

**TITLE 748. UNIFORM BUILDING CODE COMMISSION  
CHAPTER 17. EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

**RULE IMPACT STATEMENT**

**Subchapter 1. Regional Training**

748:17-1-1. Purpose [NEW]

748:17-1-2. Definitions [NEW]

748:17-1-3. Regional continuing education courses [NEW]

748:17-1-4. Regional training held or sponsored by the OUBCC [NEW]

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1. **DESCRIPTION:** The purpose of these permanent rules is to continue implementation of 59 O.S. §§1000.20 - 1000.29 (the "Act") originally enacted by SB1182, effective June 2, 2009, creating the Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission. Subsequently, SB417, effective August 5, 2014, was adopted that added Section 1000.23 (D), which among other things established a requirement to provide regional training for the purpose of training the county and municipal inspectors in the Uniform Building Codes. These permanent rules adopt guidelines for conducting regional training for residential and commercial building inspectors, held or sponsored by the OUBCC on the residential and commercial building construction codes adopted by the OUBCC for implementation in the State of Oklahoma.
2. **CLASSES OF PERSONS AFFECTED:** All Residential and Commercial Building Code Inspectors and others interested in attending will be affected by receiving training on the residential and commercial building codes adopted by the OUBCC for implementation in the State of Oklahoma. This training will allow for more uniformity in inspection residential and commercial building structures in the State of Oklahoma.
3. **CLASSES OF PERSONS BENEFITTED:** Every person in Oklahoma who enters in a newly constructed or altered structure wherein work has been performed pursuant to adopted codes of the OUBCC will benefit by these permanent rules insofar as these rules set forth guidelines for training on the statewide minimum codes for residential and commercial building construction deemed necessary for the public health, safety, and welfare of Oklahoma citizens. In so far as these permanent rules provide for training on the modern and uniform codes of residential and commercial construction to be applied by construction, electrical, fuel gas, mechanical, plumbing, and fire contractors, and to be inspected by residential and building inspectors; these rules will benefit every person in Oklahoma, citizen and non-citizen alike.
4. **ECONOMIC IMPACT:** The economic impact of the permanent rules proposed in Title 748, Chapter 17 is expected to be minimal in nature. Residential and Commercial Building Code Inspectors and others interested will be able to attend regional training on the uniform residential and commercial building codes throughout the State of Oklahoma.

5. **COSTS AND BENEFITS TO THE AGENCY:** The proposed permanent rules provide no adverse cost and no negative effect to the OUBCC.
6. **ECONOMIC IMPACT ON POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS:** The permanent rules proposed in Title 748, Chapter 17 will not have an economic impact on any political subdivision in the State of Oklahoma which is greater than any economic impact placed on such entities by the Act itself.
7. **ECONOMIC IMPACT ON SMALL BUSINESS:** The proposed permanent rules are not reasonably expected to have a significant economic impact on small businesses. Any changes of small business practices will be nominal as regional training will be provided throughout the state on an on-going basis and will not adversely affect private training enterprises in any one geographic area over the state over any other.
8. **MEASURES TAKEN TO MINIMIZE COMPLIANCE COSTS:** The permanent rules proposed in Title 748, Chapter 17 are not expected to have any provisions which impose upon any person or entity a known cost of compliance and, therefore, there is no less costly or non-regulatory method for achieving the purpose of the proposed rules.
9. **EFFECT OF THE PROPOSED RULES ON PUBLIC HEALTH:** The adoption of the permanent rules creates a positive effect on the public health, safety, and welfare of Oklahoma citizens by training residential and commercial building code inspectors and others interested on implementing modern and uniform construction codes in the State of Oklahoma.
10. **DETRIMENTS TO PUBLIC HEALTH IF THE RULE IS NOT ADOPTED:** If the proposed permanent rules set forth in Title 748 Chapter 17 are not adopted, the OUBCC will not be in compliance with the requirements of the Act.
11. **This rule impact statement was prepared on November 19, 2015.**