



PROPOSED RULE MAKING

CR-102 (June 2012)

(Implements RCW 34.05.320)

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Agency: State Building Code Council

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preproposal Statement of Inquiry was filed as WSR 12-03-107 _____ ; or	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Notice
<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule Making--Proposed notice was filed as WSR _____ ; or	<input type="checkbox"/> Supplemental Notice to WSR _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Proposal is exempt under RCW 34.05.310(4) or 34.05.330(1).	<input type="checkbox"/> Continuance of WSR _____

Title of rule and other identifying information: (Describe Subject) Adoption and amendment of the 2012 International Fire Code, WAC 51-54A; and repeal of WAC 51-54, 2009 International Fire Code, and all related amendments

Hearing location(s):
 September 14, 2012 September 21, 2012

Center Place Event Center **DES Presentation Room**
 2426 N. Discovery Place 1500 Jefferson SE
 Spokane Valley, WA 99216 Olympia, WA 98504

Date: Sept. 14/Sept. 21 Time: 10 a.m.

Submit written comments to:
 Name: Ray Allshouse, Chiar, State Building Code Council
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e-mail sbcc@ga.wa.gov
 fax (360) 586-9088 by (date) Sept. 21, 2012

Assistance for persons with disabilities: Contact
Peggy Bryden by Sept. 7, 2012
 TTY () _____ or (360) 407-9280

Date of intended adoption: November 9, 2012
 (Note: This is NOT the effective date)

Purpose of the proposal and its anticipated effects, including any changes in existing rules:
 The proposed rules adopt the most recently published edition of the IFC with proposed amendments (WAC 51-54A).
 These rules replace the 2009 IFC and existing amendments (WAC 51-54 which will be repealed).
 Please see page 3 for summary of proposed changes

Reasons supporting proposal: RCW 19.27.031 and RCW 19.27.074

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 19.27.031 and RCW 19.27.074

Statute being implemented: RCW 19.27 and RCW 34.05

Is rule necessary because of a:

Federal Law?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Federal Court Decision?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
State Court Decision?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

If yes, CITATION:

DATE
July 31, 2012

NAME (type or print)
C. Ray Allshouse

SIGNATURE

TITLE
Council Chair

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STATE OF WASHINGTON
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DATE: July 31, 2012

TIME: 3:33 PM

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Agency comments or recommendations, if any, as to statutory language, implementation, enforcement, and fiscal matters:

The Council is seeking comments on the issues proposed in the attached rules.

Name of proponent: (person or organization) Washington State Building Code Council

- Private
- Public
- Governmental

Name of agency personnel responsible for:

Name	Office Location	Phone
Drafting..... Joanne McCaughan	1500 Jefferson SE, PO Box 41449, Olympia WA	(360) 9279
Implementation....Joanne McCaughan	1500 Jefferson SE, PO Box 41449, Olympia WA	(360) 9279
Enforcement..... Local jurisdictions		()

Has a small business economic impact statement been prepared under chapter 19.85 RCW or has a school district fiscal impact statement been prepared under section 1, chapter 210, Laws of 2012?

Yes. Attach copy of small business economic impact statement or school district fiscal impact statement.
See the SBEIS by following this link: [2012 Fire Code SBEIS](#)

A copy of the statement may be obtained by contacting:

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Olympia, WA 98504-1449

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The State Building Code Council is not one of the agencies identified as required to prepare a school district impact statement.

No. Explain why no statement was prepared.

Is a cost-benefit analysis required under RCW 34.05.328?

Yes A preliminary cost-benefit analysis may be obtained by contacting:

Name:

Address:

phone () _____

fax () _____

e-mail _____

No: Please explain: The State Building Code Council is not one of the agencies identified as required to prepare an analysis.

Summary of changes to existing rules:

1. WAC 51-54 will be repealed entirely, including the repeal of all state amendments.
2. WAC 51-54A will be adopted to include the adoption of the 2012 International Fire Code (IFC).
3. The 2012 IFC was completely re-organized and re-numbered by the International Code Council, from 47 to 80 chapter headings, with 30 chapters held in reserve for future use.
4. WAC 51-54A-0202 Definitions – this section will consolidate all definitions for the code into one chapter; definitions were previously scattered throughout the various chapters.
5. WAC 51-54A-0300 will duplicate the amendments previously adopted.
6. WAC 51-54A-0400 will duplicate the amendments previously adopted, except for revisions to remove any references to lockdown procedures involving fire service personnel.
7. WAC 51-54A-0500 will duplicate the amendments previously adopted.
8. WAC 51-54A-0600 will revise amendments to section 609 and 609.2 regarding Type 1 hoods, and will duplicate the other amendments previously adopted in 600 and 609.3.
9. WAC 51-54A-0800 will duplicate the amendments previously adopted to 806.1.1 and 806.1.2 and Table 806.1.2.
10. WAC 51-54A-0900 will duplicate seven amendments previously adopted; four previously adopted amendments will be deleted. Issues related to carbon monoxide detection devices are modified in 908.7 and 908.7.1.
11. WAC 51-54A-1000 will duplicate the amendments previously adopted.
12. WAC 51-54A-1100 provides two options to address the issue of Photoluminescent stair marking requirements.
13. WAC 51-54A-1200 through WAC 51-54A-8000 are renumbered and will mainly duplicate the amendments previously adopted under their old chapter headings.
14. WAC 51-54A-5306 will adopt new medical gas standards.

The remaining changes are in response to editorial changes or reorganizational moves in the 2012 IFC.