



EXHIBIT "A"

AMENDMENTS TO  
UNIFORM BUILDING CODE, 1985 EDITION

APPENDIX CHAPTER I

Division II

LIFE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR  
EXISTING HIGH-RISE BUILDINGS

SCOPE.

Sec. 120. Amend to read:

These provisions shall apply to all Group B, Division 2 Office Buildings and Group R, Division 1 Occupancies, each having roof levels (excluding parapets) located more than 75 feet above the lowest level of fire department vehicle access.

GENERAL.

Sec. 121. Amend to read:

Existing high-rise buildings as specified in Section 120 shall be modified to conform with the minimum provisions specified within this chapter.

The provisions of this chapter shall not be construed to allow the elimination of fire protection systems or a reduction in the level of fire safety provided in buildings constructed in conformance with previously adopted codes.

COMPLIANCE DATA.

Sec. 122. Delete in its entirety and insert the following:

After adoption of this chapter, the building official shall duly notify the owners whose buildings are subject to the provisions of this chapter. Upon receipt of such notice, the owner shall, subject to the following time limits, take necessary actions to comply with the provisions of this chapter.

Work on the required alterations to the building shall commence within eighteen (18) months of the date of owner notification and such work shall be completed within thirty-six (36) months from the date of owner notification. The following Specific Provisions from Sec. 125 shall apply to existing high-rise buildings defined in this Division: Items 2, 3, 4, 8, 10, 13, 14 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 24, 25, and 26.

The following specific provisions from Sec. 125, in addition to those listed above, are to be applied when additions or alterations are made to a building when as much as 25% of the square feet of the existing building is remodeled within a three-year period: Items 1, 5, 6, 7, 9, 11, and 12.

The building official shall grant necessary extensions of time when it can be shown that the specified time periods are not physically practical or pose an undue hardship. The granting of an extension of time for compliance shall be based upon the showing of good cause and subject to the filing of an acceptable systematic progressive plan of correction with the building official.

**AUTHORITY OF THE BUILDING OFFICIAL.**

**Sec. 123.** Amend to read:

- B. Waive specific individual requirements if it can be shown that such requirements are not physically possible or practical and that a practical alternative cannot be provided when approved by the Board of Building Standards.

**APPEALS BOARD.**

**Sec. 124.** Approved as written.

**SPECIFIC PROVISIONS AND ALTERNATES.**

**Sec. 125 (a).**

Items 1 through 8. Approved as written.

Item 9. Automatic Elevator Recall System. Amend to read:

Elevators shall be equipped with a recall system as approved by the Board of Building Standards.

Item 10. Unlocked Stairway Doors.

Add "or" after the word location in Item A.

Item 11 through 15. Approved as written.

Item 16. Exit Corridor Openings. Delete in its entirety and insert the following:

Openings in corridor walls and ceilings shall be protected by not less than 1-3/8-inch solid-bonded wood-core doors, approved 1/4-inch-thick wired glass, 1/4-inch-thick tempered glass, 1/4-inch-thick laminated glass, approved fire dampers conforming to U.B.C. Standard No. 43-7, or by equivalent protection in lieu of any of these items. Transoms shall be fixed closed and covered with 1/2-inch Type X gypsum wallboard or equivalent material installed on both sides of the opening or constructed of approved glass (1/4-inch-thick wired glass, 1/4-inch-thick tempered glass, or 1/4-inch-thick laminated glass) as described for the above exit corridor openings.

Items 17 through 23. Approved as written.

Items 24, 25, and 26. No action taken.

**Sec. 125 (b). Sprinkler Alternatives.** Approved as written.

**Delete Table A-1-A.**

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