

**TITLE 675 FIRE PREVENTION AND BUILDING SAFETY COMMISSION**

**Final Rule**

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**DIGEST**

Adds 675 IAC 22-2.6 to adopt the 2024 International Fire Code, first printing, with Indiana amendments to create the 2026 Indiana Fire Code. Repeals 675 IAC 22-2.5. Effective **XXXX**.

**675 IAC 22-2.5; 675 IAC 22-2.6.**

SECTION 1. 675 IAC 22-2.6 IS ADDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

**Rule 2.6 2026 Indiana Fire Code**

**675 IAC 22-2.6-1 Adoption by reference**

**Authority:** [IC 22-13-2-2](#); [IC 22-13-2-13](#)

**Affected:** [IC 22-12-7](#); [IC 22-13](#); [IC 22-14](#); [IC 36-8-17](#)

**Sec. 1. (a) That certain document being titled the International Fire Code, 2024 Edition, first printing dated October 2023, as published by the International Code Council, Inc., 4051 West Flossmoor Road, Country Club Hills, IL 60478-5795, is hereby adopted by reference as if fully set out in this rule save and except those revisions made in sections 2 through 12 of this rule.**

**(b) This rule is available for review and reference at the:  
Legal and Code Services Section  
Indiana Department of Homeland Security  
Indiana Government Center South  
402 West Washington Street, Room W246  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204**

**675 IAC 22-2.6-2 Chapter 1; Scope and Administration**

**Authority:** [IC 22-13-2-2](#); [IC 22-13-2-13](#)

**Affected:** [IC 22-12-7](#); [IC 22-13](#); [IC 22-14](#); [IC 36-8-17](#)

**Sec. 2. Chapter 1 is amended as follows:**

**(1) Delete the text of section 101.1 and insert to read as follows: Title. This rule shall be known as the 2026 Indiana Fire Code. Wherever the term “this code” is used throughout this rule, it shall mean the 2026 Indiana Fire Code.**

- (2) Delete the title and text of section 101.5 and insert a new title and text to read as follows:

**101.5 Effect of New or Changed Rules.**

**101.5.1 Construction projects for which design releases is required to be obtained as wet out in IC 22-15-3 and IC 22-15-2.3 shall be done in compliance with the applicable rules of the commission in effect on the date the application, plans and specifications were submitted to the Department notwithstanding the repeal or amendment of any rule before the date the construction work is actually done.**

**101.5.2 Accordingly, any enforcement action taken by the Department concerning such construction shall appropriately cite the rules of the commission in effect at the time the application, plans and specifications were submitted to the Department.**

**101.5.3 Notwithstanding section 101.5.1, the construction work may be done in accordance with any rule of the commission that takes effect subsequent to the submission of the application, plans and specifications and before the actual construction work being done, provided that an appropriate addenda and revision design release are issued by the department.**

**101.5.4 Construction that is exempt from the design release requirements, is not exempt from the compliance with the rules of the Commission in effect on the date the construction work starts.**

- (3) Add a new section 101.6 and title to read as follows:

**101.6 Conflict within the rules.**

**Where, in any specific case, different sections of the rules of the Commission specify different materials, methods of construction or other requirements, the most restrictive shall govern. Where there is a conflict between a general requirement and a specific requirement, the specific requirement shall be applicable.**

- (4) Add a new section 101.7 and title to read as follows:

**101.7. Saving clause**

**Whenever a rule of the Commission is repealed or amended such repeal, or amendment shall not have the effect to release or extinguish any penalty, forfeiture or liability incurred under such rule before its repeal or amendment, unless the amending or repealing rule promulgation shall so expressly provide; and such rule as it existed prior to the repeal or amendment shall be treated as still remaining in force for the purposes of sustaining any proper action or prosecution for the enforcement of such penalty, forfeiture, or liability.**

- (5) Add a new section 101.8 and title to read as follows:

**101.8 Words and Phrases Not Defined.**

**Where words and phrases are not defined within the rules of the commission, they shall have their ordinary accepted meanings within the context in which they are used.**

- (6) Add a new section 101.9 and title to read as follows:

**101.9 Interpretation.** The State Building Commissioner authorized to issue written interpretations on Rules of the Commission as set out in IC 22-13-5.

(7) Amend section 102.1 to add “Class 1” before the term “structures” throughout.

(8) Amend section 102.2 to add the following:

**102.2.1**

**For construction:**

**1. Existing Class 1 structures, facilities and conditions legally in existence before July 1, 1986, to the applicable Indiana Fire Code at the time, that has undergone changes in conditions, systems, or processes arising after the adoption thereof to its specific subsequent codes.**

**2 Existing *Class 1 structures*, facilities, conditions, systems, processes, and uses legally in existence prior to the effective date of this code shall be permitted to continue, as long as they are maintained in a condition that is at least as safe and provided the same fire prevention, life safety characteristics that were required when the building, systems, processes, or uses were constructed, installed, started, or altered.**

(9) Amend section 102.3 to change the title and delete the existing text in its entirety and insert to read as follows:

**Occupancy of Existing Buildings and Change of use or occupancy**

**102.3.1. Any building or structure lawfully in existence at the time of the adoption of any rule of the commission for new construction may have its existing use or occupancy classification continued without requiring the building or structure to be altered to comply with such rule.**

**102.3.2 No change in the use of the building or structure shall be permitted which shall cause the building or structure to be classified within a different occupancy classification group or within a different division of the same occupancy classification group, unless the building or structure is made to comply with the requirements of Commission for new construction for the proposed occupancy.**

**102.3.3 Where there is a change of occupancy classification group or within a different division of the same occupancy classification group, the owner may elect to perform a change of occupancy based upon the International Existing Building Code adopted by reference in the Indiana Building Code (675 IAC 13).**

**102.3.4 *Class 1 structure* lawfully in existence complying with the Rules of the Commission as set out in Table 103.3.4 for the specific occupancy classification is not considered a change of occupancy, due to changes in occupancy classification groups between the various adopted Indiana Building Codes (675 IAC 13).**

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|  | <b>TABLE 102.3.4</b> |  |
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|   | <b>OCCUPANCY CLASSIFICATION</b>   |   |
|---|---|---|
| <b>1985 Indiana Building (675 IAC 13-2 effective March 1, 1986) through 1993 Indiana Building Code (675 IAC 13-2.2 effective January 3, 1993) <sup>1; 2</sup></b>   | <b>1998 Indiana Building Code (675 IAC 12-2.3 effective April 30, 1998) <sup>1; 2</sup></b> | <b>2003 Indiana Building Code (675 IAC 13-2.4 effective April 21, 2003) <sup>1; 2</sup></b> |
| A-1   | A-1   | A-1   |
| A-2   | A-2   | A-1; A-2  |
| A2.1  | A-2.1   | A-1   |
| A-3   | A-3   | A-1; A-2; A-3   |
| A-4   | A-4   | A-4; A-5  |
| <p><b>NOTE: Prior to adoption of 2003 Indiana Building Code (675 IAC 13-2.4) Assembly “A” occupancy classification was determined by the presence of a legitimate stage, without a legitimate stage, and occupant load.</b></p>   |   |   |
| B-1   | S-3   |   |
| B-2   | B; F-1; M; S-1 and S-2  | B; F-1; M; S-1 and S-2  |
| B-3   | S-4; S-5  |   |
| B-4   | F-2; S-2  | F-2; S-2  |
| E-1   | E-1   | E   |
| E-2   | E-2   | E   |
| E-3   | E-3   | E - Daycare   |
|   |   |   |
| <b>Opening Parking Garage</b>   | S-4   | S-1   |
| <b>M</b>  | <b>U</b>  | <b>U – Private Parking Garage</b>   |
| <p><b>1. Hazardous “H” Occupancy Classification Group: To determine if a change of occupancy has occurred, the rule of the commission in effect at the time the Hazardous Occupancy was established will need to be consulted to determine if a change of occupancy has occurred.</b></p>         |   |   |
| <p><b>2. Institutional “I” Occupancy Classification Group: To determine if a change of occupancy has occurred, the rule of the commission in effect at the time the Institutional Occupancy was established will need to be consulted to determine if a change of occupancy has occurred.</b></p> |   |   |

**102.3.5. An owner claiming there has been no change of occupancy classification shall provide written verification of the past occupancy classification group, including the occupancy classification group division of the *Class 1 structure*.**

**102.3.6 When an addition or alteration is part of a change in occupancy classification the existing building addition or alteration to the existing building shall not exceed:**

- 1. height;**
- 2. number of stories; or**
- 3. area;**

**permitted by the rules of the commission for new construction for the new occupancy classification**

**(10) Amend section 102.4 as follows:**

- (A) add “Class 1” before “structures”; and**
- (B) replace “international” with “Indiana”.**

**(11) Amend section 102.5 as follows:**

- (A) replace “international” with “Indiana”;**
- (B) delete “including, but not limited” and “Where interior or exterior systems or devices are installed, construction permits required by Section 105.6 shall apply.” In item 1; and**
- (C) delete item 2.**

**(12) Amend section 102.6 to:**

- (1) delete “buildings or”; and**
- (2) add “Class 1” before “structures”.**

**(13) Amend 102.8 second sentence by deleting the text “or by laws”**

**(14) Delete section 102.9 without substitution.**

**(15) Delete section 102.10 without substitution**

**(16) Amend Section 102.11 by inserting the following text “aw that is not in conflict or more stringent with the rules of the commission, or other” between “local” and “states”**

**(17) Delete the Text of Section 103.1 and substitute to read as follows: Local inspection and enforcement programs of the fire prevention code shall be as set out in IC 36-8-17-8 for the implementation, administration and enforcement of the provisions of this code.**

**(18) Amend Section 103.2 by deleting the word “jurisdiction” and inserting political subdivision.**

(19) Delete the title and text of Section 103.3 and substitute to read as follows: **Local Ordinance.** In accordance with IC 22-13-2 as may be amended from time to time, a city, town or county is permitted to adopt an ordinance which incorporates by reference the rules of the commission.

(20) Amend the title of Section 104 by deleting the word “fire” without substitution.

(21) Amend section 104.1 by inserting the following text “State Fire Marshal and their designees, or” between the word “The” and “code”.

(22) Amend section 104.2 by inserting the following text “State Fire Marshal and their designees” between the words “The” and “code”

(23) Amend section 104.2 to add items 3 and 4 that read as follows:

3. May not create new requirements or conflict with the plain reading of the code.
4. May be overturned by an interpretation of the state building commissioner issued pursuant to IC 22-13-5. Interpretations of the State Building Commissioner take precedence over any other interpretations of this code.

(24) Amend section 103.2.2.2 to read as follows: **Preparer qualifications.** The technical opinion and report shall be prepared by a laboratory accredited by the American Association of Laboratory Accreditation or fire safety specialty organization acceptable to the *code official*. The *code official* is authorized to require design submittals to be prepared by, and bear the stamp of, a *design professional*.

(25) Amend Section 104.2.3 to read as follows: **The provisions of this section do not authorize a variance from any rule adopted by the Commission, or this rule are not intended to prevent the installation of any material or to prohibit any design or method of construction not specifically prescribed by this code, provided that any such alternative has been *approved*.**

(26) Delete the exception to section 104.2.3.

(27) Delete the text of section 104.2.3.3 and insert to read as follows:

**The *code official* may accept as evidence of compliance with the rules of the commission any evaluation report that contains limitations, conditions, or standards for alternative materials, methods of construction or design procedures and is published by an independent, nationally recognized testing laboratory that is accredited by the American Association of Laboratory Accreditation or any one (1) of the following:**

1. Factory Mutual Loss Prevention Data Sheets and test reports (FM)
2. International Code Council (ICC) Evaluation Services Report (ESR)
3. International Code Council Plumbing, Mechanical and Fuel Gas (PMG) Evaluation Report.
4. International Organization for Standardization (ISO) ISO standards listed

by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI).

5. International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC) IEC standards listed by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI).

(28) Amend Section 104.2.3.6.2 in the second and third sentence delete the words “qualified engineer, specialist, laboratory and insert the following text: *registered design professional*.

(29) Delete section 104.2.3.7.

(30) Delete section 104.2.4 and its subsections and replace with the following:  
Variances to this code may be granted in accordance with IC 22-13-2-11.

(31) Amend section 104.3 by deleting in the 1<sup>st</sup> line the words “receive application” and the 2<sup>nd</sup> line deleting the words “issue permits for construction regulated by this code.”

(32) Delete the text of Section 104.7 and insert to read as follows: Where a local Fire Prevention Ordinance has been adopted by the jurisdiction, the *code official* shall keep official records as required by the local ordinance. Where a local Fire Prevention Ordinance has not been adopted by the jurisdiction the *code official* shall keep official records of all inspections and violation orders as required by the jurisdictions adopted records retention schedule. Such official records shall be retained in accordance with the records retention schedule for the jurisdiction or state law, if there is no local retention schedule.

(33) Delete Section 104.7.1 in its entirety without substitution and re-number remainder of section.

(34) Amend Section 104.7.4 title by deleting the word “and modified” without substitution

(35) Amend Section 107.4 in the 4<sup>th</sup> line by deleting the text “for either” without substitution.

(36) Delete Section 104.7.6 without substitution.

(37) Delete Section 104.8 and its subsection without substitution.

(38) Amend section 104.9.1 by adding the following text to the end of the sentence “by the *code official*”

(39) Delete sections 104.10 through 104.11.3 in its entirety.

(40) Amend Section 105.1 by deleting “shall be” and substituting “may be.”

(41) Amend section 105.1.1 by adding the following text to the end of the section “from the appropriate code official.”

(42) Amend Section 105.1.2 Item 2 by deleting the text and inserting to read as follows:

**Construction permits shall be obtained from the code official for the political subdivision who is responsible for the issuance of building permits and enforcement of the rule of the commission applicable to construction.**

**(43) Amend section 105.1.3 by adding the following exception to read as follows:**

**Exception:**

**Building permits required to be issued by the code official responsible for the enforcement of the rules of the commission for construction.**

**(44) Amend Section 105.1.4 as follows:**

**in the 2<sup>nd</sup> add the word “by” and deleting the word “within” and deleting the work “working”**

**In the 3<sup>rd</sup> line delete the text after the word “official.”**

**(45) Amend section 105.1.5 by deleting the word “structure,” in the 1<sup>st</sup> line.**

**(46) Delete Section 105.1.6 and its subsection in its entirety without substitution.**

**(47) Amend section 105.2 by deleted in the 1<sup>st</sup> sentence the following text “by the fire code official” and inserting “by the political subdivision”**

**(48) Amend section 105.2 by deleted in the 2<sup>nd</sup> sentence the following text “fire code official” and inserting “political subdivision.”**

**(49) Delete section 105.2.1 in its entirety without substitution and renumber remaining sub section.**

**(50) Amend subsection 105.2.2 by renumbering to 105.2.1 and by deleting the text and inserting to read as follows: “Before a new operational permit is issued the *code official* is authorized to inspect the premises, or areas to be used to determine compliance with this code or any operational constraints required.”**

**(51) Amend subsection 105.2.3 by renumber to 105.2.2 and in the 1<sup>st</sup> line delete the text “work or” without substitution.**

**(52) Amend subsection 105.2.4 by renumbering to 105.2.3 and in the 3<sup>rd</sup> line delete the word “shall” and insert the word “may”.**

**(53) Delete the text of section 105.3 and insert to read as follows: A permit shall constitute permission to maintain, store or handle materials; or to conduct processes that produce conditions hazardous to life or property; or to install equipment utilized in connection with such activities; accordance with the provisions of the rules of the commission where a permit is required. Such permission shall not be construed as authority to violate, cancel or set aside any of the provisions of the rules of the commission or laws of the political subdivision.**

(54) Delete the text of Section 105.3.1 and insert to read as follows: An operational permit shall remain in effect until reissued, renewed or revoked, or for such a period of time as specified in the permit. Permits are not transferable and any change in occupancy, operation, tenancy or ownership shall require that a new permit be issued.

(55) Amend Section 105.3.2 by deleting in the 4<sup>th</sup> line “for periods of not more than 180 days each” without substitution.

(56) Delete sections 105.3.3 and 105.3.4 in their entirety without substitution.

(57) Delete the text of 105.3.6 in its entirety and substitute to read as follows:

**105.3.6 Compliance with code.** The issuance or granting of a permit shall not be construed to be a permit for, or an approval of, any violation of any of the provisions of this code or the rules of the commission or of any other ordinance of the political subdivision. Permits presuming to give authority to violate or cancel the provisions of this code or the rules of the commission or other ordinances of the political subdivision shall not be valid. The issuance of a permit based on *documents* and other data shall not prevent the *code official* from requiring the correction of errors in the *documents* and other data. Any addition to or alteration of *approved documents* shall be *approved* in advance by the *code official*, as evidenced by the issuance of a new amended permit.

(58) Delete the text of Section 105.3.7 in its entirety and substitute to read as follows:

**105.3.7 Information on the permit.** The *code official* shall issue permits as required. The permit shall contain a general description of the operation or occupancy and its location, and any other information required by the *code official*. Issued permits shall bear the signature of the *code official*.

(59) Delete the text of Section 105.3.8 and substitute to read as follows:

**105.3.8 Validity of permit.** The issuance of a permit shall not be construed to be a permit for, or an approval of, any violation of any of the provisions of this code or any rule of the commission or of any other ordinances of the political subdivision. The issuance of a permit based on operational documents and other data shall not prevent the *code official* from requiring correction of errors in the documents or other data.

(60) Amend section 105.4 by deleted in the 3<sup>rd</sup> line the text “or construction documents” without substitution.

(61) Amend section 105.4 item #7 by adding the following text to the end of item #7: “or any other rule of the commission”.

(62) Delete section 105.5.3 in its entirety without substitution.

(63) Delete section 105.5.5 in its entirety without substitution

(64) Amend section 105.5.12 by deleting the word “jurisdiction” and substituting the words “political subdivision”.

(65) Delete Sections 105.5.35; 105.5.36,105.5.36; 105.5.37; 105.5.41; 105.5.42; and 105.5.47 in their entirety without substitution.

(66) Delete Section 106.6 and all subsections in their entirety without substitution.

(67) Committee voted to retain Section 106 with modifications.

(68) Amend Section 106.1 by deleting the text and the exception and substitute as follows:  
**106.1 Design Release.** This section does not relieve the owner, contractor or Indiana Licensed Design Professional from obtaining a design release as required by IC 22-15-3 and IC 22-15-3.2.

(69) Amend section 106.2 in the 1<sup>st</sup> line by deleting the word “shall” and substituting “may” and in the second line deleting “construction” without substitution.

(70) Amend Section 106.2.1 by deleting the word “construction” without substitution throughout the entire section.

(71) Amend section 106.2.2 by inserting the words “applicable standard” between the word “code and “and” and deleting the word “construction”.

(72) Amend section 106.2.4 by deleting the text in its entirety and inserting to read as follows: **106.2.4 Accepted documents.** *Documents accepted by the code official are accepted with the intent that such documents comply in all respects with this code and all applicable standards in Chapter 9 of this code. Review and acceptance by the code official shall not relieve the applicant of the responsibility of compliance with this code and all applicable standards.*

(73) Delete section 106.2.4.1 in its entirety without substitution.

(74) Amend section 106.3 by deleting the text and substituting to read as follows:  
**“106.3 Amended documents.** Work shall be installed in accordance with the *approved documents*, this code and applicable standards. Any changes made during construction that are not in compliance with the *approved documents* shall be resubmitted for approval as an amended set of *documents*.”

(75) Amend section 106.4 by deleting the text and submitting to read as follows:  
**106.4 Retention of documents.** One (1) set of *documents* shall be retained by the *code official* as required by the political subdivision records retention schedule or the State of Indiana Retention Schedule, if there is no political subdivision retention schedule, from date of completion of the permitted work. One (1) set of *approved documents* shall be returned to the applicant, and said set shall be kept on the site of the building or work at all times during which the work authorized thereby is in progress.

(76) Amend Section 107.1 by deleting the text and substituting to read as follows:

**107.1 General.** The *code official* is authorized to issue a permit for temporary structures, uses, equipment or systems as required in Sections 105.5 and 105.6 in conjunction with the political subdivision's building department, if such department exists within the political subdivision. Such permits shall be limited as to time of service but shall not be permitted for more than one hundred (180) days in a twelve (12) month period. The *code official* is authorized to grant extensions for demonstrated cause, in conjunction with the political subdivision's building, if such department exists within the political subdivision.

(77) Amend section 107.2 by deleting the words "this code" and substituting the word "the rules of the commission."

(78) Delete section 107.3 in its entirety without substitution.

(79) Amend section 107.4 by deleting the text in its entirety and substituting to read as follows:

**107.4 Termination of approval.** The *code official* in conjunction with the political subdivision's building department, if such department exists within the political subdivision is authorized to terminate such permit for temporary uses, equipment or systems and to order the same to be discontinued.

(80) Delete section 108 and its subsections in their entirety.

(81) Delete the text of section 109.1 in its entirety and substitute to read as follows:

**109.1 Inspection authority.** The *code official* is authorized to enter and examine any building, structure, or premises in accordance with this code or in accordance with the political subdivisions' local ordinance adopted for the purposes of enforcing administrative provisions. for enforcing the rules of the commission.

(82) Amend section 109.2 by deleting in the second sentence the words "a responsible officer of such approved agency or by the responsible individual" and substitute the following words "code official."

(83) Add a new section 109.2.1 to read as follows and renumber section 109.2.1 to section 109.2.2.; and section 109.2.2 to section 109.2.3.

**109.2.1 Inspection.** As set out in IC 36-8-17-6 a fire department may enforce fire safety laws that are applicable to the jurisdiction of the serving fire department.

(84) Amend Section 109.2.2 by inserting the word "owner" in the 1<sup>st</sup> line and 3<sup>rd</sup> line between the words "the" and "holder".

(85) Amend Section 109.2.3 by inserting the words "owner or" in the 4<sup>th</sup> line between the words "the" and "permit" and deleting the words "his or her" between the words "or" and "agent" and inserting the words "their duly authorized".

**(86) Amend Section 109.3 by inserting the words “owner or” between the words “the” and “permit.”**

**(87) The Fire Prevention Code Committee voted to delete section 110 and insert new text as follows:**

**Delete section 110 Maintenance in its entirety and retitle the section and insert new text to read as follows: SECTION 110—MAINTENANCE OF EXISTING BUILDING AND STRUCTURES**

**110.1 – Permanent Systems.**

**Permanent Systems are defined as follows and are only applicable to this section. Permanent systems mean any of the following:**

- 1. Heating,**
- 2. Ventilating,**
- 3. Air conditioning,**
- 4. Electrical,**
- 5. Plumbing,**
- 6. Emergency detection,**
- 7. Emergency communication,**
- 8. Fire sprinkler systems**
- 9. Fire or explosion suppression systems, or;**
- 10. Passive building fire resistance rated building elements or systems (e.g. walls, doors, corridors, ceilings and roof).**

**110.2. Buildings and structures constructed prior to 1928.**

***Class 1 structures* and any of the permanent systems shall continuously be maintained in a condition at least as safe as when originally constructed, installed, or altered.**

**110.3. Buildings and structures, constructed after 1928 and prior to the creation of the Commission July 1, 1986.**

***Class 1 structures*, and any of the permanent systems, shall be continuously maintained in conformance with the applicable rules of the predecessor agency or the Commission in effect when originally constructed, installed, or altered.**

**110.4. The requirements of Section shall not prohibit maintenance in compliance with the current applicable rules of the commission or in another manner which would be at least as safe, sanitary, energy efficient, and accessible to persons with a physical disability.**

**110.5 This section does not prohibit the removal of any of the permanent systems provided the permanent system(s) are not required for the current occupancy classification by the rules of the commission or the predecessor agencies, at the time of construction, installation, or alteration.**

**110.6. Notwithstanding section 109.4 of this section, no alteration or removal of any of the permanent systems shall not create an unsafe or overloaded condition under the provisions of the current rules of the commission for new construction.**

**110.7 Notwithstanding section 109.4 of this section, no alteration or removal shall reduce existing fire protection or detection systems or exit capacities to a level less than that required by the current rules of the commission for new construction.**

**110.8 Testing and operation. Equipment requiring periodic testing or operation to ensure maintenance shall be tested or operated as specified in this code.**

**110.8.1 Reinspection and testing. Where any work or installation does not pass an initial test or inspection, the necessary corrections shall be made so as to achieve compliance with this code and manufacturer's recommendations and instructions or referenced standard. The work or installation shall then be resubmitted to the *code official* for inspection and testing.**

**110.9 Recordkeeping. A record of periodic inspections, tests, servicing and other operations and maintenance shall be maintained on the premises or other *approved* location for not less than three (3) years, or a different period of time where specified in this code or referenced standards. Records shall be made available for inspection by the *code official*, and a copy of the records shall be provided to the *code official* on request. The *code official* is authorized to prescribe the form and format of such recordkeeping. The *code official* is authorized to require that certain required records be filed with the *code official*.**

**110.10 Supervision. Maintenance and testing shall be under the supervision of a responsible person who shall ensure that such maintenance and testing are conducted at specified intervals in accordance with this code and manufacturer's recommendations and instructions or referenced standard.**

**110.11 Rendering equipment inoperable. Portable or fixed fire-extinguishing systems or devices, and fire-warning systems, shall be provided with *ready access* and shall not be rendered inoperative, except as necessary during emergencies, maintenance, repairs, *alterations*, drills or prescribed testing**

**110.12 Overcrowding. Overcrowding or admittance of any person beyond the *approved* capacity of a building or a portion thereof shall not be allowed. The *code official*, on finding any overcrowding conditions or obstructions in *aisles*, passageways or other *means of egress*, or on finding any condition that constitutes a life safety hazard, shall be authorized to cause the event to be stopped until such condition or obstruction is corrected.**

**(88) Amend section 111 Service Utilities by deleting the title and text and substituting a new titled and text to read as follows:**

**SECTION 111- EXISTING BUILDNGS, ADDITIONS, ALTERATIONS AND  
MOVED BUILDINGS.**

**111.1 No addition or alteration to a *Class 1 structure* shall reduce existing fire protection or detection systems or exit capacities to a level less than that required by the rules of the commission for new construction.**

**111.1.1 Permanent Systems.**

**Permanent Systems are defined as follows and are only applicable to this section. Permanent systems mean any of the following:**

- 1. Heating,**
- 2. Ventilation,**
- 3. Air conditioning,**
- 4. Electrical,**
- 5. Plumbing,**
- 6. Emergency detection,**
- 7. Emergency communication,**
- 8. Fire sprinkler systems,**
- 9. Fire or explosion suppressions, or**
- 10. Passive building-in fire resistance rated building elements or systems (e.g. walls, doors, corridors, ceilings and roofs).**

**111.2 Not Permitted to become noncompliant**

**No addition or alteration shall cause an existing *Class 1 structure*, or any permanent systems to become noncompliant under the provisions of the current rules of the commission for new construction or with the applicable rules of the commission or its predecessor agencies in effect at the time the original construction or installation was made**

**111.3 Minor Nonstructural Alterations.**

**111.3.1. Minor nonstructural alterations to an existing *Class 1 structure*, which do not adversely affect any structural members, or any part of the building or structure having required fire resistance, may be made with the same materials of which the building or structure is constructed.**

**111.3.2 The following shall comply with the requirements of the rules of the commission for new construction:**

- 1. The installation or replacement of glass shall meet the requirements for safety glazing.**
- 2. The installation or replacement of wall and ceiling finishes shall meet the requirements for flame spread ratings.**
- 3. The installation or replacement of any potable water distribution system, or portion thereof, shall be only of lead-free pipe, fittings, flux, and solder.**

**111.4 Addition Limitations.**

The Addition to a *Class 1 structure* plus the existing *Class 1 structure* shall comply with the current rules of the commission for:

1. Height,
2. Number of stories; and
3. Area

#### **111.5 Additions or alteration to existing *Class 1 structures***

**111.5.1 Additions or alterations to existing *Class 1 structures* including additions to or installation of permanent system shall comply with the rules of the commission for new construction, unless specifically exempted elsewhere in this section 110.5.2. Additions or alterations may be made to existing *Class 1 structure*, or any permanent systems without requiring the entire existing *Class 1 structure*, to comply with all the requirements of the rules of the commission for new construction provided:**

1. the construction work within the scope of the construction complies with the requirements of the commission for new construction; and
2. Sections 111.1, 111.2, 111.3, and 111.10 are not violated

#### **111.6 Additions of Balcony**

The addition of one (1) or more balconies, each of which does not exceed one hundred (100) square feet in total area, to an existing, non-sprinklered, R-2 occupancy is permitted without either the balconies or the existing building being protected by a sprinkler system in accordance with 675 IAC 13.

#### **111.7 Repairs**

Repairs to any permanent systems may be made in accordance with the current rules of the commission for new construction or with the applicable rules of the commission or its predecessor agencies in effect at the time original installation.

#### **111.8 Energy Code Compliance**

Alterations of buildings built prior to January 21, 1978 (the effective date of the first state rule for energy conservation) need not conform with the new construction standards of 675 IAC 19. This exception does not apply to any addition to an existing *Class 1 structure*.

#### **111.9 Rehabilitation of Existing Building**

If the rehabilitation of an existing building is undertaken in accordance with Chapter 34 of the Indiana Building (675 IAC 13), all construction work undertaken in the rehabilitation shall comply with the rule of the commission for new construction.

#### **111.10 Moved Buildings and Structures**

**111.10.1 All *Class 1 structures* that are moved into the state shall comply with, or be made to comply with, the requirements of the commission for new construction for their intended occupancy at their new location.**

**111.10.2 All *Class 1 structures* that are moved within the state, or to a new location on the same site, shall comply with, or shall be made to comply with, section 103.3.1 and 103.3.2 of this rule.**

(89) Amend section 112 Means of Appeals by deleting the title and text and substituting a new title and text to read as follows:

**SECTION 112— VARIANCE**

**112.1** Where there are practical difficulties involved in complying with the provisions of this code, or any other rule of the commission, the department or commission shall approve or deny such modifications through the variance process as set out in IC 22-13-2. See IC 22-13-2.

(90) Amend section 113.1 by inserting in the 2<sup>nd</sup> line the words “or any other rule of the commission” between the words “code” and “or” and add the following text to the end of the sentence “or any other rule of the commission.”

(91) Amend section 113.3 by deleting in the 2<sup>nd</sup> line the word “authorized” between the words “official and to and insert the words “is required” and in the 3<sup>rd</sup> line insert the following words “as set out in IC 36-7-2-9.5” between the words “violation” and “describing.”

(92) Amend section 113.3.3 by deleting the text in its entirety and substituting to read as follows:

**Prosecution of violations. If the notice of violation is not complied within the timeframe specified within the notice of violation , the *code official* is authorized to request the legal counsel of the political subdivision to institute the appropriate legal proceedings at law or in equity to restrain, correct or abate such violation or to require removal or termination of the unlawful occupancy of the structure in violation of the provisions of this code or of the order or direction made pursuant hereto.**

(93) Amend Section 113.4 by deleting the text in its entirety and substituting to read as follows:

**Violation penalties. Persons who shall violate a provision of this code or shall fail to comply with any of the requirements thereof or who shall erect, install, alter, repair or do work in violation of the released *construction documents* or directive of the *code official*, or of a permit or certificate used under provisions of this code, shall be guilty of a Class C infraction, punishable by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00). Each day that a violation continues after due notice has been served shall be deemed a separate offense.**

(94) Amend sections 114.1 to add after “of this code”, in both instances, the following “or any other rule of the commission.”

(95) Amend section 114.2 to add after the last sentence the following: “The stop work order shall cite, by section number, the rule of the commission which was violated.”

(96) Amend section 114.4 to add a new sentence at the end that reads as follows: “Written notice shall be provided to persons required to comply with the order within 24 hours of stopping said work and shall comply with IC 4-21.5-4-3.”

(97) Amend section 114.2 by inserting the following word “citing the specific rule of the commission, chapter and section” between the words “order” and “and.”

(98) Amend section 114.3 by inserting a new sentence at the end of the paragraph to read as follows: Written notice shall be provided to the owner, owner’s representative within twenty-four (24) hours of stopping said work.

(99) Amend section 115 title by inserting the words “building and” between the words “unsafe” and “structures.”

(100) Amend Section 115.1 by deleting the text in its entirety and substituting to read as follows:

**115.1 General. For Unsafe Building or structure or equipment see the political subdivision Code of Ordinances for adoption by reference IC 36-7-9 unsafe structures.**

(101) Amend Section 115 by deleting in their entirety without substitution sections 115.1.1, 115.1.2, 115.2, 115.3, 115.4, 115.5, 115.6, 115.7.

#### **675 IAC 22-2.6-3 Chapter 2; Definitions**

**Authority:** [IC 22-13-2-2](#)

**Affected:** [IC 10-19-2](#); [IC 22-11-14-1](#); [IC 22-12](#); [IC 22-13](#); [IC 22-14](#); [IC 25-4](#); [IC 25-31](#); [IC 35-47.5-3-1](#); [IC 36-7-2-9](#); [IC 36-8-17-8](#)

**Sec. 3. Chapter 2 is amended as follows: (1) Amend Section 201.3 to delete the text and insert to read as follows: Where terms are not defined in this code and are defined in the Indiana Building Code (675 IAC 13), Indiana Electrical Code (675 IAC 17), Indiana Fuel Gas Code (675 IAC 25), Indiana Mechanical Code (675 IAC 18), Indiana Energy Conservation Code (675 IAC 19), or Indiana Plumbing Code (675 IAC 16), such terms shall have the meanings ascribed to them as in those codes.**

**(2) Amend section 202 as follows:**

**(a) Add the definition of ACCREDITATION BODY to read as follows:**

**ACCREDITATION BODY. A third-party organization that is independent of the grading and inspection agencies, and the lumber mills, and that initially accredits and subsequently monitors, on a continuing basis, the competency and performance or inspection agency related to carrying out specific tasks.**

**(b) Amend the definition of AGRICULTURAL BUILDING to delete the text and insert to read as follows: A building intended to be or used only for an agricultural purpose as defined in [IC 22-12-1-2](#) on the land where it is located and not used for retail trade or is a stand used for retail sales of farm produce for eight (8) or less consecutive months in a**

calendar year, per [IC 22-12-1-4 \(c\)](#).

(c) Amend the definition of APPROVED to delete the text and insert to read as follows: APPROVED means acceptance by the authority having jurisdiction by one (1) of the following methods:

- (i) Investigation or tests conducted by nationally recognized authorities; or
- (ii) Investigation or tests conducted by nationally recognized technical or scientific organizations; or
- (iii) Nationally accepted principles.

The investigation, tests, or principles shall establish that the methods, material, equipment, design, or type of construction is safe for its intended purpose.

(d) Add the definition of ASME A17.1 to read as follows: ASME A17.1. See the Safety Code for Elevators, Escalators, Manlifts, and Hoists (675 IAC 21).

(e) Add the definition of ASSIGNED BARN to read as follows: ASSIGNED BARN. A structure where an equine owner has been allocated space for their equine and equipment.

(f) Add the definition of BED AND BREAKFAST ESTABLISHMENT to read as follows: Bed and Breakfast Establishment has a definition as defined in [IC 16-41-31-1](#).

(g) Amend the definition of BOARDING HOUSE to delete “single-family unit” and insert “Class 2 structure”.

(h) Add the definition of BUILDING CODE to read as follows: Indiana Building Code (675 IAC 13).

(i) Amend the definition of BUILDING OFFICIAL to delete the text and insert to read as follows: Means the department, the local building officials as authorized under [IC 36-7-2-9](#) and the local Fire Officials as authorized under [IC 36-8-17-8](#).

(j) Add the definition of BUNKHOUSE as follows: Bunkhouse means a building or structure: (1) under 1,500 square feet; (2) that is intended to be occupied or used by not more than twelve occupants; (3) that includes at least one bathroom that may be supplied by a well. However, due to the location of the building or structure, access to a public water supply is not readily available; (4) that does not include a kitchen or fireplace; and (5) where the occupants are primarily transient in nature.

(k) Amend the definition of CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY by inserting to read as follows: See Section 102.3 of this rule.

(l) Add the definition of CLASS 1 STRUCTURE to read as follows: CLASS 1 STRUCTURE. See [IC 22-12-1-4](#).

(m) Add the definition of **CODE OFFICIAL** to read as follows: Code Official means the Indiana Department of Homeland Security, the local building official as authorized under [IC 36-7-2](#), or the local fire department as authorized under [IC 36-8-17](#).

(n) Add the definition of **CONCESSIONAIRE** to read as follows: **CONCESSIONAIRE**. Means a business or person that has been granted permission by the equestrian facility management to operate a concession(s) or kitchen selling food and drink.

(o) Add the definition of **CONSTRUCTION** to read as follows: **CONSTRUCTION**. As defined in [IC 22-12-1-7](#).

(p) Amend the definition of **CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS** to delete the text and insert as follows: Written, graphic and pictorial documents prepared or assembled for describing the design, location and physical characteristics of the elements of a project necessary for obtaining a design release under 675 IAC 12 or a local building permit.

(q) Add the definition of **DESIGN FLOOD ELEVATION** by inserting to read as follows: **DESIGN FLOOD ELEVATION**. The design flood elevation shall be flood protection grade as defined in 312 IAC 10-2-23.

(r) Add the definition of **ELECTRICAL CODE** to read as follows: **ELECTRICAL CODE**. See Indiana Electrical Code (675 IAC 17).

(s) Add the definition of **EQUESTRIAN FACILITY** to read as follows: **EQUESTRIAN FACILITY**. Equestrian facility is a Class 1 structure that provides housing and care for ten (10) or more equines.

(t) Add the definition of **FACILITY SECURITY** to read as follows: **FACILITY SECURITY**. A person(s) employed by the equestrian facility management to protect property and ensure passage of authorized personnel into areas that may be restricted to the public.

(u) Amend the definition of **FIRE APPARATUS ROAD** by deleting the text and inserting to read as follows: A road that provides not only fire apparatus access from the fire station for the servicing fire department, but provides access for any local or state law enforcement agency, for any servicing emergency medical agency and for any local or state emergency response agency to a facility, building or structure or portion thereof. This is a general term inclusive of all other terms such as fire lane, public street, private street, also public or private lot and lane access roadway.

(v) Add the definition of **FIRE CODE** to read as follows: **FIRE CODE**. See the Indiana Fire Code (675 IAC 22).

(w) Amend the definition of **FIRE CODE OFFICIAL** by deleting the text and inserting to read as follows: Means the department, the local fire officials authorized under [IC 36-8-17-8](#) and the local building officials as authorized under [IC 36-7-2-9](#).

(x) Add the definition of **FIRE DEPARTMENT** to read as follows: See **CODE OFFICIAL**.

(y) Add the definition of **FORAGE** to read as follows: **FORAGE**. Forage is the edible parts of plants that are a primary component of an equine diet for proper health. Types of forage may include pasture grass, grass hay, legume hay, and hay cubes or hay pellets.

(z) Add the definition of **HALTER** to read as follows: **HALTER**. Means a piece of tack that fits around an equine's head and is designed to help catch, hold, lead, and tie equines.

(aa) Add the definition of **HORSE PADDOCK** to read as follows: **HORSE PADDOCK**. Means an enclosed area used to hold equine in a controlled environment when outside the livery stable.

(bb) Add the definition of **HORSE TRAINER** to read as follows: **HORSE TRAINER**. Means a person responsible for the education, conditioning, and development of equines in various equine disciplines.

(cc) Add the definition of **ICC/ANSI A117.1** to read as follows: **ICC/ANSI A117.1**. See Chapter 11 of the Indiana Building Code.

(dd) Add the definition of **INDIANA BUILDING CODE** to read as follows: **INDIANA BUILDING CODE**. Indiana Building Code means the Indiana Building Code (675 IAC 13) in effect in Indiana at the time of construction in accordance with 675 IAC 12-4-7.

(ee) Add the definition of **INDIANA ELECTRICAL CODE** to read as follows: **INDIANA ELECTRICAL CODE**. Indiana Electrical Code means the Indiana Electrical Code (675 IAC 17) in effect in Indiana at the time of construction in accordance with 675 IAC 12-4-7.

(ff) Add the definition of **INDIANA ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE** to read as follows: **Indiana Energy Conservation Code** means the Indiana Energy Conservation Code (675 IAC 19) in effect in Indiana at the time of construction and in accordance with 675 IAC 12-4-7.

(gg) Add the definition of **INDIANA FIRE CODE** to read as follows: **Indiana Fire Code** means the Indiana Fire Code (675 IAC 22) in effect in Indiana at the time of inspection by the authority having jurisdiction or, with respect to construction, in accordance with 675 IAC 12-4-7.

(hh) Add the definition of **INDIANA FUEL GAS CODE** to read as follows: **INDIANA FUEL GAS CODE.** Indiana Fuel Gas Code means the Indiana Fuel Gas Code (675 IAC 25) in effect in Indiana at the time of construction in accordance with 675 IAC 12-4-7.

(ii) Add the definition of **INDIANA MECHANICAL CODE** to read as follows: **INDIANA MECHANICAL CODE.** Indiana Mechanical Code means the Indiana Mechanical Code (675 IAC 18) in effect in Indiana at the time of construction in accordance with 675 IAC 12-4-7.

(jj) Add the definition of **INDIANA PLUMBING CODE** to read as follows: **INDIANA PLUMBING CODE.** Indiana Plumbing Code means the Indiana Plumbing Code (675 IAC 16) in effect in Indiana at the time of construction in accordance with 675 IAC 12-4-7.

(kk) Add the definition of **LIVERY STABLE** to read as follows: **LIVERY STABLE.** A structure where equine owners pay a fee to an equestrian facility for the housing, care, and management of their equines.

(ll) Add the definition of **MECHANICAL HOTWALKER** to read as follows: **MECHANICAL HOTWALKER.** An electronic device that automatically walks an equine(s) to allow them to warm up for a performance and to cool down properly after a hard exercise.

(mm) Delete the text in the definition of **REGISTERED DESIGN PROFESSIONAL** and insert to read as follows: **REGISTERED DESIGN PROFESSIONAL** means an architect who is registered under [IC 25-4](#) or professional engineer who is registered under [IC 25-31](#). If a registered design professional is not required by 675 IAC 12-6 or 675 IAC 15, then it means the owner.

(nn) Add the definition of **STABLE** to read as follows: **STABLE.** Means a structure used to house and care for equines.

(oo) Add the definition of **TACK** to read as follows: **TACK.** Refers to any and all equipment, leather or not, that is used with equines.

(pp) Add the definition of **TACK ROOM** to read as follows: **TACK ROOM.** Refers to a storage area found in a livery stable where tack and saddlery are kept.

(qq) Amend the definition of **TOWNHOUSE** by deleting the text and inserting to read as follows: See [Indiana Code 22-12-1-5](#).

(rr) Delete the definition of **TOWNHOUSE UNIT** in its entirety without substitution.

(ss) Add the definition of **VENDOR** to read as follows: **VENDOR**. Means a business or person that has been granted permission by the equestrian facility management to operate a stand or kiosk selling equine supplies.

(3) Amend Section 203.11 Miscellaneous Group U, by deleting the text and inserting to read as follows: Group U Occupancies shall include buildings or structures, or portions thereof, and shall be classified as follows:

Private garages

Carports

Sheds

Tanks

Towers

And agricultural buildings that are Class 1 structures.

675 IAC 22-2.6-4 Chapter 3; general requirements

Authority: [IC 22-13-2-2](#); [IC 22-13-2-13](#)

Affected: [IC 22-12](#); [IC 22-13](#); [IC 22-14](#); [IC 22-15](#); [IC 36-7](#)

Sec. 4. Chapter 3 is amended as follows:

(1) Amend Section 301.2, Permits, to read: “See Section 105 of this code.”

(2) Amend Section 302 Definitions by adding the following terms to the list: *Assigned Barn, Concessionaire, Equestrian Facility, Facility Security, Halter, Horse Paddock, Horse Trainer, Livery Stable, Mechanical Hotwalker, Stable, Tack, Tack Room, and Vendor.*

(3) Amend Section 303.5, Fire extinguishers, to insert, after “portable” and before “fire”, the following: dry chemical, in the first sentence. And insert after “portable” and before “fire” the following: dry chemical, in the last sentence.

(4) Amend section 304.1.1, Valet Trash, to delete the text and insert to read as follows: “Valet trash collection shall be permitted in accordance with the provisions of Section 304.4 of this code.”

(5) Amend Section 304.1.3, Vegetation, to delete the last sentence in its entirety without substitution.

(6) Amend Section 304.2, Storage, to delete the text and insert to read as follows: Storage of combustible rubbish shall not produce conditions that will create a hazard to the public health, safety, or welfare.

(7) Amend Section 304 to add Section 304.4, that read as follows:

**304.4 Valet Trash. Valet trash collection in Group R-2 occupancies shall comply with this section**

**304.4.1 Containers. Containers used for valet trash collection shall comply with Sections 304.4.1.1 through 304.4.1.4.**

**304.4.1.1 Integrity. Valet trash or recycling materials shall be stored in containers that are of liquid-tight construction and equipped with lids. Lids shall be in the fully closed position.**

**304.4.1.2 Height. Containers shall not exceed 30 inches (762 mm) in height.**

**304.4.1.3 Capacity and limit. Individual containers shall not exceed 2.0 cubic feet (15 gallons; 56.8 L) in capacity. Only one trash or recycling container per dwelling unit or sleeping unit shall be permitted to be placed outside the dwelling unit or sleeping unit at one time. Trash and recycling containers shall not be placed outside a dwelling unit or sleeping unit at the same time.**

**304.4.1.4 Construction materials. Containers and lids used for valet trash collections shall be constructed entirely of noncombustible materials or of materials that meet a peak rate of heat release not exceeding 300 kW/m<sup>2</sup> when tested in accordance with ASTM E1354 at an incident heat flux of 50 kW/m<sup>2</sup> in the horizontal orientation. Containers shall not be required to comply with 304.4.1.4 for the following:**

- (1) Containers in sprinklered corridors or egress balconies in buildings provided with a sprinkler system complying with this code.**
- (2) Containers on egress balconies in buildings with noncombustible or limited combustible exteriors.**

**304.4.2 Placement of containers. Placement of containers used for valet trash collection outside a dwelling unit or sleeping unit shall comply with Sections 304.4.2.1 through 304.4.2.2.**

**304.4.2.1 Minimum means of egress width. Containers used for valet trash collection shall not obstruct the minimum required egress width**

**304.4.2.2 Stairways. Containers used for valet trash collection shall not be placed on stair risers, within minimum required**

stairway landing dimensions or anywhere in an interior exit stairway.

**304.4.3 Time limits.** Filled containers used for valet trash or recycling services shall not be placed outside a dwelling unit for more than 6 hours within any 24-hour period. Empty approved containers used for valet trash or recycling services shall not remain in a corridor for more than 12 continuous hours in a 24-hour period.

**304.4.4 Collection rules.** The property owner or manager shall have written valet service rules, hours and penalties provided to all tenants and occupants. The property owner or manager shall be responsible for implementing, monitoring, and enforcing all valet trash collection rules. A copy of the rules shall be provided to the fire code official upon request.

**304.4.5 Suspension of service.** The fire code official has the authority to order the suspension of valet trash collection that is not in compliance with this Section.

**(8) Amend Section 307.1.1, Prohibited open burning, to delete the title and text and insert to read as follows: Discontinuance of open burning.** The fire chief is authorized to require *open burning* be immediately discontinued if such open burning constitutes a hazardous condition.

**(9) Amend Section 307.2, Permit required, to delete the title and text and insert to read as follows: Notification.** Prior to commencement of *open burning*, the servicing fire department shall be notified.

**(10) Amend Section 307.2.1, Authorization, to delete the title and text and insert to read as follows: Material restrictions.** *Open burning of rubbish* is prohibited.

**(11) Delete Section 307.3, Extinguishment authority, in its entirety without substitution.**

**(12) Amend Section 308.1.3, Torches for removing paint, as follows:**

**(a) In the first sentence, insert after “the” and before “water”, the following: operable.**

**(b) After the last sentence insert to read as follows: Prior to using a torch or flame-producing device to remove paint from a structure, the servicing fire department shall be notified.**

(13) Amend Section 308.1.5, Open-flame devices in wildlife risk areas, to delete the text after “areas” and insert to read as follows: except when *approved*.

(14) Amend Section 308.2, Permits required, as follows:

(a) Delete the section heading “Permits required” and insert to read as follows: Notification required.

(b) Delete the text “permits shall be obtained from the *fire code official* in accordance with Section 105.5” and insert to read as follows: The servicing fire department shall be notified.

(15) Delete Section 311.1.1, Abandoned premises, in its entirety without substitution.

(16) Amend Section 311.2.2, Fire protection, as follows:

(a) In Exception 1 insert, at the end of the Exception, to read as follows: The premises shall be identified in accordance with Section 901.7.2 and 901.7.3.

(b) In Exception 2 insert, at the end of the Exception, to read as follows: The premises shall be identified in accordance with Section 901.7.2 and 901.7.3.

(c) In Exception 3 insert, at the end of the Exception, to read as follows: The premises shall be identified in accordance with Section 901.7.2 and 901.7.3.

(17) Amend Section 311.5, Placards, to delete the text and insert to read as follows: Any vacant or abandoned buildings or structures determined to be unsafe shall be marked as required by local ordinance.

(18) Delete Section 311.5.1 in its entirety without substitution.

(19) Delete Section 311.5.2 in its entirety without substitution.

(20) Delete Section 311.5.3 in its entirety without substitution.

(21) Delete Section 311.5.4 in its entirety without substitution.

(22) Delete Section 311.5.5 in its entirety without substitution.

(23) Amend section 314.2, Fixtures and displays, to insert after “arranged” and before “so” the following: and secured.

**(24) Delete Section 315.2, Permit required, in its entirety without substitution.**

**(25) Amend Section 316.6.2, Outdoor storage, to delete the text in the Exception and insert to read as follows: Combustible storage, including vehicles and fuel storage for backup power equipment serving public utility equipment, is allowed, provided a plan indicating the storage configuration is granted by the owner of the easement in accordance with [IC 32-23](#) and approved.**

**(26) Delete Section 319.2.2, Occupancies, in its entirety without substitution.**

**(27) Delete Section 319.3.1, Permits required, in its entirety without substitution.**

**(28) Amend Section 319.10, Technical assistance, by deleting the text and inserting to read as follows: Where required by the code official, a report evaluating the acceptability of technologies, process, products, facilities, materials and uses associated with the operation shall be provided by a registered architect or professional engineer who is registered under [IC 25-4](#) or [IC 25-31](#).**

**(29) Amend Section 320.4.2.1, Technical opinion and report, by deleting the second sentence in its entirety and inserting to read as follows: The report shall be submitted by a design profession as defined in 675 IAC 12-6-2(d), to the fire code official, and shall be subject to their approval.**

**(30) Insert Section 323, Equestrian Facilities, to read:**

**323.1 Scope. Equestrian facilities shall be in accordance with this section.**

**323.2 Management responsibilities. Facility Management Responsibilities.**

**323.2.1. Shall have a facility fire safety plan on file which includes the following:**

- (1) Owner emergency contact(s) list for every equine being boarded at the equestrian facility.**
- (2) A completed equine identification form which includes owner's information; equine's name, sex, age, and description; equine's veterinarian information; health and vaccination information; and other identifying features.**
- (3) A fire evacuation floor plan for any equestrian facility and/or show arena. The floor plan shall identify the following: (a) exits; (b) primary and secondary evacuation routes; (c) areas of refuge for people and equine paddock(s); (d) portable fire extinguisher locations; (e) fire protection system device, if any.**

**323.2.2. All facility personnel, equine trainers and their assistants, concessionaires, and vendors shall acquaint themselves with facility fire safety plans and evacuation plans.**

**323.2.3 Keep equestrian facilities clean and free of chaff, cobwebs and sweepings. Trash shall be deposited into noncombustible containers with lids. All trash containers shall be checked and emptied on a daily basis. All equine manure shall be removed from equine stalls on a daily basis. Each equine facility shall implement a waste management program for the storing and removal of equine manure.**

**323.3 Equine forage and bedding storage. Combustible equine forage and bedding storage shall not exceed the amount for two (2) days used by equine in the assigned barn. All other forage and bedding shall be in a separate building or outside area away from the assigned barn. Specifically, hay and straw stored inside shall be loosely packed, not to exceed 20 bales per pile and shall not exceed seven (7) feet in height.**

**Exception: Where equine assigned barns are protected by an approved automatic sprinkler system installed in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1.**

**323.4. Open flame use. Open flame use including open flame heating devices and unvented portable oil-burning heating appliances are not permitted in assigned equestrian facilities.**

**323.5. Smoking. Smoking shall not be permitted in all assigned equestrian facilities. Approved “No Smoking” signs shall be posted in conspicuous locations.**

**323.6 Fire extinguishers. Fire extinguishers shall be provided in all assigned barns or livery stables and show areas as follows:**

- (1) Fire extinguishers shall have a minimum 2A rating.**
- (2) Fire extinguishers shall be placed so that travel distance shall be not more than seventy-five (75) feet (twenty-two and eighty-six hundredths (22.86) meters) from any point within a building.**
- (3) Fire extinguishers within twenty (20) feet (six and ninety-six thousandths (6.096) meters) of electrical control boxes shall have a Class C rating.**

**(31) Insert Section 324 to read as follows: SECTION 324 HAUNTED HOUSES AND SIMILAR INSTALLATIONS. This section applies to haunted houses and similar installations legally in existence at the adoption of this code. Any interior within a structure not designed for this specific use shall comply with the following and all other applicable rules:**

- a) In any facility using the maze concept, there shall be no dead-end corridors and there shall be an obvious exit out of the maze for every fifty (50) feet (fifteen and twenty-four hundredths (15.24) meters) of linear travel. All stairways shall be illuminated at a level of at least one (1) foot-candle (eleven (11) lux).
- b) A group shall consist of twenty (20) individuals or fewer. Each group shall be accompanied or supervised by a staff person who is eighteen (18) years of age or older. This staff person shall have in his or her possession an operable flashlight and shall be completely familiar with the facility.
- c) There shall be no smoking allowed at any time by anyone inside the building.
- d) All electrical installations shall meet 675 IAC 17, the Indiana Electrical Code.
- e) The servicing fire department shall be contacted at least three (3) working days prior to the placing of the facility in operation for an inspection and planning of evacuation procedures. A sketch of the floor plan shall be provided to the servicing fire department to facilitate these procedures.
- f) The total number of occupants in the facility at any time shall be limited to the number allowed by the total exits from the installation, as determined by the Indiana Building Code (675 IAC 13) in effect at the time of construction of the building, building system, or alterations.
- g) Fire extinguishers shall be distributed throughout the building so that no more than seventy-five (75) feet (twenty-two and eighty-six hundredths (22.86) meters) must be traversed to each fire extinguisher.
- h) There shall be no open flame devices or temporary heaters used in the building.
- i) Automatic smoke detectors shall be installed in accordance with NFPA 72 (675 IAC 22-2.2). All smoke detectors shall be interconnected so that when one is activated, all are activated. When activated, the alarm shall be loud enough to be heard over all other sounds or the activation shall automatically shut down all sound devices within the facility.
- j) All areas of a maze shall be at least three (3) feet (ninety-one and four-tenths (91.4) centimeters) wide and five (5) feet (one and five hundred twenty-four thousandths (1.524) meters) high, except that a section not exceeding four (4) feet (one and twenty-two hundredths (1.22) meters) in length may be two (2) feet (sixty and ninety-six hundredths (60.96) centimeters) high and two (2) feet (sixty and ninety-six hundredths (60.96) centimeters) wide. There shall not be more than one (1) such four (4) foot (one and twenty-two hundredths (1.22) meter) section in every fifty (50) linear feet (fifteen and twenty-four hundredths (15.24) meters).

- k) All material used in all display areas of a haunted house and all material used in the construction of a maze shall be inherently flame-resistant or made so by treatment with a flame retardant. All substances used to make materials flame-resistant shall be applied in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, and the containers and proof of purchase of the substances shall be retained for inspection by the code official.

**675 IAC 22-2.6-5 Chapter 4; Emergency Planning and Preparedness**

Authority: [IC 22-13-2-2](#); [IC 22-13-2-13](#)

Affected: [IC 22-12](#); [IC 22-13](#); [IC 22-14](#); [IC 22-15](#); [IC 36-7](#)

Sec. 5. Chapter 4 is amended as follows: (1) Add a new Section 403.11.4 to read as follows: 403.11.4 Overcrowding. Overcrowding and admittance of persons beyond the approved occupant load are prohibited. The code official upon finding:

(1) Overcrowding conditions or obstructions in aisles, corridors, or other means of egress; or

(2) A condition that constitutes a serious menace to life; is authorized to cause all activities in the room or space to cease until such conditions are corrected. The code official is also authorized to order the evacuation of the space or building, if necessary, to eliminate the condition.

**675 IAC 22-2.6-6 Chapter 5; fire services features**

Authority: [IC 22-13-2-2](#); [IC 22-13-2-13](#)

Affected: [IC 22-12](#); [IC 22-13](#); [IC 22-14](#); [IC 22-15](#); [IC 36-7](#)

Sec. 6. Chapter 5 is amended as follows: (1) Amend Section 503.1.1, Buildings and facilities, by deleting the existing exceptions and inserting to read as follows: Exception: Buildings protected throughout by a supervised automatic fire sprinkler systems and not used for high-piled combustible storage in excess of twelve thousand (12,000) square feet.

(2) Insert new Section 503.1.4 Exterior storage of finished lumber and solid biofuels products, to read as follows: 503.1.4 Exterior storage of finished lumber and solid biofuels products. Fire department vehicle access roads, see Section 2809.

(3) Amend Section 503.2.8, Angles of approach and departure, to delete the title and text and insert to read as follows: 503.2.8 Angles of approach, breakover and departure. Angles of approach, breakover, and departure for the fire apparatus access road shall be within the navigable limits of the most restrictive piece of apparatus available to the serving fire department.

(4) Amend Section 503.4.1, Traffic calming devices, to delete the text and insert to read as follows: Traffic calming devices installed on fire department access roads shall comply with Section 503.2.

**(5) Amend Section 505, Premises identification, as follows:**

**(a) Delete the title and text of Section 505.1 and insert to read as follows: 505.1. Address identifications local unit of governments requirements. Class 1 structures and tenant spaces shall be identified by an address in accordance with the local unit of governments planning and zoning address identification requirements.**

**(b) Delete the title and text of Section 505.2 and insert to read as follows: 505.2 Address identification – no local unit of government requirements. Where there are no local unit of government planning and zoning requirements for premises identification the following address shall be applicable.**

**(c) Insert a new Section, 505.2.1 to read as follows: 505.2.1 Address identification. New and existing Class 1 structures, and tenant spaces, shall have approved address numbers, placed in a position that is legible and visible from the street or road frontage fronting the property.**

**1. The address numbers shall be installed having a contrasting background.**

**2. Address numbers shall be Arabic numbers and alphabetical letters. Arabic numbers shall not be spelled out.**

**3. The minimum size of Arabic numbers and alphabetical letters shall be in accordance with Table 505.2.1.**

**4. Where access is by means if a private road and the Class 1 structure or tenant space cannot be viewed from the public way, a monument, pole or other sign or means shall be used to identify the location of the Class 1 structure.**

**(d) Insert Table 505.2.1, Address identification, as follows:**

| Distance Setback from Street to Building |         |           | Minimum Arabic Number and Alphabetical Font Size |                |  |
|--|---------|-----------|--|----------------|--|
| From:                                    | To:     | Height    | Width  | Stroke of Line | Placement on Building (Maximum Height) |
| 11 Feet                                  | 25 Feet | 6 Inches  | 2.25 Inches                                      | .5 Inch        | 10 Feet                                |
| 26 Feet                                  | 35 Feet | 7 Inches  | 2.5 Inches                                       | .5 Inch        | 12 Feet                                |
| 36 Feet                                  | 45 Feet | 10 Inches | 3 Inches   | .625 Inch      | 14 Feet                                |
| 46 Feet                                  | 55 Feet | 10 Inches | 3.5 Inches                                       | .75 Inch       | 16 Feet                                |
| 56 Feet                                  | 65 Feet | 10 Inches | 4 Inches   | .75 Inch       | 18 Feet                                |
| 66 Feet                                  | 75 Feet | 10 Inches | 4.5 Inches                                       | .875 Inch      | 20 Feet                                |
| 76 Feet                                  | 85 Feet | 12 Inches | 5 Inches   | 1.0 Inch       | 22 Feet                                |
| 86 Feet                                  | 95 Feet | 12 Inches | 5.5 Inches                                       | 1.125 Inch     | 24 Feet                                |
| 96 Feet                                  | Or More | 12 Inches | 6 Inches   | 1.125 Inch     | 26 Feet                                |

**(e) Insert a new Section 505.2.2 to read as follows: 505.2.2 Address identification complex with multiple Class 1 Structures. Where multiple Class 1 structures have address**

identification that is not visible from the public way, a monument, pole or other approved sign shall have address identification posted at each individual Class 1 structure providing the address range for said Class 1 structure which is visible from the fire apparatus access road.

(6) Amend Section 506.1, Where required, by deleting the last sentence and inserting to read as follows: The key box shall be compatible with the fire department's key box system and shall contain keys to gain necessary access as required by the fire code official.

(7) Amend Section 510.1, Emergency responder communications enhancement systems in new buildings, as follows:

(a) Delete the text and insert to read as follows: Approved in-building emergency responder communications enhancement system (ERCES) for emergency responders where provided in all new buildings where radio performance drops below -95 dBm inside of a building. The building shall be considered to have acceptable emergency responder radio coverage when signal strength measurements in 95 percent of all areas on each floor of the building meet the minimum signal strength requirement. In-building ERCES within the building shall be based on the existing coverage levels of the public safety communications systems utilized by the jurisdiction, measured at the exterior of the building. The ERCES, where provided, shall be compatible with the existing public safety communications systems in use at the time of construction. This section shall not require improvement of the existing public safety communications systems.

(b) Add a 5<sup>th</sup> Exception that reads as follows: 5. ERCES equipment within dwelling units of R-2, R-3, and R-4.

(c) Delete Section 510.2, Emergency responder communications enhancement system in existing buildings, in its entirety without substitution.

(d) Delete Section 510.3, Permits, in its entirety without substitution.

(j) Amend Section 510.4, Technical requirements, by adding, after "510.4.2.8", to read as follows: and shall be in accordance with 47 CFR 90.219 and the current edition of NFPA 1221 and NFPA 1225.

(k) Amend Section 510.4.1, Emergency responder communications enhancement system signal strength, by deleting the text and inserting to read as follows: The building shall be considered to have an acceptable in-building emergency responder communications enhancement system where signal strength measurements in 95 percent of all areas on each floor of the building meet the signal strength requirement in Section 510.1.

(l) Delete Section 510.4.1.1, Minimum signal strength into the building, in its entirety without substitution.

(m) Amend Section 510.4.1.2, Minimum signal strength out of the building, by deleting the section number and inserting to read as follows: 510.4.1.1 Minimum signal strength out of the building.

(n) Amend Section 510.4.1.3, System performance, by deleting the section number and inserting to read as follows: 510.4.1.2 System performance.

**675 IAC 22-2.6-7 Chapter 9; fire protection and life safety systems**

Authority: [IC 22-13-2-2](#); [IC 22-13-2-13](#)

Affected: [IC 22-12](#); [IC 22-13](#); [IC 22-14](#); [IC 22-15](#); [IC 36-7](#)

Sec. 7 (1) Amend Section 903.2.8 by adding an exception that reads: “In a fire or ambulance station, an automatic sprinkler system may be provided throughout the Group R fire area when separated from the remainder of the building in accordance with Section 508.4 and the NS column of Table 508.4.”

(2) Amend Section 903.3.1.1.1 by deleting the text in (4) and inserting to read as follows: Elevator equipment rooms and hoistways used exclusively for the operation of elevators and that are separated from the remainder of the building in accordance with Section 713 of the Indiana Building Code. Penetrations between machine rooms and hoistways necessary for the safe operation of an elevator, and vents required by Section 3004 of this code need not be fire-rated.

(3) Delete Section 905.12, Existing buildings, in its entirety without substitution.

(4) Delete the text of Section 906.1 and insert the following: “Portable fire extinguishers shall be installed where required by Table 906.1.

(5) Amend Table 906.1, Additional required portable fire extinguishers, by adding after 309.4 Powered industrial trucks and before 1204.10 Portable generators, the following; 323.6 Equestrian facilities.

(6) Amend the exceptions in Section 907.2.1.1 to read as follows:

Exceptions: 1. Where approved, the prerecorded announcement is allowed to be manually deactivated for a period of time, not to exceed 3 minutes, for the sole purpose of allowing a live voice announcement from an approved, constantly attended location.

2. Stadiums, arenas, and grandstands are permitted to use a public address system that complies with the following:

**2.1 Occupant notification, either live or recorded, shall be initiated at a constantly attended receiving station by personnel trained to respond to an emergency.**

**2.2 An approved secondary power supply shall be provided.**

**2.3 The system shall be audible above the expected ambient noise level.**

**2.4 Emergency announcements shall take precedence over any other use.**

**3. Visible signals for stadiums, arenas, and grandstands shall not be required in the assembly seating area, or the floor area used for the contest, performance, or entertainment, where the occupant load exceeds 1000, and an approved, alternative visible means of occupant notification is provided.**

**(7) Amend Section 907.2.3 by deleting “that initiates the occupant notifications signal utilizing an emergency voice/alarm communication system meeting the requirements of Section 907.5.2.2 and installed in accordance with Section 907.6.” without substitution.**

**(8) Amend Section 907.2.3 by deleting exception 4.2, in its entirety, without substitution.**

**675 IAC 22-2.6-8 Chapter 11; construction requirements for existing buildings**

**Authority:** [IC 22-13-2-2](#); [IC 22-13-2-13](#)

**Affected:** [IC 22-12](#); [IC 22-13](#); [IC 22-14](#); [IC 22-15](#); [IC 36-7](#)

**Sec. 8. Chapter 11 is amended as follows:**

**(1) Delete Section 1103, Fire safety requirement for existing buildings, in its entirety without substitution.**

**675 IAC 22-2.6-9 Chapter 32; High-piled combustible storage**

**Authority:** [IC 22-13-2-2](#); [IC 22-13-2-13](#)

**Affected:** [IC 22-12](#); [IC 22-13](#); [IC 22-14](#); [IC 22-15](#); [IC 36-7](#)

**Sec. 9. Chapter 32 is amended as follows: (a) Amend Section 3206.7.5, Number of doors required, by deleting the text in the Exception and inserting to read as follows: In buildings having ESFR sprinkler systems, a minimum of one (1) access door shall be provided in each two hundred twenty-five (225) lineal feet (sixty-eight thousand five hundred eighty (68,580 mm), or fraction thereof of the exterior walls which face the**

required fire apparatus access road. Spacing between doors shall not exceed two hundred twenty-five (225) lineal feet.

(a) Add subsection 3206.9.1, **Hose Connections at Access Doors**. Hose connections for fire department use shall be located in accordance with NFPA requirements, or at fire department access doors provided they are supplied from sprinkler systems adjacent to the area where they are located or an independent system. Hose valves and piping shall be 2½ inches in size.

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**675 IAC 22-2.6-10 Chapter 41; Temporary heating and cooking operations**

Authority: [IC 22-13-2-2](#); [IC 22-13-2-13](#)

Affected: [IC 22-12](#); [IC 22-13](#); [IC 22-14](#); [IC 22-15](#); [IC 36-7](#)

Sec. 10. Chapter 41 is amended as follows: (a) Amend Section 4104.2 Open-flame cooking devices, as follows:

- (1) In the first paragraph, delete the word “operated” and insert “located” in its place.
- (2) Delete the third exception in its entirety without substitution.

**675 IAC 22-2.6-11 Chapter 80; Referenced standards**

Authority: [IC 22-13-2-2](#); [IC 22-13-2-13](#)

Affected: [IC 22-12](#); [IC 22-13](#); [IC 22-14](#); [IC 22-15](#); [IC 36-7](#)

Sec. 11. Chapter 80 is amended as follows:

- (1) Under ASME, at the end of A17.1-2022/CSA B44—22: Safety Code for Elevators and Escalators, add the following: See 675 IAC 21.
- (2) Under ASME, at the end of A17.3-2023: Safety Coide for Existing Elevators and Escalators, add the following: See 675 IAC 21.
- (3) Under ASME, at the end of A18.1-2023: Safety Standard for Platform Lifts and Stairway Chairlifts, add the following: See 675 IAC 21.
- (4) Under ICC, delete “ICC A117.1-17” and add the following: ICC A117.1-09
- (5) Under ICC, after IECC-24: International Energy Conservation Code, add the following: Not applicable. See 675 IAC 19.

- (6) Under ICC, after IBC-24 : International Building Code, add the following: See 675 IAC 22.7.
- (7) Under ICC, after IFGC-24: International Fuel Gas Code, add the following: See 675 IAC 25.
- (8) Under ICC, after IMC-24: International Mechanical Code, add the following:  
See 675 IAC 18.
- (9) Under ICC, delete “IPC-24: International Plumbing Code,” and insert the following: IPC-06: International Plumbing Code. See 675 IAC 16.
- (10) Under ICC, delete “IRC-24: International Residential Code,” and insert the following: IRC-18: International Residential Code. See 675 IAC 14.
- (11) Under NFPA, after 70-23: National Electric Code, add the following: See 675 IAC 17.

**675 IAC 22-2.6-12 Appendices**

Authority: [IC 22-13-2-2](#); [IC 22-13-2-13](#)

Affected: [IC 22-12](#); [IC 22-13](#); [IC 22-14](#); [IC 22-15](#); [IC 36-7](#)

**Sec. 12. Appendices amended as follows:**

- (1) Delete Appendix A, Board of Appeals.
- (2) Delete Appendix B, Fire-Flow Requirements for Buildings.
- (3) Delete Appendix C, Fire Hydrant Locations and Distribution.
- (4) Delete Appendix D, Fire Apparatus Access Roads.
- (5) Delete Appendix E, Hazard Categories.
- (6) Delete Appendix F, Hazard Ranking.
- (7) Delete Appendix G, Cryogenic Fluids – Weights and Volume Equivalents.
- (8) Delete Appendix H, Hazardous Materials Management Plan (HMMP) and Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement (HMIS) Instructions.
- (9) Delete Appendix I, Fire Protection Systems – Noncompliant Conditions.
- (10) Delete Appendix J, Building Information Sign.
- (11) Delete Appendix K, Construction Requirements for Existing Ambulatory Care Facilities.
- (12) Delete Appendix L, Requirements for Firefighter Air Replenishment Systems.
- (13) Delete Appendix M, High-Risk Buildings – Retroactive Automatic Sprinkler Requirements.
- (14) Delete Appendix N, Indoor Trade Shows and Exhibitions.
- (15) Delete Appendix O, Valet Trash and Recycling Collection in Group R-2 Occupancies.

SECTION 2. 675 IAC 22-2.5 IS REPEALED.