STATE BUILDING CODE INTERPRETATION NO. 09-01

CODE: 2006 International Residential Code
2006 Uniform Plumbing Code

SECTION: IRC Section R307.1, UPC Sections 407.6 and 411.7

QUESTION: There are conflicting requirements in the IRC and UPC regarding minimum shower compartment sizing (900 in² vs. 1024 in²) and water closet placement (21” clear space vs. 24” clear space). Would the UPC, being more restrictive, take precedence?

ANSWER: No. In this particular case, the requirements in the IRC, as the first named code, would take precedence as stated in RCW 19.27.031.

SUPERSEDES: None

REQUESTED BY: City of Shoreline