



Washington State Building Code Council

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STATE BUILDING CODE INTERPRETATION NO. 19-02

CODE: 2015 International Building Code

SECTION: 1104.4

QUESTION 1: Can portions of the second floor be subtracted in order to calculate the square footage of the floor with regard to the accessible route?

ANSWER: **No. Exception 1 defines aggregate area. Aggregate area is defined to mean the area as a whole or mass.**

QUESTION 2: Do you calculate the square footage for the accessible route based on Gross or Net SF?

ANSWER: **Floor Area Gross would be in line with the required aggregate area.**

QUESTION 3: Can you subtract equipment spaces per Section 1103.2.9?

ANSWER: **No, Section 1103.2.9 only allows it to be exempt from the requirement, not as a square foot deduction.**

SUPERSEDES: None

REQUESTED BY: City of Vancouver