

In (a), substituted references to 1999 for references to 1996 throughout, substituted a reference to One Batterymarch Park for a reference to Batterymarch Park in 1i, and inserted 2i; and in (b), inserted 1ii, inserted a new 3, recodified former 3 and 4 as 4 and 5, substituted a reference to line four for a reference to line three and substituted a reference to line six for a reference to line five in the new 4i, and substituted a reference to section 500-5(a)(4) for a reference to section 500-3(a)4 in the new 5i.

Amended by R.2003 d.187, effective May 5, 2003.

See: 34 N.J.R. 4248(a), 35 N.J.R. 1939(c).

Rewrote the section.

Case Notes

Former N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.6 designated "National Electrical code of 1975" as controlling code; statute of limitations. *Brown v. Jersey Central Power and Light Co.*, 163 N.J.Super. 179 394 A.2d 397 (App. Div.1978) certification denied 79 N.J. 489 401 A.2d 244.

5:23-3.17 Fire protection subcode

(a) Rules concerning the subcode adopted area as follows:

1. Pursuant to the authority of P.L. 1975, c.217 as modified by P.L. 1996, c.53, the Commissioner hereby adopts the following portions of the building, electrical, mechanical and fuel gas subcodes, to the extent delineated in N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.4, as the fire protection subcode for New Jersey.

i. BOCA National Building Code/1996 of the Building Officials and Code Administrators International Inc. (N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.14):

- (1) Chapter 3 entitled, "Use or Occupancy"
- (2) Chapter 4—Special Use and Occupancy;
- (3) Chapter 7—Fire resistant Materials and Construction;
- (4) Chapter 8—Interior Finishes;
- (5) Chapter 9 Fire Protection Systems. Add the following to section 906.8: Hydraulic system data plates shall conform to N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.5(d);
- (6) Chapter 10—Means of Egress;
- (7) Sections 2113.0 through 2117.0 of Chapter 21—Masonry;
- (8) Sections 2603.0 through 2605.0 of Chapter 26—Plastic;
- (9) Section 3106.0 of Chapter 31—Special Construction;
- (10) Section 3305.0 of Chapter 33—Site Work, Demolition and Construction;
- (11) Section 3406.0 of Chapter 34—Existing Structures.

ii. National Electrical Code/1999 of the National Fire Protection Association (N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.16).

(1) Section 300-21 of Chapter 3—Wiring Methods and Materials;

(2) Article 450, Part C—Transformer Vaults of Chapter 4—Equipment for General Use;

(3) Chapter 5—Special Occupancies;

(4) Article 695—Fire Pumps of Chapter 6—Special Equipment;

(5) Article 760—Fire Alarm Systems of Chapter 7—Special Conditions;

iii. International Mechanical Code/2000 of the International Code Council (N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.20):

(1) Chapter 3—General Regulations;

(2) Chapter 5—Exhaust Systems;

(3) Chapter 6—Duct Systems;

(4) Chapter 7—Combustion Air;

(5) Chapter 8—Chimneys and Vents;

(6) Chapter 9—Specific Appliances, Fireplaces and Solid Fuel Burning Equipment;

(7) Chapter 13—Fuel Oil Piping and Storage;

iv. International Fuel Gas Code/2000 of the International Code Council (N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.22):

(1) Chapter 3—General Regulations;

(2) Chapter 5—Chimneys and Vans;

(3) Chapter 6—Specific Appliances.

2. The model code portions listed above may be known as "the fire protection subcode."

(b) Rules concerning modifications to subcodes are as follows:

1. The modifications made to the appropriate portion of the adopted model code in N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.14 (Building Subcode), N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.16 (Electrical Subcode), N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.20 (Mechanical Subcode) and N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.22 (Fuel Gas Subcode) will apply also to those portions as regards this adoption.

Amended by R.1981 d.132, effective May 7, 1981.

See: 13 N.J.R. 121(a), 13 N.J.R. 258(d).

Amended by R.1984 d.314, effective August 6, 1984.

See: 16 N.J.R. 1139(a), 16 N.J.R. 2084(b).

Section substantially amended.

Amended by R.1986 d.380, effective September 22, 1986.

See: 18 N.J.R. 1235(a), 18 N.J.R. 1931(a).

Substantially amended.

Amended by R.1987 d.374, effective September 21, 1987.

See: 19 N.J.R. 1024(a), 19 N.J.R. 1720(b).

Model subcode revisions.

Amended by R.1990 d.253, effective May 21, 1990.

See: 22 N.J.R. 909(b), 22 N.J.R. 1554(a).

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Reference to 1989 Supplement added; (a)1i(7) amended.
 Amended by R.1990 d.507, effective October 15, 1990.
 See: 22 N.J.R. 2208(a), 22 N.J.R. 3214(a).
 Text conformed to BOCA National Code/1990.
 Amended by R.1993 d.662, effective December 20, 1993.
 See: 25 N.J.R. 3891(a), 25 N.J.R. 5918(a).
 Amended by R.1998 d.332, effective July 6, 1998.
 See: 30 N.J.R. 1377(a), 30 N.J.R. 2421(b).
 Rewrote (a).
 Amended by R.2000 d.166, effective April 17, 2000.
 See: 31 N.J.R. 4151(a), 32 N.J.R. 1376(a).
 In (a)1i(5), added a second sentence.
 Amended by R.2000 d.492, effective December 18, 2000.
 See: 32 N.J.R. 3219(a), 32 N.J.R. 4437(b).
 In (a)1ii, changed "1996" to "1999".
 Amended by R.2001 d.196, effective June 18, 2001.
 See: 33 N.J.R. 6(a), 33 N.J.R. 2090(a).
 In (a)1, inserted reference to the fuel gas subcode in the introductory paragraph, rewrote iii and inserted iv; in (b)1, inserted reference to the Fuel Gas Subcode.

Case Notes

Zoning ordinance's definition of family violated Constitution. *Cherry Hill Tp. v. Oxford House, Inc.*, 263 N.J.Super. 25, 621 A.2d 952 (A.D.1993).

5:23-3.18 Energy Subcode

(a) Rules concerning the subcode adopted are as follows:

1. Pursuant to authority of P.L. 1975, c.217, as modified by P.L. 1996, c.53, the Commissioner hereby adopts the model code of the Council of American Building Officials, Inc., known as the Model Energy Code/1995, as the energy subcode for New Jersey.

i. Copies of the CABO Model Energy Code/1995 may be obtained from BOCA International, 4051 West Flossmoor Road, Country Club Hills, Illinois 60478-5795.

ii. The model code listed above may be known and cited as the "energy subcode."

(b) The following chapters and sections of the energy subcode are amended as follows:

1. The following amendments are made to Chapter 1 of the energy subcode titled "Administration and Enforcement":

i. Section 101.1 "Title" is deleted.

ii. Section 101.3 "Compliance" is amended to add the following sentence after the first bullet item: "Residential buildings provided with high efficiency equipment (90 percent AFUE for furnace 85 percent AFUE for boilers and 8.0 HSPF for air source heat pumps) shall be exempt from the requirement to insulate basement walls. Code requirements for other envelope components must meet the component performance approach requirements of Chapter 5."

iii. Subsection 101.4.3 "Application to existing buildings" is deleted.

iv. Subsections 102.1.2 and 102.1.3 are deleted.

v. Section 102.2 "Maintenance information" is deleted.

vi. Section 104 "Plans and specifications" is deleted.

vii. Section 105 "Inspection" is deleted.

viii. Section 106 "Validity" is deleted.

2. The following amendments are made to Chapter 2 of the energy subcode titled "definitions":

i. The term "building official" is deleted, and the following language is substituted: "For the purpose of the energy subcode, the term "building official" shall mean the appropriate subcode official as designated in N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.4."

ii. The term "building project" is deleted.

3. The following amendments are made to Chapter 3 of the energy subcode, titled "Design Conditions":

i. Section 302.1 is amended to read as follows: "Design conditions shall be based on the values from the 97½ percent column for winter and the 2½ percent column for summer from climate tables in Standard RS-1 listed in Chapter 8 for the nearest listed location."

ii. Table 302.1 is deleted.

4. The following amendments are made to Chapter 5 of the energy subcode titled "Residential Building Design by Component Performance Approach":

i. Table 502.2.1a is amended as follows:

Table 502.2.1a
 Heating and Cooling Criteria

Heating degree days/county	Element	Mode	Type A1 Buildings Uo	Type A2 Buildings Uo
4,500	Walls	Heating or Cooling	.150	.215
Atlantic, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, Salem	Roof/Ceiling	Heating or Cooling	.033	.033
	Floors over unheated space	Heating or Cooling	.05	.05
	Unheated/heated slab on grade	Heating	R value-4/R-6	R value-4/R-6
	Basement Wall see notes 2, 3, 4	Heating or Cooling	.1	.1

Heating degree days/county	Element	Mode	Type A1 Buildings Uo	Type A2 Buildings Uo
5,000 Burlington, Essex, Hudson, Mercer, Middlesex, Monmouth, Ocean, Union	Crawl Space Wall see notes 2, 3	Heating or Cooling	.075	.075
	Walls	Heating or Cooling	.141	.215
	Roof/Ceiling	Heating or Cooling	.031	.031
	Floors over unheated space	Heating or Cooling	.050	.0500
	Unheated/heated slabs on grade	Heating	R value-4.3/6.4	R value-4.3/6.4
	Basement Wall see notes 2, 3, 4	Heating or Cooling	.1	.1
5,500 Bergen, Hunterdon, Morris, Passaic, Somerset, Sussex, Warren	Crawl Space Wall see notes 2, 3	Heating or Cooling	.060	.060
	Walls	Heating or Cooling	.134	.215
	Roof/Ceiling	Heating or Cooling	.028	.028
	Floors over unheated space	Heating or Cooling	.050	.050
	Unheated/heated slabs on grade	Heating	R-4.7/6.7	R-4.7/6.7
	Basement Wall see notes 2, 3, 4	Heating or Cooling	.0975	.0975
	Crawl Space Wall see notes 2, 3	Heating or Cooling	.060	.060

1. Values were determined using the graphs (Figures 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6) contained in Chapter 8.
2. Basement and crawl space wall U-values shall be based on the wall components and surface air film. Adjacent soil shall not be considered in the determination of the U-value.
3. Typical foundation wall techniques can be found in standard RS-20 found in Chapter 8.
4. The need for basement wall insulation shall be waived when the residential building is provided with high efficiency mechanical equipment (furnaces 90 percent AFUE or greater, boilers 86 percent AFUE or greater).

5. The following amendments are made to Chapter 7 of the energy subcode titled "Building Design for all Buildings Other than Residential Buildings":

i. Section 702.1 is amended to read "building designs shall meet the requirements of Sections 5.2, 6.2, 7.2, 9.2 and 10.2 in Standard RS-22 listed in Chapter 8."

ii. Section 702.2 is amended to read:

"In addition, building designs shall meet the prescriptive criteria of Sections 5.3, 6.3, 7.3 and 9.3."

The exception is amended to read:

"1. The system performance requirements of Standard RS-22 may be used in the following cases:

1.1 A building design meeting Section 6.1.3 instead of the Section 6.2 and 6.3 prescriptive requirements in Standard RS-22.

1.2 A building meeting Section 5.4 instead of the 5.3 prescriptive requirements in Standard RS-22.

2. A building design meeting the Section 11 building energy cost budget method in Standard RS-22."

6. Chapter 8 titled "Referenced Standards" is amended as follows:

i. RS-22 is amended to read "ASHRAE/IES 90.1-1999 Energy Efficient Design of New Buildings Except Low Rise Residential Buildings ©2000."

- Amended by R.1987 d.387, effective October 5, 1987.
See: 19 N.J.R. 433(b), 19 N.J.R. 1793(a).
- Substantially amended.
- Amended by R.1988 d.50, effective February 1, 1988.
See: 19 N.J.R. 1862(b), 20 N.J.R. 268(a).
- Added (b)6; renumbered (b)6.-7. as (b)7.-8.
- Amended by R.1988 d.417, effective September 6, 1988.
See: 20 N.J.R. 699(b), 20 N.J.R. 2274(a).
- Substantially amended.
- Amended by R.1990 d.507, effective October 15, 1990.
See: 22 N.J.R. 2208(a), 22 N.J.R. 3214(a).
- Text conformed to BOCA National Code/1990.
- Amended by R.1991 d.326, effective July 1, 1991.
See: 23 N.J.R. 804(a), 23 N.J.R. 2044(a).
- Section E-502.1 deleted.
- Amended by R.1991 d.429, effective August 19, 1991.
See: 23 N.J.R. 1487(a), 23 N.J.R. 2501(a).
- In (b)5, deleted old and added new i.
- Amended by R.1993 d.662, effective December 20, 1993.
See: 25 N.J.R. 3891(a), 25 N.J.R. 5918(a).
- Amended by R.1995 d.143, effective March 20, 1995 (operative July 1, 1995).
See: 26 N.J.R. 4872(a), 27 N.J.R. 1179(b).
- Amended by R.1998 d.332, effective July 6, 1998.
See: 30 N.J.R. 1377(a), 30 N.J.R. 2421(b).
- Rewrote the section.
- Amended by R.2001 d.244, effective July 16, 2001 (operative January 16, 2002).
See: 33 N.J.R. 1241(a), 33 N.J.R. 2471(a).
- Rewrote the section.
- Administrative change.
- See: 33 N.J.R. 3310(a).

Case Notes

Registered architect retained to sign and seal drawings to comply with permit regulations entitled to approve as prepared or return for compliance modifications (citing Small Dwelling Energy Subcode). *Deck House, Inc. v. New Jersey State Board of Architects*, 531 F.Supp. 633 (D.N.J.1982).

Departments of Community Affairs and Energy could not amend state energy subcode. *New Jersey Builders Ass'n v. Coleman*, 227 N.J.Super. 23, 545 A.2d 783 (A.D.1988).

5:23-3.19 Manufactured home subcode

(a) Pursuant to authority of P.L. 1975, c.217, as amended; the Commissioner hereby adopts the Federal Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards, as set forth in Part 3280 of Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations, including all subsequent revisions and amendments thereto, as the manufactured home subcode for New Jersey.

1. Copies of the volume of the Code of Federal Regulations containing Part 3280 of Title 24 may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20420.

2. Part 3280 of Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations, including all subsequent revisions and amendments thereto, may be known and cited as the manufactured home subcode.

(b) The following sections of Subpart A of Part 3280 are deemed to be administrative in nature and are therefore excluded from the manufactured home subcode:

1. Section 3280.1, entitled "Scope";
2. Section 3280.5, entitled "Data plate";
3. Section 3280.6, entitled "Serial number";
4. Section 3280.7, entitled "Modular homes"; and
5. Section 3280.8, entitled "Certification label".

(c) Any manufactured home construction or safety issue not covered under the manufactured home subcode which is, however, covered under another subcode adopted pursuant to this subchapter shall be determined in accordance with such other subcode.

(d) The adoption of a manufactured home subcode shall not be construed as in any way limiting the power or duty of the Department of Community Affairs to enforce and comply with all applicable provisions of the Federal Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974 and the regulations promulgated pursuant thereto, including all subsequent revisions and amendments thereto, when authorized to do so by the Secretary of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Amended by R.1982 d.7, eff. February 1, 1982.
See: 13 N.J.R. 171(a), 14 N.J.R. 142(a).

This section was recodified from 5:23-3.9.

5:23-3.20 Mechanical subcode

(a) Rules concerning the subcode adopted are as follows:

1. Pursuant to authority of P.L. 1975, c.217, the Commissioner hereby adopts the model code of the International Code Council, Inc., known as the International Mechanical Code/2000. This code is hereby adopted by reference as the Mechanical Subcode for the State of New Jersey subject to the modifications stated in (b) below.

i. Copies of this code may be obtained from BOCA International, 4051 West Flossmoor Road, Country Club Hills, Illinois 60478-5795.

ii. The International Mechanical Code/2000 may be known and cited as the "mechanical subcode."

2. Any references to the International Building Code, International Plumbing Code, ICC Electrical Code, International Fire Code or the International Energy Conservation Code listed in Chapter 15 shall be considered a reference to the appropriate adopted building, plumbing, electrical, BOCA National Fire Prevention Code-1996 or energy subcode in N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.

3. Anywhere the term "code" appears, shall be a reference to "subcode" as defined in N.J.A.C. 5:23-1.4 for any of the adopted national model codes as appropriate.

(b) The following chapters, sections or pages of the International Mechanical Code/2000 are amended as follows:

1. Chapter 1 of the mechanical subcode, entitled "Administration," is deleted in its entirety.

2. Chapter 2 of the mechanical subcode, entitled "Definitions," is amended as follows:

i. Section 201.3 is amended to delete the words "International Building Code, ICC Electrical Code, International Fire Code, International Plumbing Code," and in lieu thereof substitute "building, electrical, fire protection, and plumbing subcodes."

ii. The definition of the term "alteration" is deleted and substitute the definition found in N.J.A.C. 5:23-1.4.

iii. The definition of the term "approved" is deleted.

iv. The definition of the term "building" is deleted and substitute the definition found in N.J.A.C. 5:23-1.4.

v. The definition of the term "code" is deleted.

vi. The definition of the term "code official" is deleted, and the following language is substituted: "For the purpose of the mechanical subcode, the term "code official" shall mean the appropriate subcode official as designated in N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.4."

3. Chapter 3 of the mechanical subcode, entitled "General Regulations," is amended as follows:

- i. Section 301.1 is amended to delete the words "in accordance with Section 101.2."
 - ii. Section 301.4 is amended to delete the words "in accordance with Section 105."
 - iii. Section 301.11 is deleted.
 - iv. Section 307.1 is amended to delete "approved plumbing fixture" on line 3 and insert the following: "drywell, sump pump, floor drain, or drainage system below floor."
 - v. Section 307.2.1 is amended to add the following after the word "disposal" on line 3: "in accordance with the adopted plumbing subcode."
 - vi. Section 307.2.2 is deleted.
 - vii. Section 309 is deleted.
 - viii. Section 312 is deleted.
4. Chapter 4 of the mechanical subcode, entitled "Ventilation," is amended as follows:
- i. Section 403.2 is amended to add the following language: "Exception: Where the registered design professional demonstrates that an engineered ventilation system design will prevent the maximum concentration of contaminants from exceeding that obtainable by the rate of outdoor air ventilation determined in accordance with Section 403.3, the minimum required rate of outside air shall be reduced in accordance with such engineered system design."
5. Chapter 5 of the mechanical subcode, entitled "Exhaust Systems," is amended as follows:
- i. Section 503.1 is amended to replace the second sentence with the following: "The type and wiring methods for motors in areas that contain flammable vapors or dusts shall be in accordance with the electrical subcode."
 - ii. Section 512.1 is amended to add a sentence as follows: "This section shall not apply to radon construction techniques covered by subchapter 10 of the Uniform Construction Code."
 - iii. 513.11 is amended to replace the third sentence with the following: "Secondary power shall be from a legally required standby power source complying with the electrical subcode." Also, delete the following sentences: "Power distribution from the two sources shall be by independent routes. Transfer to full standby power shall be automatic and within 60 seconds of failure of the primary power."
 - iv. 513.12.1 is amended to delete the wording in its entirety and substitute the following: "Wiring. All wiring shall be in accordance with the electrical subcode."
6. Chapter 6 of the mechanical subcode, entitled "Duct Systems," is amended as follows:
- i. Section 602.2.1 is amended to modify Exception 3 to read: "This section shall not apply to materials exposed within plenums in one-and two-family dwellings. Wire exposed in plenums of one-and two-family dwellings shall conform to the requirements of the electrical subcode."
 - ii. Section 602.2.1.1 is deleted in its entirety and substitute the following language: "Wiring, cable and raceways installed in a plenum shall be listed and installed in accordance with the electrical subcode."
 - iii. Section 602.2.1.4 is deleted in its entirety and substitute the following language: "Combustible electrical equipment exposed within a plenum shall be listed and labeled and shall be installed in accordance with the requirements of the electrical subcode."
7. Chapter 9 of the mechanical subcode, entitled "Specific Appliances, Fireplaces and Solid Fuel Burning Equipment," is amended as follows:
- i. Section 917.2 is deleted in its entirety.
 - ii. Section 917.3 is deleted in its entirety.
8. Chapter 10 of the mechanical subcode, entitled "Boilers, Water Heaters and Pressure Vessels," is amended as follows:
- i. Section 1001.1 is amended to replace the words "installation, alteration, and repair of boilers," with the words "installation and alteration of boilers."
 - ii. Section 1003.1 is amended to add the following phase: "Pressure vessels shall be designed and constructed in accordance with the requirements of ASME "Rules for Construction of Pressure Vessels, Section VIII/1998"."
9. Chapter 11 of the mechanical subcode, entitled "Refrigeration," is amended as follows:
- i. Section 1102.2.2 is deleted.
 - ii. Section 1109 is deleted.
10. Chapter 13 of the mechanical subcode, entitled "Fuel Oil Piping And Storage," is amended as follows:
- i. Section 1301.2 is amended to add the following sentence: "Where the tank is of a size and type that is subject to the Department of Environmental Protection rules for the installation of Underground Storage Tanks at N.J.A.C. 7:14B, those rules shall apply."
11. Chapter 15 of the mechanical subcode, entitled "Referenced Standards," is amended as follows:
- i. Under the heading "ICC," amend the following titles:
 - (1) Delete "IEC—2000 Electrical Code."

5:23-12.8 Alterations, replacements, damages, increases in size, changes in use group, minor work, ordinary repairs

(a) In complying with this chapter, calculations concerning alterations, replacements, damages, increases in size and changes in use group, in N.J.A.C. 5:23-2, shall be performed using data for entire structures. The alteration provisions applicable to the whole structure and/or calculations in N.J.A.C. 5:23-2 shall not be applied to individual elevator devices.

(b) For purposes of this subchapter, alteration of an elevator device means any change to equipment other than minor work and ordinary repair, as defined in N.J.A.C. 5:23-2.17A and 5:23-9.3. When work that includes the alteration of an elevator device has a total cost of less than 50 percent of the physical value of the building, the alteration of the elevator device shall comply only with the applicable requirements of Part XII (Alterations, Repairs, Replacements and Maintenance) of the most recent edition of ASME A17.1 referenced in the building subcode.

Amended by R.1995 d.564, effective November 6, 1995 (operative March 1, 1996).
See: 27 N.J.R. 2829(a), 27 N.J.R. 4281(b).

5:23-12.9 Certificate of compliance requirements

(a) A device shall be granted a certificate of compliance by the construction official for the time period specified based upon N.J.A.C. 5:23-12.3. No device shall be operated unless a valid certificate of compliance has been issued except for the initial period after work under a permit has been completed as per (f) below. Any violation shall be corrected before a new certificate of compliance may be issued.

(b) A temporary certificate of compliance may be issued by the construction official for a device in order to keep the device in operation on which work, as a result of violations, is being diligently performed, if the elevator subcode official finds that no hazard to the public is thereby created. A temporary certificate of compliance may be issued for no longer than 180 days, even if the device is inspected on an annual basis.

(c) The elevator subcode official shall provide written notice to the construction official whenever a temporary certificate of compliance or certificate of compliance is granted by the construction official.

(d) No certificate of compliance shall be issued for any elevator device in use on or before July 1, 1992 that is subject to these rules and is not registered with the Department in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:23-12.4, except elevator devices in structures classified as Use Group R-3 and R-4 shall be exempt from registration. Elevator devices wholly within R-2 residences, not accessible to the general public shall also be exempt.

(e) No certificate of compliance or temporary certificate of compliance shall be issued for any elevator device, as required by this section, which has been approved to operate during the initial period, after a permit, in accordance with (f) below if the device has not been registered pursuant to this subchapter by its first routine inspection, even if a certificate of occupancy, temporary certificate of occupancy or certificate of approval has been issued.

(f) Except as otherwise provided in (e) above, a new device or an existing device which has had work done under a permit shall be issued a certificate of compliance upon the first cyclical inspection based on the following:

1. A device has been approved following the inspection and witnessing of an acceptance test, as required by N.J.A.C. 5:23-12.2, by the application of an Inspection Sticker Approval for Elevator and a recommendation by the elevator subcode official on an Elevator Subcode Technical Section form for a certificate of occupancy or approval, as the case may be.

i. The date of the approval shall begin the cycle of inspections and tests for new devices in a new building and for new devices in an existing building which did not have elevator devices previously.

ii. The date of the approval of an existing device in an existing building shall not change the device's existing cycle of inspections and tests. The cycle shall remain consistent with the inspection cycle in the building, except the device shall not be subject to the five year test before it is due as long as the acceptance test performed under the permit was a full five year test.

2. A device has been approved following the inspection process, as required for minor work by N.J.A.C. 5:23-2.17A(d)2 and 12.2, by the application of an Inspection Sticker Approval for Elevator and a recommendation by the elevator subcode official on an Elevator Subcode Technical Section form for a certificate of approval.

i. The device may operate under the approval given under the permit until the next cyclical inspection, as determined by the inspection cycle of the building, and then shall be subject to a routine or periodic inspection the same as all other elevator devices in the building.

New Rule, R.1995 d.476, effective September 5, 1995 (operative January 1, 1996).

See: 27 N.J.R. 1846(a), 27 N.J.R. 3325(b).

Amended by R.1995 d.564, effective November 6, 1995 (operative March 1, 1996).

See: 27 N.J.R. 2829(a), 27 N.J.R. 4281(b).

Amended by R.1996 d.512, effective November 4, 1996.

See: 28 N.J.R. 3697(a), 28 N.J.R. 4782(a).

5:23-12.10 Inspections in seasonal facilities

(a) For purposes of this subchapter, a "seasonal facility" is defined as a building that is open, and available for use by members of the public, employees or maintenance personnel or any occupants, for a period of not more than 184

consecutive days and is then closed and not available for such use for at least 181 consecutive days.

(b) Elevator devices in seasonal facilities shall be subject only to the applicable periodic inspections and tests (one, three and five year). Such inspections and tests shall be performed prior to the building being used by employees, maintenance personnel, members of the public or occupants. A certificate of compliance or temporary certificate of compliance shall be granted only for the time period during which the device is allowed to operate in the seasonal facility.

1. The fees for performing such inspections and witnessing tests shall be in accordance with such provisions of N.J.A.C. 5:23-12.6 as may be applicable.

(c) An owner of a building with one or more elevator devices may obtain classification of the building as a "seasonal facility" from the local enforcing agency. A request for such classification shall contain the information in (d) below and shall be signed by the owner.

(d) An application for classification of a building as a seasonal facility shall include the following information:

1. The owner's name and address, the building address, the registration number, the device identification number(s), and the date of the last inspection;

2. That the total number of consecutive calendar days per year when the building is in use by the public, employees, maintenance personnel or occupants does not exceed 184 days and that the building is then closed for such use for at least 181 consecutive calendar days;

3. That the elevator devices in the building are not accessible to members of the public, employees, maintenance personnel or building occupants during the time in which the building is closed; and

4. That the disconnects located in elevator device machine rooms and machinery spaces are, during the time in which the building is closed, in the "off" position and locked; and that the access to the keys is secured.

(e) The seasonal facility classification shall become invalid when the conditions of the classification are no longer met. The owner shall immediately notify the enforcing agency of any change in the conditions upon which the approval of classification as a seasonal facility was based.

1. Classification of a building as a seasonal facility shall not be renewed if the classification became invalid as a result of a violation of any conditions of the approval of the classification.

(f) During the period of time in which any device in seasonal facility is in operation, it shall be subject to all applicable code requirements in the same manner as any other device subject to this subchapter.

New Rule, R.1996 d.323, effective July 15, 1996 (operative January 1, 1997).

See: 28 N.J.R. 2112(a), 28 N.J.R. 3549(a).

5:23-12.11 Notice concerning accidents

(a) The construction official shall notify the Department about those accidents involving elevator devices (reported to the enforcing agency as required by the building subcode) that involve either death or personal injury requiring medical treatment by a physician other than first aid or damage to the elevator device that was either a result or cause of the accident and which affects the future safe operation of the device. For purposes of this section, "first aid" means the one time treatment or observation of scratches, cuts not requiring stitches, burns, splinters or contusions, or a diagnostic procedure, including examination and x-rays, which does not indicate any need for further medical treatment. First aid may be performed by licensed medical personnel or by other persons.

1. The construction official shall notify the Elevator Safety Unit about any accident within five working days after the accident is reported to the enforcing agency, except that accidents involving devices under the Department's jurisdiction shall be reported as soon as possible, but not later than the end of the next business day after an accident is reported to the construction official.

2. Within five working days after an accident involving a device not under the Department's jurisdiction is reported to the enforcing agency, a copy of the Accident/Incident Report form and all attachments, as indicated in the form, shall be forwarded to the Elevator Safety Unit by the construction official.

3. When a special inspection is performed by a person other than the Elevator Safety Unit subcode official, a copy of the Inspection Report shall be forwarded to the Elevator Safety Unit within five working days after the date of the special inspection.

New Rule, R.1997 d.64, effective February 18, 1997 (operative May 19, 1997).

See: 28 N.J.R. 4695(a), 29 N.J.R. 550(a).

5:23-12.12 Special safety equipment

(a) On all existing elevators, a space between the elevator hoistway door and the car door or gate shall comply with the requirements of Rule 204.4c of ASME A17.1-1990. Where the space exceeds the maximum distance, a space guard shall be installed to minimize the gap. Sight guards shall be installed along with the space guards on horizontally sliding type hoistways.

1. Freight elevators that are equipped with horizontally swinging doors, are not accessible to the general public, and are located in the factories, warehouses, garages, or similar buildings shall not be required to comply.

2. Installation of space and sight guards shall comply with all applicable requirements of ASME A17.3-1993 and shall be considered minor work within the meaning of N.J.A.C. 5:23-2.17A.

(b) In buildings containing more than one elevator device, each such device shall be identified according to ASME A17.1 referenced in the building subcode.

1. In addition, each elevator shall be identified by such a number in every elevator lobby. The identification number shall be a minimum of 1½ inches high and of a color that contrasts with the background. The number shall be permanent and shall be on or adjacent to every elevator hoistway entrance frame. By August 4, 2003, all existing elevators shall comply with this requirement.

(c) On each existing escalator, a skirt obstruction device conforming to ASME A17.1-93-95, Rule 805.1.h. and a step level device conforming to ASME A17.1-93-95, Rule 805.1.s. shall be installed by August 4, 2003.

(d) On each existing elevator, a floating (movable) platform that permits the operation of the elevator when the car door or gate is not in the closed position shall be prohibited. Use of a floating (movable) platform that exists as of February 4, 2002 on any elevator shall be discontinued by August 4, 2003.

(e) A sign stating "DO NOT USE A STANDING ESCALATOR AS A BUILDING STAIR" shall be permanently placed where it is readily visible to the general public at the top and bottom landings of an escalator. Each sign shall comply with the applicable requirements of ASME A17.1-93-95, Rule 805.2.b. This requirement shall apply to new escalator installations and to existing escalators. All existing escalators shall be required to comply with this subsection by August 18, 2004.

New Rule, R.1997 d.305, effective July 21, 1997.

See: 29 N.J.R. 2205(a), 29 N.J.R. 3249(a).

Amended by R.2002 d.43, effective February 4, 2002.

See: 33 N.J.R. 3714(a), 34 N.J.R. 732(b).

Rewrote the section.

Administrative correction.

See: 35 N.J.R. 219(c).

Amended by R.2003 d.72, effective February 18, 2003.

See: 34 N.J.R. 3672(a), 35 N.J.R. 1055(a).

Added (e).

Amended by R.2003 d.187, effective May 5, 2002.

See: 34 N.J.R. 1939(c), 35 N.J.R. 4248(a).

In (b), deleted "BOCA Rule 3003.3 and" preceding "ASME A17.1".

mented by P.L. 1997, c.336, is entitled "Optional Elevator Inspection Program" and shall be known and cited throughout this chapter as N.J.A.C. 5:23-12A. When referred to in this subchapter, it may be cited as "this subchapter."

(b) Unless otherwise specifically provided, all references to paragraphs, sections, or to provisions not specifically identified, shall be construed to refer to such paragraph or section or provision of this subchapter.

(c) This subchapter shall control all matters relating to the administration of the registration of qualified elevator device inspection firms, hereinafter referred to as "qualified firms," qualified elevator device inspectors and the elevator devices enrolled in this optional program, as defined in (d) below.

(d) For purposes of this subchapter, "elevator" or "elevator device" means a hoisting and lowering device equipped with a car or platform which moves in guides for the transportation of individuals or freight in a substantially vertical direction through successive floors or levels of a building or structure. The term shall include, without limitation, elevators, dumbwaiters, wheelchair lifts, manlifts, stairway chairlifts and any device within the scope of ASME A17.1 (Safety Code for Elevators and Escalators) or ASME A90.1 (Safety Standard for Belt Manlifts), except escalators and moving walks.

1. This definition shall not apply to any conveyor devices that are process equipment.

5:23-12A.2 Qualified elevator device inspection firms

(a) Any sole proprietorship, partnership, association or corporation that is engaged in the business of maintaining, inspecting and testing elevator devices, has at all times, as a bona fide employee, at least one qualified elevator device inspector, and carries general liability insurance in at least the amount of \$4,000,000 for each person and each occurrence to satisfy claims or judgments for property damage and/or personal injury may apply for registration with the Department as a qualified firm.

1. The application shall contain information relating to the financial integrity of the firm, as evidenced by a reviewed financial statement prepared by an independent certified public accountant.

2. The application shall contain the names and addresses and home phone numbers of all persons who hold at least a ten percent interest in the qualified firm and/or are corporate officers.

3. Each applicant for registration as a qualified firm shall disclose in the application any subsidiary or parent relationship with any other qualified firm or other entity regulated by the State Uniform Construction Code and shall further disclose all interests of any officer, partner, or stockholder of the firm in any other qualified firm or

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5:23-12A.1 Title; scope; intent

(a) This subchapter of the rules, adopted pursuant to the authority of the Uniform Construction Code Act, as supple-

other entity regulated by the State Uniform Construction Code.

4. Each application shall include a sample form of the contract of full service needs to be used for the purposes of this subchapter.

(b) Upon receipt of a completed application on a form prescribed by the Department, including the information in (a) above and a nonrefundable fee of \$250.00, the Department shall issue a certificate of registration, unless the application is denied in accordance with (c) below.

1. The certificate of registration shall remain valid, unless revoked in accordance with (c) below, for two consecutive years following the date of registration; provided, however, that the certificate of registration shall become inactive for any period of time during which the firm ceases to engage in the business of maintaining, inspecting and testing elevator devices or ceases to employ at least one qualified elevator device inspector. It shall be the responsibility of the qualified firm to inform the Department within 30 days of any changes to the status of the qualified firm during the two-year registration period. It shall be the responsibility of the firm to reapply for registration at least two months prior to the renewal date to make current the information contained in the original application by submission of a completed reapplication form, as prescribed by the Commissioner.

(c) A certificate of registration may be denied or revoked if the Department determines that the firm, or any person holding an ownership interest in the firm or otherwise authorized to represent the firm, has at any time:

1. Willfully made a misstatement of material fact in an application for issuance or renewal of a registration certificate;
2. Willfully committed fraud in connection with the maintenance, inspection or testing of any elevator device;
3. Maintained, inspected or tested any elevator device in a grossly negligent manner;
4. Failed to ensure that the qualified elevator device inspectors that it employs perform their duties in accordance with the requirements of this subchapter;
5. Habitually failed to ensure the timely submission of the elevator device certification in accordance with the requirements of this subchapter;
6. Willfully violated the requirements of the State Uniform Construction Code to any substantial degree; or
7. Failed to report an accident or equipment failure as required by the building subcode and N.J.A.C. 5:23-12.11.

5:23-12A.3 Qualified elevator device inspector

(a) A candidate for certification as a qualified elevator device inspector for the inspection and testing of elevator devices enrolled under this subchapter shall pay a nonrefundable fee of \$65.00 and shall meet the following competence and experience requirements:

1. Seven years of experience consisting of one or a combination of the following:
 - i. Experience in construction, design, or supervision as a journeyman in a skilled trade currently regulated by the elevator subcode;
 - ii. Experience as an elevator inspector; or
 - iii. Experience as a construction contractor in a field of construction currently regulated by the elevator subcode; and
2. Demonstration of competence by successful completion of one of the following:
 - i. Successful completion of the examination module 6B-Elevator General of the National Certification Program for Construction Code Inspectors administered by the Chauncy Group, a subsidiary of the Educational Testing Service for the Department; or
 - ii. Possession of a current Qualified Elevator Inspector (QEI) certificate issued pursuant to ASME QEI-1-1993.

(b) The certificate shall be renewed every three years upon the submission of a renewal application, payment of a renewal fee of \$65.00 and submission of documentation of continuing education as follows:

1. Documentation of having completed 1.5 Continuing Education Units (CEUs) in a related technical subject area, as approved by the Bureau of Code Services, within the three-year period preceding the date of application. One CEU equals 10 contact hours;
2. Annual submission of a current QEI certificate; or
3. Submission of equivalent certification approved by the Bureau of Code Services.

(c) A qualified elevator device inspector, when employed by a qualified elevator device inspection firm, shall perform, and certify by signature, the inspection and tests required by this subchapter. The qualified inspector shall not inspect his or her own work; however, the qualified elevator device inspector may perform work as required under the contract of full service needs on the device he or she is inspecting at the time of the inspection and test, provided that work does not require more than one person. The maintenance and repair of a contracted device that is required at any other time under a contract of full service needs shall be performed by another individual, and not by the certifying inspector.