



RULE-MAKING ORDER EMERGENCY RULE ONLY

CR-103E (December 2017) (Implements RCW 34.05.350 and 34.05.360)

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DATE: October 21, 2021

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WSR 21-22-006

Agency: State Building Code Council

Effective date of rule:

Emergency Rules

- Immediately upon filing.
- Later (specify) _____

Any other findings required by other provisions of law as precondition to adoption or effectiveness of rule?

- Yes
 - No
- If Yes, explain:

Purpose: To reinsert erroneously removed code back into WAC 51-50 specifically addressing elevator car / ambulance stretcher requirements for R-1, R-2 and I occupancies.

Citation of rules affected by this order:

New: 1
 Repealed:
 Amended:
 Suspended:

Statutory authority for adoption: RCW 19.27.031

Other authority: RCW 19.27.074

EMERGENCY RULE

Under RCW 34.05.350 the agency for good cause finds:

- That immediate adoption, amendment, or repeal of a rule is necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, or general welfare, and that observing the time requirements of notice and opportunity to comment upon adoption of a permanent rule would be contrary to the public interest.
- That state or federal law or federal rule or a federal deadline for state receipt of federal funds requires immediate adoption of a rule.

Reasons for this finding: To more clearly define elevator car & ambulance stretcher requirements and provide more stringent requirements for R-1, R-2 and I occupancies.

**Note: If any category is left blank, it will be calculated as zero.
No descriptive text.**

**Count by whole WAC sections only, from the WAC number through the history note.
A section may be counted in more than one category.**

The number of sections adopted in order to comply with:

Federal statute:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Federal rules or standards:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Recently enacted state statutes:	New	1	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____

The number of sections adopted at the request of a nongovernmental entity:

New Amended Repealed _____

The number of sections adopted on the agency's own initiative:


New 1 Amended Repealed _____

The number of sections adopted in order to clarify, streamline, or reform agency procedures:

New _____ Amended _____ Repealed _____

The number of sections adopted using:

Negotiated rule making:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Pilot rule making:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____
Other alternative rule making:	New	_____	Amended	_____	Repealed	_____

Date Adopted: October 15, 2021	Signature: 
Name: Andrew S. Klein	
Title: Chair, State Building Code Council	

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 20-01-090, filed 12/12/19, effective 7/1/20)

WAC 51-50-30020 (~~(Reserved.)~~) **Section 30020—Hoistway enclosures. 3002.4 Elevator car to accommodate ambulance stretcher.** In buildings provided with an elevator, at least one elevator shall provide fire department emergency access to all floors served in:

1. Buildings four or more stories above or below grade plane; and
2. Any R-1, R-2 or I occupancy building regardless of the number of stories.

The elevator car shall be of a size and arrangement to accommodate a 24-inch by 84-inch (610 mm by 2134 mm) ambulance stretcher with not less than 5-inch (127 mm) radius corners, in the horizontal, open position. The elevator shall be identified by the international symbol for emergency medical services (star of life). The symbol shall not be less than 3 inches (76 mm) in height and shall be placed inside on both sides of the hoistway door frame on both the designated level and the alternate level.

EXCEPTION: Private residence elevators are not required to comply with this section.