

Washington State Building Code Council

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STATE BUILDING CODE OPINION July-01 Draft

CODE: 2021 International Residential Code

SECTION: R101.2 Scope

QUESTION 1: Is an Adult Family Home a "care facility" in the context of R101.2,

Exceptions 4, 5, and 6 whereby automatic fire sprinklers would be

required?

ANSWER: No. Adult Family Homes are included in R101.2 Scope and do not require

the use of one of the exceptions. Further, Washington State has created

an entire code section specifically addressing Adult Family Home

requirements, R330. If sprinklers were intended, they would be included in

R330 with the other special requirements.

SUPERSEDES: None

REQUESTED BY: Cowlitz County, City of Mount Vernon