

accessory to Group R3” following “Note b”; added new (b)8iii; re-codified former (b)8iii through (b)8v as (b)8iv through (b)8vi; in (b)8v, substituted “Exceptions 4 and 6” for “Exception 4” and “their” for “its”; in the second paragraph of (b)9ii, deleted “.1” following “903.1.2”; in (b)9v1, deleted “that conforms to the requirements of Section 1005.3.6,” following “stairway” and substituted “1023” for “1003.3.4”; in the introductory paragraph of (b)9vi, substituted “903.2.14” for “903.2.16”; in (b)9xii3, substituted “903.3.1.1” for “906.2.1”; rewrote (b)9xiii through (b)9xli; added (b)9xlii; rewrote (b)10, (b)17xiv through (b)17xxii; added new (b)18v; recodified former (b)18v through (b)18xi as (b)18vi through (b)18xii; rewrote (b)21; and in (b)22iv, deleted “In” preceding “Section” and “Item 3” preceding “shall”.  
Amended by R.2009 d.126, effective April 20, 2009.  
See: 41 N.J.R. 16(a), 41 N.J.R. 1725(a).

Added new (b)18v; and recodified former (b)18v through (b)18xii as (b)18vi through (b)18xiii.  
Amended by R.2009 d.255, effective August 17, 2009.  
See: 41 N.J.R. 1919(a), 41 N.J.R. 3065(a).

In (b)21ii, inserted “insert” twice, substituted “8.6” for “8.6.1.6.5” and deleted “shall be inserted” preceding “after” twice.  
Amended by R.2010 d.195, effective September 7, 2010.  
See: 41 N.J.R. 3140(a), 42 N.J.R. 2043(a).

Rewrote the section.  
Amended by R.2012 d.179, effective November 5, 2012.  
See: 44 N.J.R. 1679(a), 44 N.J.R. 2557(a).

Added new (b)9xlvii, (b)10xxx and (b)10xxxii; recodified former (b)9xlvii through (b)9liii as (b)9xlviii through (b)9liv; and recodified former (b)10xxx through (b)10xxxviii as (b)10xxxix through (b)10xl.  
Amended by R.2013 d.081, effective June 3, 2013.  
See: 44 N.J.R. 1303(a), 45 N.J.R. 1393(a).

In (b)17i, substituted “1” for “I”.  
Administrative correction.  
See: 46 N.J.R. 74(b).  
Amended by R.2015 d.139, effective September 21, 2015.  
See: 47 N.J.R. 9(a), 47 N.J.R. 2352(b).  
Rewrote the section.

#### Case Notes

In a dispute involving property insurance coverage, a trial court properly granted summary judgment to the insured for repair work to other parts of a damaged building since there was a clear causal connection between the collapse of the seventh floor and the code official’s mandate to bring the remaining floors into compliance to prevent them from collapsing. But for wind damage to the seventh floor of the insured’s building (a covered claim), the insured would not have been required to bring the wall-to floor connections in the rest of the building up to current code standards, therefore, those additional repairs were covered under the policy. *Deb Assocs. v. Greater N.y. Mut. Ins. Co.*, 407 N.J. Super. 287, 970 A.2d 1074, 2009 N.J. Super. LEXIS 124 (App.Div. 2009).

Set back provisions of borough zoning ordinance controlled conflicting state building code provisions. *Pfeuffer v. Sculco*, 242 N.J. Super. 181, 576 A.2d 309 (A.D.1990).

### 5:23-3.15 Plumbing subcode

(a) Rules concerning 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 Plumbing Heating-Cooling Contractors—National Association, known as “The National Standard Plumbing Code/2009,” as the plumbing subcode for New Jersey.

i. Copies of this code may be obtained from the sponsor at: PHCC-NA, P.O. Box 6808, Falls Church, VA 22046.

2. “The National Standard Plumbing Code/2009,” including appendices, may be known and cited as “the plumbing subcode.”

(b) The following pages, chapters, sections or appendices of the plumbing subcode shall be amended as follows:

1. The section entitled “Administration,” comprising sections ADM 1.1 through ADM 1.13, is deleted in its entirety.

2. Chapter 1 of the plumbing subcode, entitled “Definitions,” shall be amended as follows:

i. Delete the term and definition of “Adopting Agency.”

ii. Amend the definition of “approved” as follows: delete “Sec. 3.12” and insert “N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.7.”

iii. Delete the definition of “Authority Having Jurisdiction” and insert the following: “Unless otherwise defined herein, or unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, the term “authority having jurisdiction” for purposes of the plumbing subcode, shall mean the “plumbing subcode official.”

iv. The definition of the term “building” is deleted, and substitute in lieu thereof, the definition of the term “building” found in N.J.A.C. 5:23-1.4.

v. In the definition of “Building Classification” delete “authority having jurisdiction” and insert “building subcode” at N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.14.

vi. The term and definition of “code” are deleted.

vii. The term and definition of “family” are deleted.

viii. The definition of “hot water” shall be deleted and the following definition shall be inserted: “Hot Water: Potable water at a temperature of not less than 120 degrees F and not more than 140 degrees F.

ix. The definition of “Dead End, Potable Water” shall be deleted in its entirety.

x. The definition of “tempered water” shall be amended as follows: before “temperature,” delete “desired” and after “temperature,” delete “for its intended use, typically” and insert “of.”

xi. The term and definition of “nuisance” are deleted.

xii. Add the following new definition after the definition of Swimming Pool: Swimming Pool, Public: A swimming pool located on any property other than a one or two family residential property and including, but not limited to, swimming pools open to the use of members, residents or the public.

3. Chapter 2 of the plumbing subcode, entitled “General Regulations,” shall be amended as follows:

- i. Section 2.5 is deleted in its entirety.
  - ii. In Section 2.9.3 delete "Building Code or as required by the proper Authority Having Jurisdiction" and insert "building subcode."
  - iii. In Section 2.11, Piping materials exposed within plenums, "Codes" shall be deleted and "subcodes" shall be inserted.
  - iv. In Section 2.12, Sleeves, subparagraph e, "regulations" shall be deleted and "subcode" shall be inserted.
  - v. In Section 2.16, Freezing or overheating, at item 1, "42" shall be inserted in the blank space provided. Additionally, the following shall be inserted: "Combination domestic/fire water service piping shall be installed such that the minimum earth cover is 42 inches or the top of the pipe is 12 inches below the frost depth of the locality, whichever is greater. Limited-area sprinkler systems installed in accordance with Section 903.3.5.1.1 of the building subcode, shall be installed such that the minimum earth cover is 42 inches." In the same section, at Item 2, "24" shall be inserted in the blank space provided. In addition, in the third line of Item 2, "6" shall be inserted in the blank space provided.
  - vi. Section 2.19.1 is amended to delete the blank and the words "feet of any property line of the premises, or other."
  - vii. Section 2.19.2 is amended to delete the words "the Health Department or other agency having jurisdiction" and substitute in lieu thereof "The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection."
  - viii. New Section 2.19.3, Common Systems, shall be inserted as follows:
    - a. Common water services shall be permitted to serve attached single-family dwellings in groups of three or more where the common water service is located within property subject to an association easement or on common property and there is a homeowners' association or other owner entity responsible for maintenance and upkeep.
    - b. Common building sewers shall be permitted to serve attached single-family dwellings in groups of three or more where the common sewer is located within property subject to an association easement or on common property and there is a homeowners' association or other owner entity responsible for maintenance and upkeep.
  - ix. In Section 2.23, Dead Ends, subsection b shall be deleted.
  - x. Section 2.24, Toilet facilities for construction workers, shall be deleted in its entirety.
4. Chapter 3 of the plumbing subcode, entitled "Materials," shall be amended as follows:
- i. In Section 3.1.1 delete "Minimum." In the same section at items (1) and (2), delete "Section 3.12.2" and insert "N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.7."
  - ii. In Section 3.1.2, at Item a, delete "at least." In the same section, delete "Section 3.12" and insert "N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.7."
  - iii. In Section 3.1.3, Standards applicable to plumbing materials, "Section 3.12.2" shall be deleted and "N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.7" shall be inserted.
  - iv. In Section 3.1.3, Standards Applicable to Plumbing Materials, in the "Note," the following shall be inserted: APSP—The Association of Pool and Spa Professionals, 2110 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314, tel: 703-838-0083, fax: 703-549-0493.
  - v. In Table 3.1.3, Standards for Approved Plumbing Materials and equipment, Part XI, Practices and Standards for Qualifications, Installation and Testing, insert: "20. Entrapment Avoidance for Swimming Pools, Spas and Hot Tubs: APSP-7 – 2006."
  - vi. Section 3.3.8a is amended to add the following phase: "Pressure vessels shall be designed and constructed in accordance with the requirements of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), Rules for Construction of Pressure Vessels, Section VIII/2004. Any pressure vessel that exceeds any of the following, shall meet the requirements of ASME and shall be stamped ASME: A heat input rating of 200,000 BTU per hour; or a water temperature of 200 degrees Fahrenheit; or a nominal water capacity of 120 gallons or any other thresholds of ASME that apply."
  - vii. Section 3.3.11 entitled "Septic Tanks" is deleted in its entirety.
  - viii. Add new section 3.4.2.1 as follows: 3.4.2.1 Combination Domestic/Fire Water Service: Water service piping for combination domestic/fire water services shall be of materials listed in Table 3.4 and shall be water pressure rated not less than 200 psig at 73°F. Joint restraints shall comply with Section 6.3, entitled "Joint Restraint for Fire Mains" per NFPA 13.  
Exception: Limited area sprinkler systems installed in accordance with Section 903.3.5.1.1 of the building subcode, shall be water pressure rated not less than 160 psig at 73°F.
  - ix. Section 3.12, Alternate materials and methods, shall be deleted in its entirety.
5. Chapter 4 of the plumbing subcode entitled, "Joints and Connections" is amended as follows:
- i. In Section 4.3.8(b)(3) delete "be approved by the Authority Having Jurisdiction if such products are not listed or labeled" and insert "or as permitted under N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.7."

6. Chapter 5 of the plumbing subcode entitled, "Traps, Cleanouts and Backwater Valves," shall be amended as follows:

i. In Section 5.3.2, Trap seals, in Exception (2), "in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.3" shall be inserted after "Authority Having Jurisdiction."

ii. In Section 5.3.4, Building traps, "in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.3" shall be inserted after "Authority Having Jurisdiction."

7. Chapter 6 of the plumbing subcode, entitled "Liquid Waste Treatment Equipment," shall be amended as follows:

i. At the end of Section 6.1.1, Where required, the following shall be inserted: "The determination of necessity shall be made by the plumbing subcode official in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.3."

ii. Section 6.4.4 is amended to add the phrase "in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.3" after the word "approval" on line 2.

8. Chapter 7 of the plumbing subcode, entitled "Plumbing Fixtures, Fixture Fittings and Plumbing Appliances," shall be amended as follows:

i. Section 7.2 is amended to read "Plumbing fixtures for accessible use and their installation shall conform to the requirements of N.J.A.C. 5:23-7 et. seq."

ii. In Section 7.4.4, Bowl height, Exception (2) and Exception (3) shall be deleted and the following text shall be inserted: "Accessible water closets shall conform to the requirements of N.J.A.C. 5:23-7 et seq."

iii. At the end of Section 7.18.2 after "Authority Having Jurisdiction" insert "in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.3."

iv. Note 1 to Table 7.21.1 is amended to delete the words "For accessible requirements, see local, state, or national codes." in the second sentence.

v. Figure 7.3.2 is amended to delete the word "Code" and substitute in lieu thereof "Subcode" in the block at bottom.

vi. Section 7.23, Safety features for spas and hot tubs, shall be deleted and Section 7.23, Safety features for swimming pools, spas and hot tubs, shall be inserted as follows:

**"7.23 Safety Features for Swimming Pools, Spas and Hot Tub.**

**7.23.1 Entrapment avoidance.** Suction outlets shall be designed and installed in accordance with ANSI/APSP-7."

9. Chapter 8 of the plumbing subcode, entitled "Hangers and Supports," shall be amended as follows:

i. In Section 8.9, Seismic supports for piping, "code" shall be deleted and "subcode" shall be inserted.

10. Chapter 10 of the plumbing subcode, entitled "Water Supply and Distribution," shall be amended as follows:

i. In Section 10.2 after "Authority Having Jurisdiction" insert "in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.3".

ii. In Section 10.4.2 delete "with the approval of the Authority Having Jurisdiction" and insert "in accordance with the rules of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection at N.J.A.C. 7:10-10";

iii. Section 10.4.3 is amended to read: "Potable water supplies shall be protected in accordance with the

provisions of this code and where applicable the Safe Drinking Water Regulations (N.J.A.C. 7:10). The requirements of this code shall establish requirements for individual outlet protection. The requirements of the Safe Drinking Water Act shall establish the requirements for containment.";

iv. In Section 10.4.4, Private supplies, at Note b, "in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:10-10.2(e)" shall be inserted after "Authority Having Jurisdiction."

v. Section 10.5.6d. is amended to delete the words "and repair" on the first line, and to delete the third sentence.

vi. Section 10.5.9a. Exception (4) shall be deleted and the following inserted: "(4) Where fire protection systems supplied from a potable water system include a fire department (Siamese) connection which is located less than 1,700 feet from a non-potable water source, the water supply shall be protected by one of the following:

(i) Reduced pressure backflow preventer assembly; or

(ii) Reduced pressure detector assembly."

vii. In Section 10.8.1 insert "as required by the Authority Having Jurisdiction" after "in accordance with good practice."

viii. Section 10.15.1, Hot water supply system, shall be amended to add the phrase "Outlet temperature of hot water from lavatory faucets in public use facility restrooms or public toilet rooms shall be provided with a means to limit the maximum temperature to 110 degrees F."

ix. Insert new section 10.20, Multi-purpose fire sprinkler systems, as follows: Section P2904, Multi-purpose fire sprinkler systems, of the 2009 International Residential Code shall be considered part of the plumbing subcode.

11. Chapter 11 of the plumbing subcode, entitled "Sanitary Drainage Systems," is amended as follows:

i. Section 11.4.3 is amended at the end to add the sentence "Diversity factors shall be established in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.3."

12. Chapter 12 of the plumbing subcode, entitled "Vents and Venting," shall be amended as follows:

i. Section 12.5 is deleted in its entirety.

ii. Section 12.8.2 is deleted in its entirety.

13. Chapter 13 of the plumbing subcode, entitled "Storm Water Drainage," shall be amended as follows:

i. In Section 13.1.5, Foundation drains, Notes a. through d. shall be amended to read "subsoil drains shall be provided in accordance with the building subcode."

ii. Section 13.1.10.1, Primary roof drainage, shall be amended to delete the last sentence and to substitute in lieu thereof "Rainfall rates shall be applied so that the applicable rainfall rate for Burlington and Ocean counties and all counties south shall be six inches per hour and for Mercer and Monmouth counties and all counties north, the applicable rainfall rate shall be five inches per hour."

iii. Section 13.1.10.2, "Secondary Roof Drainage," is deleted.

14. Chapter 15 of the plumbing subcode, entitled "Tests and Maintenance" is amended as follows:

i. Add new Section 15.6.1 as follows: 15.6.1 Combination Domestic/Fire Water Service Systems: Piping for combination domestic/fire water services systems shall be pressure tested to not less than 200 psig and shall maintain that pressure without loss for 2 hours.

ii. Add new Section 15.6.1.1 as follows: 15.6.1.1 Leakage: The following provisions shall apply to buried pipe in all combination domestic/fire water service systems, except for limited sprinkler systems:

(1) The amount of leakage at the joints shall be no greater than 2 qt/hr (1.89 L/hr) per 100 joints or gaskets, regardless of pipe diameter.

(2) The amount of leakage in accordance with (1) above shall be permitted to be increased in increments of 1 fluid ounce (30 ml) per inch valve diameter per hour for each metal seated valve that isolates the test section.

(3) The amount of leakage in buried piping shall be measured at the test pressure specified by pumping from a calibrated container.

iii. Add new Section 15.9 as follows: 15.9 Flushing of Piping: Lead-in connections to system risers and fire service mains from the water supply to the system riser (excluding limited systems) shall be flushed completely before connection is made to sprinkler piping. The flushing operation shall be continued for a sufficient amount of time to ensure that the system is thoroughly cleaned. The minimum rate of flow shall be not less than one of the following:

(1) The hydraulically calculated water demand rate of the system, including any hose requirements.

(2) The flow that is necessary to provide a velocity of 10 ft/sec (3.1 m/sec).

(3) The maximum flow rate available to the system under fire conditions.

15. Chapter 16 of the plumbing subcode, entitled "Regulations Governing Individual Sewage Disposal Systems for Homes and Other Establishments Where Public Sewer Systems Are Not Available," shall be amended as follows:

i. Except as otherwise indicated in (b)15ii below, Sections 16.1 through 16.12.1.13 shall be deleted in their entirety.

ii. In Section 16.1.7, Abandoned disposal systems, insert "When an existing building is being demolished and the existing sewage disposal system is abandoned or an existing sewage disposal system is being abandoned and a connection is being made to the public sewer disposal system or new sewage disposal system, the plumbing subcode official shall ensure that the existing abandoned tank is disconnected from the building, pumped out, and filled with gravel, stones, or soil material."

Note: Existing standards of the Department of Environmental Protection and boards of health with respect to individual on-site sewage disposal systems remain in effect."

16. Chapter 17 of the plumbing subcode entitled, "Portable Water Supply Systems," shall be deleted in its entirety.

Note: Existing standards of the Department of Environmental Protection and boards of health with respect to individual on-site water supply systems remain in effect.

17. Chapter 18 of the plumbing subcode, entitled "Mobile Home and Travel Trailer Park Plumbing Standards," shall be amended as follows:

i. In Section 18.2.1, General, the last sentence beginning with "Trailer home park" shall be deleted.

ii. New Section 18.2.1.1, Permanently Installed Manufactured Homes, shall be inserted as follows: This chapter is not applicable to permanently installed manufactured homes meeting the Federal Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards, 24 C.F.R. Part 3280.

iii. New Section 18.2.1.2, Approved Structures, shall be inserted as follows: An approved structure placed on a site for use as a permanent dwelling shall meet the applicable requirements of this subcode, excluding Chapter 18.

iv. Section 18.2.2 is amended to delete the words "or sewerage disposal" on line 1.

v. Section 18.5.8 is amended to add the phrase "and as provided by the authority having jurisdiction" after the words "chapter 10 of this code."

vi. Section 18.8.1.2 is deleted.

vii. Section 18.8.3 is amended to add the phrase "for dependent trailers" after the word "park" on line 1.

viii. Section 18.8.4 is amended to add the phrase "for dependent trailers" after the word "park" on line 1.

ix. Section 18.9 is deleted.

x. Section 18.10 is deleted.

18. Appendix A, entitled "Sizing Storm Drainage Systems," shall be deleted in its entirety.

19. Appendix E of the plumbing subcode, entitled "Special Design Plumbing Systems," shall be amended as follows:

i. Section E.9.3, Rainfall Rates, shall be deleted and the following shall be inserted: "Rainfall rates shall be applied so that the applicable rainfall rates for Burlington and Ocean counties and all counties south, shall be six (6) inches per hour; for Mercer and Monmouth counties and all counties north, the applicable rainfall rate shall be five (5) inches per hour."

ii. Section E.9.4, Secondary Roof Drainage, shall be deleted.

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.1983 d.12, eff. February 7, 1983, operative February 22, 1983.

See: 14 N.J.R. 1326(a), 15 N.J.R. 141(c).

Added (a) 3 and (c).

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

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

Section substantially amended.

Amended by R.1986 d.12, effective February 3, 1986.

See: 17 N.J.R. 2714(a), 18 N.J.R. 267(a).

(a)1i had a change of address; (a)3 and (c) added.

Amended by R.1987 d.81, effective February 2, 1987.

See: 18 N.J.R. 2237(b), 19 N.J.R. 289(d).

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.1989 d.66, effective February 6, 1989.

See: 20 N.J.R. 2846(a), 21 N.J.R. 288(a).

Added (c).

Amended by R.1990 d.58, effective February 5, 1990.

See: 21 N.J.R. 3346(a), 22 N.J.R. 351(a).

Added (d) adopting the 1989 Supplement to the 1987 National Standard Plumbing Code.

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

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

Text added at (a)3; (d)3ii 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).

GPF set at 1.6; gravity water closets not permitted in commercial uses.

Amended by R.1991 d.571, effective November 18, 1991.

See: 23 N.J.R. 2619(a), 23 N.J.R. 3444(b).

Added new (c).

Amended by R.1992 d.67, effective February 3, 1992.

See: 23 N.J.R. 3602(a), 24 N.J.R. 404(b).

Low volume water closet exception added at (b)18i(1).

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.122, effective March 6, 1995 (operative July 1, 1995).

See: 26 N.J.R. 4874(a), 27 N.J.R. 894(a).

Amended by R.1998 d.136, effective March 16, 1998.

See: 30 N.J.R. 4(a), 30 N.J.R. 1038(a).

In (b)9, added xii.

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.340, effective September 17, 2001.

See: 33 N.J.R. 1245(a), 33 N.J.R. 3308(b).

Rewrote the section.

Amended by R.2002 d.393, effective December 16, 2002.

See: 34 N.J.R. 2914(a), 34 N.J.R. 4428(a).

In (b)8, deleted former (ii) and recodified existing (iii) to (ix) as (ii) to (viii).

Amended by R.2005 d.35, effective January 18, 2005.

See: 36 N.J.R. 3329(b), 37 N.J.R. 267(a).

Rewrote the section.

Administrative correction.

See: 37 N.J.R. 885(a).

Amended by R.2005 d.341, effective October 17, 2005.

See: 37 N.J.R. 164(a), 37 N.J.R. 3974(b).

In (b)3iv, added "and add the following sentence at the end: 'Minimum earth cover for building sewers connected to a private sewage disposal system shall be 6 inches.'" at the end of the paragraph.

Amended by R.2007 d.65, effective February 20, 2007.

See: 38 N.J.R. 3348(a), 39 N.J.R. 633(a).

Rewrote the section.

Amended by R.2008 d.274, effective September 15, 2008.

See: 40 N.J.R. 2629(a), 40 N.J.R. 5195(b).

In paragraph 7.23 of (b)8vi, substituted "Spas and Hot Tubs" for "spas and hot tubs"; in subparagraph 2 of paragraph 7.23.3 of (b)8vi, inserted a period at the end; in paragraph 7.23.4.1 of (b)8vi, added the second paragraph; and in paragraph 7.23.5 of (b)8vi, inserted the closing quotation mark at the end.

Amended by R.2008 d.346, effective November 17, 2008.

See: 40 N.J.R. 3778(a), 40 N.J.R. 6540(a).

In (b)4iv, inserted "the" preceding "Construction" and substituted "2004" for "1998"; added (b)10vi; recodified former (b)10vi and (b)10vii as (b)10vii and (b)10viii; and in (b)10viii, substituted "2004" for "1999".

Amended by R.2009 d.48, effective February 2, 2009.

See: 40 N.J.R. 5319(a), 41 N.J.R. 733(b).

Amended by R.2010 d.195, effective September 7, 2010.

See: 41 N.J.R. 3140(a), 42 N.J.R. 2043(a).

Rewrote the section.

Amended by R.2013 d.081, effective June 3, 2013.

See: 44 N.J.R. 1303(a), 45 N.J.R. 1393(a).

Added new (b)3viii; recodified former (b)3viii through (b)3ix as (b)3ix through (b)3x; added new (b)17ii through (b)17iii; and recodified former (b)17ii through (b)17viii as (b)17iv through (b)17x.

#### Case Notes

Statute providing that only licensed master plumbers could be plumbing contractors was unconstitutional. *Mechanical Contractors Ass'n of New Jersey, Inc. v. State*, 255 N.J.Super. 488, 605 A.2d 743 (A.D.1992).

#### 5:23-3.16 Electrical subcode

(a) Rules concerning the electrical subcode adopted are 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 model code of the National Fire Protection Association, known as "The National Electrical Code 2014" as the electrical subcode for New Jersey.

i. Copies of this code may be obtained from the sponsors at NFPA, One Batterymarch Park, Quincy, Massachusetts 02269.

2. The National Electrical Code 2014 may be known and cited as "the electrical subcode."

i. Codes and standards referenced in the Informational Notes of the electrical subcode (NEC

2014) shall be considered adopted by reference to the extent prescribed by each related section. These codes and standards also are printed in DCA Bulletin # 15-2, which contains a list of adopted codes and standards that are applicable to the enforcement of the electrical subcode.

3. The Commissioner hereby adopts the National Electrical Safety Code (ANSI C2-2012) for the installation of area lighting facilities by an electric utility on private property on metal poles with an underground electric feed.

i. Copies of the National Electrical Safety Code may be obtained from the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers, Inc., PO Box 1331, 445 Hoes Lane, Piscataway, New Jersey 08855-1331.

(b) The following chapters or articles of the electrical subcode are amended as follows:

1. Article 90 of the electrical subcode, entitled "Introduction," is amended as follows:

i. Section 90.4, entitled "Enforcement," is amended to delete in the first paragraph the phrase, "authority having jurisdiction for enforcement of the code" and substitute in lieu thereof, the term "electrical subcode official." And add a new last sentence in the first paragraph: "Approval shall be in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:23-2.9." Delete in the second paragraph the phrase "authority having jurisdiction" and substitute in lieu thereof the term "electrical subcode official" and add after "effective safety" the phrase "as provided in N.J.A.C. 5:23-2.9." Delete in the third paragraph the phrase "authority having jurisdiction" and substitute in lieu thereof the term "electrical subcode official" and delete the phrase "by the jurisdiction" after the word "adopted."

ii. Section 90.5, entitled "Mandatory Rules, Permissive Rules, and Explanatory Material," is amended to add "except as outlined under N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.16(a)2i" after the word "Code" in line 6 under paragraph (C).

2. Chapter 1 of the electrical subcode, Article 100, entitled "Definitions," is amended as follows:

i. The definition of the term "approved" is amended to delete the phrase "the authority having jurisdiction" and substitute in lieu thereof, the phrase "electrical subcode official. Approval shall be in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.7."

ii. The definition of "Authority having jurisdiction" is replaced with "Unless otherwise specifically noted, the authority having jurisdiction for the Electrical Subcode shall be the Electrical Subcode Official."

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

3. Chapter 2 of the electrical subcode, entitled "Wiring and Protection," is amended as follows:

i. Section 210.8(A)(2) and (5) of Article 210, entitled Branch Circuits, is deleted; it is replaced by Section 210.8(A)(2) and (5) and the exceptions in the National Electrical Code 2005 as follows:

"210.8(A)(2) – Garages, and also accessory buildings that have a floor located at or below grade level not intended as habitable rooms and limited to storage areas, work areas, and areas of similar use.

Exception No. 1 to (2) – Receptacles that are not readily accessible.

Exception No. 2 to (2) – A single receptacle or a duplex receptacle for two appliances located within dedicated space for each appliance that, in normal use, is not easily moved from one place to another and that is cord-and-plug connected in accordance with 400.7(A)(6), (A)7, or (A)(8).

Receptacles installed under the exceptions to 210.8(A)(2) shall not be considered as meeting the requirements of 210.52(G).

210.8(A)(5) – Unfinished basements: For purposes of this section, unfinished basements are defined as portions or areas of the basement not intended as habitable rooms and limited to storage areas, work areas, and the like.

Exception No. 1 to (5) – Receptacles that are not readily accessible.

Exception No. 2 to (5) – A single receptacle or a duplex receptacle for two appliances located within dedicated space for each appliance that, in normal use, is not easily moved from one place to another and that is cord-and-plug connected in accordance with 400.7(A)(6), (A)7, or (A)(8).

Exception No. 3 to (5) – A receptacle supplying only a permanently installed fire alarm or burglar alarm system shall not be required to have ground-fault circuit-interrupter protection.

Receptacles installed under the exceptions to 210.8(A)(5) shall not be considered as meeting the requirements of 210.52(G)."

ii. Section 210.8(A)10, Dwelling Units (Ground-fault Circuit-Interrupter Protection for Personnel) shall be deleted.

iii. In Section 210.12(A), entitled "Arc-Fault Circuit-Interrupter Protection. Dwelling Units," "kitchens" and "laundry areas" shall be deleted.