buildings and Facilities	406.2.2, 907.5.2.3.4, 1007.9, 1010.1, 1010.6.5, 1010.9, 1011.3, 1022.8, 1101.2, 1102.1, 1104.4, 1105.7, 1107.2, 1108.2.2, 1108.2.3, 1108.4.1.1, 1108.4.1.2, 1108.4.1.4, 1108.4.1.5, 1109.1, 1109.2, 1109.2.1.1, 1109.2.2, 1109.2.3, 1109.3, 1109.4, 1109.8, 1109.13, 2902.4, 3001.3, 3008.13.1, 3008.13.2, 3411.6, 3411.8.2, 3411.8.3, E101.2, E104.2, E104.2.1, E104.3, E104.3.4, E105.1, E105.2.1, E105.2.2, E105.3, E105.4, E105.6, E106.2, E106.3, E106.4, E106.4.9, E106.5, E107.2, E107.3, E108.3, E108.4, E109.2.1, E109.2.2.1, E109.2.2.2, E109.2.2.3, E109.2.3, E109.2.5, E109.2.6, E109.2.8, E110.2, E110.4

International Existing Building Code, IEBC, 2009

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Standard reference number	Title	Referenced in code section number
IBC-09	International Building Code ^a	101, 106, 109, 110, 202, 307, 310, 401, 504, 502, 506, 601, 602, 605, 606, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 804, 805, 807, 901, 902, 907, 911, 912, 1002, 1003, 1004, 1101, 1102, 1103, 1104, 1105, 1201, 1202, 1301, 1401, 1406
ICC A117.1-03	Guidelines for Accessible and Usable Buildings and Facilities	310.6, 310.8.2, 605.1, 605.1.2, 605.1.3

Abfd 303.02 Clarifications and Modifications.

(a) Clarifications of, and modifications to, ICC/ANSI A117.1 2003 as set forth in (b)(1), (b)(3)b. and (b)(4) below shall apply to political subdivisions of the state only if they are fully funded by the state or the legislative bodies of the political subdivisions approve them for funding by a vote.

(b) Clarifications of, and modifications to, ICC/ANSI A117.1 2003 shall be as follows:

(1) The installation of curb ramps with detectable warnings whenever sidewalks and curbs are constructed, reconstructed or repaired in conjunction with new construction or substantial remodeling;

(2) Replacement of ICC/ANSI A117.1, Section 502.2, Vehicle Space Size, with the following text: "Car and van parking spaces shall be 96 inches (2440 mm) minimum in width.";

(3) Replacement of ICC/ANSI A117.1, Section 502.4.2, Width, with the following text:

a. "Access aisles serving car parking spaces shall be 60 inches (1525 mm) minimum in width."; and

b. "Access aisles serving van parking spaces shall be 96 inches (2440 mm) minimum in width."; and

(4) The addition to ICC/ANSI A117.1, Section 502.4.4, Marking, of the following text:

a. "Except as provided in b. below, access aisles shall be designated by vertical 'No Parking' signs:

1. Located at the front of the access aisle; and

2. Mounted with the bottom of the sign 60 inches (1525 mm) minimum above the floor of the access aisle."; and

b. "Access aisles shall not be required to be designated by vertical 'No Parking' signs when:

1. The placement of a sign would obstruct the accessible route to the accessible building entrance;

2. There is a non-removable physical obstacle preventing the placement of a sign;

3. The placement of a sign would be in front of a window wall; or

4. The placement of a sign would violate a provision of IBC 2006 or a provision of ICC/ANSI A117.1 2003."