TITLE 748. UNIFORM BUILDING CODE COMMISSION
CHAPTER 20. ADOPTED CODES

RULE IMPACT STATEMENT

Subchapter 3. IFC® 2015
748:20-3-1. Adoption of International Fire Code®, 2015 Edition (IFC® 2015) [AMENDED AND RENUMBERED TO 748:20-4-1.]
748:20-3-2. Effect of Adoption [AMENDED AND RENUMBERED TO 748:20-4-2.]
748:20-3-3. IFC® 2015 and Other Appendices [AMENDED AND RENUMBERED TO 748:20-4-3.]
748:20-3-4. IFC® 2015 Provisions Adopted and Modified [AMENDED AND RENUMBERED TO 748:20-4-4.]
748:20-3-5. Participation in Federal Programs and/or Federally Funded or Financed Projects [AMENDED AND RENUMBERED TO 748:20-4-5.]
748:20-3-6. IFC® 2015 Chapter 1 Scope and Administration [AMENDED AND RENUMBERED TO 748:20-4-6.]
748:20-3-7. IFC® 2015 Chapter 2 Definitions [AMENDED AND RENUMBERED TO 748:20-4-7.]
748:20-3-7.1. IFC® 2015 Chapter 3 General Requirements [AMENDED AND RENUMBERED TO 748:20-4-8.]
748:20-3-8. IFC® 2015 Chapter 5 Fire Service Features [AMENDED AND RENUMBERED TO 748:20-4-10.]
748:20-3-11. IFC® 2015 Chapter 9 Fire Protection Systems [AMENDED AND RENUMBERED TO 748:20-4-14.]
748:20-3-12. IFC® 2015 Chapter 10 Means of Egress [AMENDED AND RENUMBERED TO 748:20-4-15.]
748:20-3-13. IFC® 2015 Chapter 11 Construction Requirements for Existing Buildings [AMENDED AND RENUMBERED TO 748:20-4-16.]
748:20-3-13.2. IFC® 2015 Chapter 23 Motor Fuel-Dispensing Facilities and Repair Garages [AMENDED AND RENUMBERED TO 748:20-4-28.]
748:20-3-13.3. IFC® 2015 Chapter 55 Cryogenic Fluids [AMENDED AND RENUMBERED TO 748:20-4-60.]
748:20-3-13.4. IFC® 2015 Chapter 57 Flammable and Combustible Liquids [AMENDED AND RENUMBERED TO 748:20-4-62.]
748:20-3-13.5. IFC® 2015 Chapter 61 Liquefied Petroleum Gases [AMENDED AND RENUMBERED TO 748:20-4-66.]
748:20-3-14. IFC® 2015 Chapter 80 Referenced Standards [AMENDED AND RENUMBERED TO 784:20-4-85.]
748:20-3-15. Appendix N, Egress Path Markings for Existing Buildings [AMENDED AND RENUMBERED TO 748:20-4-86.]

Subchapter 4. IFC® 2018 [NEW]
748:20-4-1. Adoption of the International Fire Code®, 2018 Edition (IFC® 2018) [NEW]
748:20-4-2. Effect of Adoption [NEW]
748:20-4-3. IFC® 2018 and other Appendices [NEW]
748:20-4-4. IFC® 2018 Provisions Adopted and Modified [NEW]
748:20-4.5. Participation in Federal Programs and/or Federally Funded or Financed Projects [NEW]  
748:20-4.6. IFC® 2018 Chapter 1 Scope and Administration [NEW]  
748:20-4.7. IFC® 2018 Chapter 2 Definitions [NEW]  
748:20-4.8. IFC® 2018 Chapter 3 General Requirements [NEW]  
748:20-4.9. IFC® 2018 Chapter 4 Emergency Planning and Preparedness [NEW]  
748:20-4.10. IFC® 2018 Chapter 5 Fire Service Features [NEW]  
748:20-4.11. IFC® 2018 Chapter 6 Building Services and Systems [NEW]  
748:20-4.12. IFC® Chapter 7 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.13. IFC® Chapter 8 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.15. IFC® 2018 Chapter 10 Means of Egress [NEW]  
748:20-4.16 IFC® 2018 Chapter 11 Construction Requirements for Existing Buildings [NEW]  
748:20-4.17. IFC® 2018 Chapter 12 Energy Systems [NEW]  
748:20-4.18. IFC® Chapter 13 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.19. IFC® Chapter 14 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.20. IFC® Chapter 15 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.21. IFC® Chapter 16 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.22. IFC® Chapter 17 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.23. IFC® Chapter 18 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.24. IFC® Chapter 19 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.25. IFC® Chapter 20 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.26. IFC® Chapter 21 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.27. IFC® Chapter 22 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.28. IFC® 2018 Chapter 23 Motor Fuel Dispensing Facilities and Repair Garages [NEW]  
748:20-4.29. IFC® Chapter 24 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.30. IFC® Chapter 25 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.31. IFC® Chapter 26 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.32. IFC® Chapter 27 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.33. IFC® Chapter 28 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.34. IFC® Chapter 29 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.35. IFC® Chapter 30 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.36. IFC® Chapter 31 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.37. IFC® Chapter 32 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.38. IFC® Chapter 33 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.39. IFC® Chapter 34 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.40. IFC® Chapter 35 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.41. IFC® Chapter 36 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.42. IFC® Chapter 37 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.43. IFC® Chapter 38 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.44. IFC® 2018 Chapter 39 Processing and Extraction Facilities [NEW]  
748:20-4.45. IFC® Chapter 40 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.46. IFC® Chapter 41 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.47. IFC® Chapter 42 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.48. IFC® Chapter 43 [RESERVED]  
748:20-4.49. IFC® Chapter 44 [RESERVED]
DESCRIPTION:
The purpose of these proposed amended permanent rules and proposed new permanent rules, is to continue implementation of 59 O.S. §1000.20 - 1000.29 (the "Act"), creating the Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission. These proposed permanent rules amend and renumber, or add new modifications the adoption the International Fire Code® (IFC®), and change the edition year from 2015 to 2018, for residential and commercial fire prevention and fire protection systems in the State of Oklahoma.
Oklahoma.

**CLASSES OF PERSONS AFFECTED:**
These proposed amended permanent rules and proposed new rules govern construction contractors with regard for residential and commercial fire prevention and fire protection systems in the State of Oklahoma. These proposed permanent rules also affect State agencies, municipalities and other political subdivisions which administer or enforce building and construction codes in the State of Oklahoma.

**CLASSES OF PERSONS BENEFITTED:**
Every person in Oklahoma who enters or works in a newly constructed or altered building wherein work has been performed pursuant to the codes of Oklahoma modified and adopted IFC® 2018, will benefit by these proposed permanent rules insofar as these rules set forth statewide minimum codes residential and commercial fire prevention and fire protection systems deemed necessary for the public health, safety, and welfare of Oklahoma citizens. In so far as these proposed permanent rules provide for modern and uniform codes for residential and commercial fire prevention and fire protection systems to be applied by fire contractors these rules will benefit every person in Oklahoma, citizen and resident alike.

**ECONOMIC IMPACT:**
The economic impact of the proposed amended permanent rules and proposed new rules in Title 748, Chapter 20 is expected to be minimal in that the only persons directly affected will be fire contractors, land and building owners, and State and local code administration and enforcement authorities who are, for the most part, already conducting business subject to some form of applicable building code or recognized construction standard.

**COSTS AND BENEFITS TO THE AGENCY:**
The proposed amended permeant rules and proposed new rules provide no adverse cost and no negative effect to the OUBCC.

**ECONOMIC IMPACT ON POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS:**
The proposed amended rules and proposed new rules in Title 748, Chapter 20, Subchapters 3 and 4 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.

**ECONOMIC IMPACT ON SMALL BUSINESS:**
The proposed amended permanent rules and proposed new rules are reasonably not expected to have a significant economic impact on small businesses. Any changes of small business practices, particularly commercial construction, which arise as a result of the adoption of the IFC® 2018, as modified by the OUBCC and mandated by these proposed permanent rules will be nominal.

**MEASURES TAKEN TO MINIMIZE COMPLIANCE COSTS:**
The proposed amended permeant rules and proposed new rules in Title 748, Chapter 20, Subchapters 3 and 4 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.

**EFFECT OF THE PROPOSED RULES ON PUBLIC HEALTH:**
The modifications to the adoption of the IFC® 2018, as modified by the OUBCC creates a positive
effect on the public health, safety, and welfare of Oklahoma citizens by implementing modern and uniform commercial construction codes as the statewide minimum standards residential and commercial fire prevention and fire protection systems in the State of Oklahoma.

**DETRIMENTS TO PUBLIC HEALTH IF THE RULE IS NOT ADOPTED:**
If the proposed amended permanent rules and proposed new rules set forth in Title 748 Chapter 20, Subchapters 3 and 4 are not adopted, the OUBCC will not be able to modernize and update its statewide building codes in compliance with the requirements of the Act, and modern and uniform statewide building codes for commercial fire prevention and fire protection systems will not apply to the detriment to the health, safety, and welfare of Oklahoma citizens.

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