Regulatory Analysis Form (Completed by Promulgating Agency)	INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION RECEIVED
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(1) Agency	NOV - 5 2021
Department of Labor and Industry	Independent Regulatory Review Commission
(2) Agency Number: 12	IRRC Number:
Identification Number: 115	3321
(3) PA Code Cite: 34 Pa. Code, Part XIV, Chapter 40	3
(4) Short Title: Uniform Construction Code	
(5) Agency Contacts (List Telephone Number and En	nail Address):
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Secondary Contact: Robert C. Schramm, Deputy Ch (717) 787-4186, <u>rschramm@pa.gov</u>	ef Counsel, Office of Chief Counsel,
(6) Type of Rulemaking (check applicable box):	
Proposed Regulation	Emergency Certification Regulation;
Final Regulation	Certification by the Governor
Final Omitted Regulation	Certification by the Attorney General
(7) Briefly explain the regulation in clear and nontech	nical language. (100 words or less)
These regulations update the Uniform Construction C of the International Building Code of 2021 (IBC), iss addition, the regulations adopt the accessibility provis 2021 (IPC), the International Existing Building Code and Spa Code of 2021 (ISPSC). Section 304(a)(3), 3 Construction Code Act (PCCA) requires the Departm accessibility provisions of the most recently publish accessibility requirements which shall be specified the Uniform Construction Code relating to persons	ued by the International Code Council (ICC). In sions found in the International Plumbing Code of of 2021 (IEBC) and the International Swimming Pool 5 P.S. § 7210.304(a)(3), of the Pennsylvania tent to adopt, in the year of its issuance, the ed edition of the ICC codes and any other in the regulations or contained in or referenced by
(8) State the statutory authority for the regulation. In	clude specific statutory citation.

This final-omitted rulemaking is promulgated under the authority provided in Section 304(a)(3) of the PCCA, 35 P.S. § 7210.304(a)(3), which requires the Department to adopt, in the year of its issuance, the accessibility provisions of the most recently published edition of the ICC codes and any other accessibility requirements, which shall be specified in the regulations or contained in or referenced by the Uniform Construction Code relating to persons with disabilities.

The final-omitted procedure is appropriate under the Commonwealth Documents Law because the full regulatory process is impracticable since the PCCA requires the Department to adopt the updated accessibility provisions of the ICC codes without change. *See* 45 P.S. § 1204(a)(3).

(9) Is the regulation mandated by any federal or state law or court order, or federal regulation? Are there any relevant state or federal court decisions? If yes, cite the specific law, case or regulation as well as, any deadlines for action.

Yes. Section 304(a)(3) of the PCCA, 35 P.S. §7210.304(a)(3), directs the Department to promulgate regulations updating accessibility standards under Chapter 3 of the Act, which requires the Department to adopt, in the year of its issuance, the accessibility provisions of the most recently published edition of the ICC codes and any other accessibility requirements which shall be specified in the regulations, or contained in or referenced by the Uniform Construction Code relating to persons with disabilities.

(10) State why the regulation is needed. Explain the compelling public interest that justifies the regulation. Describe who will benefit from the regulation. Quantify the benefits as completely as possible and approximate the number of people who will benefit.

The updates made by these regulations are mandated by the PCCA. Section 304(a)(3) of the PCCA, 35 P.S. §7210.304(a)(3), directs the Department, to adopt, in the year of its issuance, the accessibility provisions of the most recently published edition of the ICC codes and any other accessibility requirements which shall be specified in the regulations, or contained in or referenced by the Uniform Construction Code relating to persons with disabilities.

The accessibility regulations will allow individuals with disabilities to fully access commercial buildings and use all the features found therein. The Department does not have statistics about how many people will benefit from the updated regulations.

(11) Are there any provisions that are more stringent than federal standards? If yes, identify the specific provisions and the compelling Pennsylvania interest that demands stronger regulations.

There are no provisions that are more stringent than federal standards. There are no federal laws that adopt building code standards. The federal Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101-12213, mandates that certain buildings and facilities comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines (ADAAG). The proposed regulations adopt Chapter 11 of the IBC 2021, which adopts by reference ICC/ANSI A117.1. The ICC/ANSI A117.1 standards are consistent with the federal ADAAG accessibility standards.

(12) How does this regulation compare with those of the other states? How will this affect Pennsylvania's ability to compete with other states?

All 50 states and the District of Columbia have adopted versions of ICC's codes. These regulations will update Pennsylvania's accessibility standards to the IBC 2021 edition of Chapter 11 and Appendix E for new construction and IEBC 2021 for existing buildings. They will also adopt accessibility provisions found in the IPC and ISPSC

The Department does not anticipate that this regulation will affect Pennsylvania's ability to compete with other states as other states are adopting versions of the same codes into their regulations.

(13) Will the regulation affect any other regulations of the promulgating agency or other state agencies? If yes, explain and provide specific citations.

This regulation changes the UCC by adopting accessibility updates to the ICC codes. The Department does not anticipate that this regulation will affect any other regulations or other state agencies.

(14) Describe the communications with and solicitation of input from the public, any advisory council/group, small businesses and groups representing small businesses in the development and drafting of the regulation. List the specific persons and/or groups who were involved. ("Small business" is defined in Section 3 of the Regulatory Review Act, Act 76 of 2012.)

On July 15, 2021, the Department sought input from the Accessibility Advisory Board, created under section 106 of the PCCA, 35. P.S. § 7210.106. The Accessibly Advisory Board consists of members appointed by the Secretary, including members with physical disabilities, an architect, a member of the business community, a representative of the multifamily housing industry, and a municipal official. Pursuant to Section 106(b) of the PCCA, 35 P.S. § 7210.106(b), the Accessibility Advisory Board met on July 15, 2021 and reviewed the proposed regulation. The Accessibility Advisory Board expressed no concern with the proposed changes.

The Department has also discussed the adoption of accessibility provisions for existing buildings with

the Pennsylvania Builders Association and the Pennsylvania Building Code Officials organizations and both entities have expressed support of adopting the accessibility provisions of IBC 2021 for new construction and the accessibility provisions contained in the IEBC 2021 for existing buildings.

(15) Identify the types and number of persons, businesses, small businesses (as defined in Section 3 of the Regulatory Review Act, Act 76 of 2012) and organizations which will be affected by the regulation. How are they affected?

The Department does not possess data on the numbers of people, businesses and small businesses that will be affected by this regulation. Local governments and third-party inspection agencies enforcing the UCC and the Department are affected in that they will need to absorb the cost of updating their code materials and their code enforcement staff may require training on the changes.

(16) List the persons, groups or entities, including small businesses, that will be required to comply with the regulation. Approximate the number that will be required to comply.

The Department does not collect data on the number of people, groups and entities that will be required to comply with this regulation. Building and facility contractors, design professionals, manufactured housing and modular building manufacturers, building and facility owners, developers, local municipalities, construction code officials, third party inspection agencies and the Department must comply with this regulation.

(17) Identify the financial, economic and social impact of the regulation on individuals, small businesses, businesses and labor communities and other public and private organizations. Evaluate the benefits expected as a result of the regulation.

The regulated community will be financially impacted by the cost of compliance with updated building codes; however, the PCCA requires the Department to update the accessibility regulations and prescribes the standards that the Department must adopt. 35 P.S. § 7210.304(a)(3). The benefits of adopting these regulations include providing the most recent widely recognized standards for ensuring Pennsylvania's buildings and structures are accessible and usable by people with disabilities, while protecting the life, health, and property for the Commonwealth's citizens.

(18) Explain how the benefits of the regulation outweigh any cost and adverse effects.

The PCCA requires the Department to promulgate this regulation and does not permit the Department to undertake a cost-benefit analysis. This regulation provides for updated building codes, which will

improve the accessibility and safety of buildings constructed or altered in the Commonwealth, providing inherent benefits to citizens of the Commonwealth.

(19) Provide a specific estimate of the costs and/or savings to the **regulated community** associated with compliance, including any legal, accounting or consulting procedures which may be required. Explain how the dollar estimates were derived.

The regulated community is required to absorb the cost of compliance with the new or altered standards mandated by these regulations. It is impossible to estimate the cost of compliance since the number of projects and the design of each individual project is unknown. Third-party agencies that perform UCC inspection may incur costs associated with updating their code materials.

The total cost to purchase a complete set of the 2021 ICC code materials is \$1,297.00 per set. The cost to purchase individual code materials is as follows: IBC-\$164.00, IEBC-\$89.00, IPC-\$99.00 and ISPSC-\$91.00.

The total cost to purchase ANSI A117.1 is \$50.00.

The total cost to purchase ANSI B77.1-2017 is \$200.00

(20) Provide a specific estimate of the costs and/or savings to the **local governments** associated with compliance, including any legal, accounting or consulting procedures which may be required. Explain how the dollar estimates were derived.

Local municipalities that have opted to enforce the UCC may incur costs associated with updating their code materials.

The total cost to purchase a complete set of the 2021 ICC code materials is \$1,297.00 per set. The cost to purchase individual code materials is as follows: IBC \$164.00, IEBC \$89.00, IPC \$99.00, ISPSC \$91.00.

The total cost to purchase ANSI A117.1 is \$50.00.

The total cost to purchase ANSI B77.1-2017 is \$200.00

Municipalities may need to purchase multiple copies of the code books depending on the number of employees assigned to its building code program. Municipalities that contract with third-party inspection agencies may incur no additional expense. Municipalities may also incur costs of any necessary training required by its code officials concerning the new standards.

(21) Provide a specific estimate of the costs and/or savings to the state government associated with the implementation of the regulation, including any legal, accounting, or consulting procedures which may be required. Explain how the dollar estimates were derived.

The Department is already incurring costs to comply with the regulations that will update other sections of the current code. Accordingly, the only additional costs incurred will be the purchasing of ANSI A117.1 2017.

The enforcement costs will be similar to the costs incurred by the current UCC enforcement program. The Department's SFY 20-21 cost for the UCC enforcement program is approximately \$6,718,979.

The Department will incur costs for staff training concerning the new standards adopted through this regulation, at approximately \$800 per individual, for a total of \$40,000.

(22) For each of the groups and entities identified in items (19)-(21) above, submit a statement of legal, accounting or consulting procedures and additional reporting, recordkeeping or other paperwork, including copies of forms or reports, which will be required for implementation of the regulation and an explanation of measures which have been taken to minimize these requirements.

This proposed regulation will not add to nor significantly change the existing reporting, record keeping, or other paperwork requirements. Current forms will be updated following enactment of the regulation. The PCCA requires the Department to update these regulations. 35 P.S. §7210.304(a)(3).

(22a) Are forms required for implementation of the regulation?

Yes.

(22b) If forms are required for implementation of the regulation, attach copies of the forms here. If your agency uses electronic forms, provide links to each form or a detailed description of the information required to be reported. Failure to attach forms, provide links, or provide a detailed description of the information to be reported will constitute a faulty delivery of the regulation.

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(23) In the table below, provide an estimate of the fiscal savings and costs associated with implementation and compliance for the regulated community, local government, and state government for the current year and five subsequent years.

2021-2022	2022-	2023-2024	2024-2025	2025-	2026-2027
	2023			2026	

SAVINGS:	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Regulated Community	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
Local Government	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
State Government	1					-
Total Savings						1
COSTS:						
Regulated Community	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
Local Government	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
State Government	40,000					
Total Costs						
REVENUE LOSSES:						
Regulated Community	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
Local Government	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
State Government	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Revenue Losses	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown

(23a) Provide the past three year expenditure history for programs affected by the regulation.

Program	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021
UCC Enforcement	\$6,490,200	\$6,490,200	\$6,555,102	\$6,718,979
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(24) For any regulation that may have an adverse impact on small businesses (as defined in Section 3 of the Regulatory Review Act, Act 76 of 2012), provide an economic impact statement that includes the following:

(a) An identification and estimate of the number of small businesses subject to the regulation.

(b) The projected reporting, recordkeeping and other administrative costs required for compliance with the proposed regulation, including the type of professional skills necessary for preparation of the report or record.

- (c) A statement of probable effect on impacted small businesses.
- (d) A description of any less intrusive or less costly alternative methods of achieving the purpose of the proposed regulation.

There are approximately 187 small businesses certified with the Department as third-party agencies. These businesses are comprised of inspection agencies and engineering and architecture firms. The anticipated costs for these businesses are approximately \$1,347 for each UCC-certified employee. These costs are for the purchase of the 2021 ICC code books (\$1,297/set). There may also be costs associated with training UCC-certified staff. However, that will vary depending on the avenue the third-party agency pursues to provide training if it chooses to do so. The most cost-efficient method would be for the agency to permit the UCC-certified individuals to self-train or to provide training in-house.

A regulatory flexibility analysis was not conducted by the Department. The PCCA requires the Department to update these regulations without regard to potential impacts on small businesses. 35 P.S. §7210.304(a)(3).

(25) List any special provisions which have been developed to meet the particular needs of affected groups or persons including, but not limited to, minorities, the elderly, small businesses, and farmers.

No special provisions have been developed. The PCCA requires the Department to update these regulations and the Department is without discretion to modify them. 35 P.S. §7210.304(a)(3).

(26) Include a description of any alternative regulatory provisions which have been considered and rejected and a statement that the least burdensome acceptable alternative has been selected.

No alternatives may be considered. The PCCA requires the Department to update these regulations and the Department is without discretion to modify them. 35 P.S. §7210.304(a)(3).

(27) In conducting a regulatory flexibility analysis, explain whether regulatory methods were considered that will minimize any adverse impact on small businesses (as defined in Section 3 of the Regulatory Review Act, Act 76 of 2012), including:

- a) The establishment of less stringent compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses;
- b) The establishment of less stringent schedules or deadlines for compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses;
- c) The consolidation or simplification of compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses;
- d) The establishment of performance standards for small businesses to replace design or operational

standards required in the regulation; and

e) The exemption of small businesses from all or any part of the requirements contained in the regulation.

The Department has no flexibility with these regulations. The PCCA requires the Department to update these regulations and the Department is without discretion to modify them. 35 P.S. $\frac{7210.304(a)(3)}{3}$. As such, the Department did not conduct a regulatory flexibility analysis.

(28) If data is the basis for this regulation, please provide a description of the data, explain <u>in detail</u> how the data was obtained, and how it meets the acceptability standard for empirical, replicable and testable data that is supported by documentation, statistics, reports, studies or research. Please submit data or supporting materials with the regulatory package. If the material exceeds 50 pages, please provide it in a searchable electronic format or provide a list of citations and internet links that, where possible, can be accessed in a searchable format in lieu of the actual material. If other data was considered but not used, please explain why that data was determined not to be acceptable.

The regulation was not based on the collection of data.

(29) Include a schedule for review of the regulation including:	
A. The length of the public comment period:	N/A
B. The date or dates on which any public meetings or hearings will be held:	July 15, 2021
C. The expected date of delivery of the final-form regulation:	November 5, 2021
D. The expected effective date of the final-form regulation:	Upon publication of the final form rulemaking in the <i>Pennsylvania Bulletin</i>
E. The expected date by which compliance with the final-form regulation will be required:	Upon publication of the final form rulemaking in the <i>Pennsylvania Bulletin</i>
F. The expected date by which required permits, licenses or other approvals must be obtained:	Upon publication of the final form rulemaking in the <i>Pennsylvania Bulletin</i>

(30) Describe the plan developed for evaluating the continuing effectiveness of the regulations after its implementation.

The PCCA requires the Department to update these regulations and the Department is without discretion to modify them. 35 P.S. §7210.304(a)(3). However, the ICC codes are updated every three years. Presumably, these codes will update the accessibility requirements and the Department will accordingly update its regulations by December 31, 2024.



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Date: ___

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UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE (UCC) ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY BOARD PETITION

This form may be used to file an appeal, seek a variance or an extension of time. When variances are requested, as many variances as needed may be sought via this petition. Once this petition has been submitted, no changes may be made, and any additional variance requests must be filed via a separate (new) petition. Type or print legibly all requested information.

EXPEDITE REVIEW. ADDITIONAL FEE SUBMITTED.

Construction Site (Required) Applicant or Contact Person (Required)	Building or Structure Name Tenant Name Street Number and Name City Zip Code Political Subdivision Contact Person Company Name Street Address
	CityStateZip Code
	TelephoneFax_Fax
Filing Requirements (Required)	 Completed application and any additional information sheets. Two (2) sets of assembled and bound drawings on paper sized at a minimum of 18 in. x 24 in. and drawn to an acceptable architectural scale (preferably 1/4 in. = 1 ft.). If variance concerns accessible route into the structure, a detailed site plan must be provided. Petition form may contain multiple variance requests. FEE SCHEDULE : For an up-to-date listing of fees, please see the Fee Schedule listed on our website (www.dll.pa.gov/Individuals/Labor-Management-Relations/bois) or contact our office for a copy of the Fee Schedule by telephone at 717-787-3806 option 1 or by fax at 717-783-5002. Submit the application, all necessary documentation and check or money order for the appropriate fee, made payable to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvaniato: Department of Labor & Industry Accessibility Advisory Board 651 Boas Street, Room 1600 Harrisburg, PA 17121-0750 Direct questions to: 717-787-3329 website information: www.dll.pa.gov
Code Information (Required)	Construction involves New Building
	Construction involves Existing Building
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Municipal	RCO Nome
Code Official	BCO Name Telephone
Information	Does the Municipality have an "Accessibility Inspector/Plan Examiner"? Yes No If yes, Name of Individual
Appeal of	Please check which of the following form the basis for your appeal:
Building Code Official (BCO) Decision	The true intent of the Pennsylvania Construction Code Act (PCCA) or the UCC was incorrectly interpreted.
(If Applicable)	The provisions of the PCCA do not apply to this construction.
	An equivalent form of construction was proposed for use.
	Please detail the grounds for appealing this decision, citing provisions of the PCCA or the UCC, or explaining how your proposed construction would be equivalent to that specified in the UCC. If additional space is required, please attach additional 8 ½" x 11" pages. (Include building name on each page.)
Extension of	L&I or Municipal Order No
Time Request (If Applicable)	Date Requested to Comply with L&t or Municipal Order
	Please attach copy of Order and detail the reasons for the extension. Also indicate whether, i granted, this will subject building occupants to conditions that do not comply with the UCC. If additional space is required, please attach additional 8 ½" x 11" pages.
Request for Variance(s) (If Applicable)	Please provide <u>all</u> of the following information <u>for each variance requested.</u> A failure to provide sufficient information will result in the return of your variance request(s) and delay the Board's consideration of your request(s).
	 Indicate what prompted the need to seek a variance. (Some examples: The use and occupancy classification is changing from a "U" to an "M"; the occupant load is changing, and the International Plumbing Code mandates an additional restroom; extensive alterations will be made to an area of primary function.) The <u>specific code</u> and the <u>section(s) of the code</u>, and <u>any referenced standard</u> mentioned in the specified section(s). Indicate on your plans what portions of the building will be affected by the variance request. Detail what your alternative approach entails and any measures that will provide an equivalent degree of compliance with the intent of the UCC.
	State the reasons for the requested variance, including why the strict letter of the code is impractical and why the modification would not lessen accessibility, health, life and fire safety or structural requirements in the listed code section(s). If additional space is required, please attach additional 8 1/2" x 11" pages.



File No.: ____

Date: ____

Permit No.: _____

APPLICATION FOR UCC BUILDING PERMIT

EXPEDITE REVIEW. ADDITIONAL FEE SUBMITTED.

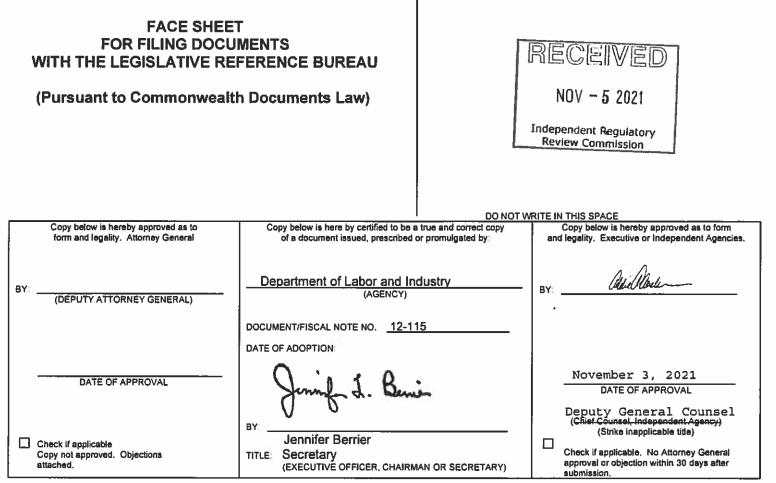
	Facility Name (name of company,	mall, institutio	on, university, etc.)	:	
Site Information	·				
information	Building and/or Tenant Name				
Political	Street Number and Name				
Subdivision and County names are	City	State	Zip Code		
required.	Political Subdivision:		County:		
	Accessibility Only Review		Addition		
Application	Alteration or Renovation		🗌 New Building		
Туре	New Structure/Facility		Partial Occupa	•	
	Phased Approval		Plan Revision/	Deferred Subm	ission
	Uncertified (Existing) Building				
Use/Occupancy			A-4 □A-5		Ē
Classification:			H-2 🗌 H-3		🗌 H-5
		I-3	I-4 🔲 M	🗌 R-1	🗌 R-2
Check box to left of applicable group.	R-3 Adult Care	R-3 🗌	R-4 🗍 S-1	□ S-2	🗋 ນ
Check all that apply.	Single Family Dwelling/Townho	use (must be s	state-owned)		
	Check each block below indicating	that all of the	following will be su	bmitted with th	is application:
Mandatory	Four (4) site plans				
Documents	One (1) completed copy of the				
	One (1) set of specifications (o	nly if Addition	, Alteration, New	Building/Stru	cture/Facility)
	Does this construction involve	Yes No	If "Yes," submit 1	copy of the lett	er described in
Special	modular units built in a factory?		Section J., 6., on Requirements" page	the "Plan Revie Is on the LICC w	wand inspection
Requirements &				·	
Documentation	Is this construction regulated by the Health Care Facilities Act?	🗍 Yes 🗌 No	If "Yes," submit 1 issued by the PA D		
	Is this construction exempt from	Yes 🗌 No	If "Yes ," submit 1	···-	
	energy code requirements?		the building or stru	icture will use n	either electricity
			nor fossil fuels, and	d thus is exemp	it per ASHRAE
			90.1, §2.3(B). If " No," submit 1 d	opy of the com	pliance
:			documentation des	cribed in Secti	on H., 7., on the
			"Plan Review and I on the UCC website		irements" page
	Is project in flood hazard area?		If "Yes," submit 1		the flood bazard
	is project in nood hazard area?		certifications mand	iated in section	1612.5 of the
			International Build	ing Code.	
	Are International Building Code	☐ Yes ☐ No	If "Yes," submit 1	copy of the UC	C-6 SPECIAL
	(Chapter 17) special inspections or		INSPECTIONS OBS		
	structural observations required?				<u> </u>
	Will an alternative construction method or material be used on	Yes No	If " Yes ," submit a that the proposed		
	this project?		requirements of 34		
	Is this application for "phased	☐Yes ☐ No	If "Yes," submit th	e statement des	scribed in
	approval"?		Section D., 4., on	the "Plan Revie	w and Inspection
	<u></u>		Requirements" pag		eosite.
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Project Data	Number of stories above grade
	Does it have a basement? 📋 Yes 🗌 No
	Total floor area (sq. ft.)
	Floor area new construction (sq. ft.)
	Floor area of addition (sq. ft.)
	Floor area renovated (sq. ft.)
	Estimated cost of construction \$
	(Required even if project is state-owned and exempt from permit fees.)
	Type(s) of construction per Chapter 6 of the <i>International Building Code</i> (check all that apply):
	Fire suppression: 📋 Full 🔲 Partial 🗍 None
	If application applies to an existing certified building, provide any prior file #, DI #,
	permit #, etc. associated with this project:
	File #:Permit #:
	DI #:Other (MA #/Fee #):
Building Code Data	Triennial ICC code version used for Building code compliance: 2009 2015 2018 If Alterations to existing certified building: (select applicable document used) IBC Chapter 34 International Existing Building Code (IEBC)
Accessibility	
Code Data	Triennial ICC code version for Accessibility code compliance/IBC Chapter 11 2015 2018 2021
Design Professional In Responsible Charge	Name
Design Professional In Responsible	Name
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Fees:	
List total sq. ft. of floor area:List estimated construction cost:I	f expedited review
pay \$1,048.74	
If new building or addition: pay \$336.65 base fee \$	
Plus, pay \$.68 multiplied by total sq. ft. of floor area \$	
If new structure or facility (other than building): pay \$1012.04 \$	
If alteration or renovation of existing building: pay \$336.65 base fee \$	
Plus, pay \$68.17 per each \$1000 of est.	construction cost \$_
If accessibility only review: pay \$676.45 \$	
If phased approval: pay \$300.00 \$	
If revision of approved plans or partial occupancy request: pay \$524.37 \$	
TOTAL FEES OWED \$	
Make check or money order payable to Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.	
Applicant's Certification:	
Note: THE BUILDING PERMIT AND THE CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY FOR THIS STRUCTURE WILL BE ISSUED TO AND IN THE NAME OF THE PERSON LIS	BUILDING OR TED BELOW.
As the owner or the authorized agent of the project for which this application is filed, I	certify that:
 The estimated construction cost and all other information provided as part of this building permit is correct. 	s application for a
 The building or structure described in this application will not be occupied until a violations are corrected and a Certificate of Occupancy has been received from the Labor & Industry. 	he Department of
 This project will be constructed in accordance with the approved drawings and sp any required non-design changes) and the Uniform Construction Code standards Code Chapters 401-405. 	pecifications(including as specified in 34 PA
4. Any changes to the approved documents will be filed with the Department of Lab	
If the licensed architect or engineer in responsible charge of this construction sho notice of the change will be provided to the Department of Labor & Industry.	
6. When required, up to 20% of the total cost of any work performed on an area of an existing building will be expended to provide an accessible route to the area of	of primary function.
 No error or omission in either the drawings and specifications or application, whe shall permit or relieve me from constructing the work in any manner other than Code Chapters 401-405. 	ether approved or not, provided for in 34 PA
Applicant Name	
Street Address	
CityZip Code	
Phone ()	
EmailDate	

Department of Labor & Industry | Bureau of Occupational & Industrial Safety | Building Plan Review Division 651 Boas Street | Room 1600 | Harrisburg, PA 17121-0750 | 717.787.3806 | Fax 717.783.5002 | www.dli.pa.gov



NOTICE OF FINAL-OMITTED RULEMAKING

TITLE 34. LABOR AND INDUSTRY

PART XIV. UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE

CHAPTER 401. UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION OF CODE ADMINISTRATORS

CHAPTER 403. ADMINISTRATION

FINAL-OMITTED RULEMAKING

Title 34 Labor and Industry Part XIV. Uniform Construction Code Chapters 401 and 403 [34 Pa. Code, Part XIV, Chapters 401 and 403]

In accordance with section 304 of the "Pennsylvania Construction Code Act," the act of November 10, 1999, (P.L. 491, N. 45) (PCCA), *as amended*, 35 P.S. §§ 7210.101 - 7210.1103, the Department of Labor and Industry (Department) amends Chapter 401 (relating to Uniform Construction Code (UCC) training and certification of code administrators) and Chapter 403 (relating to administration) to read as set forth in Annex A.

Statutory Authority

This final-omitted rulemaking is issued under the authority provided in section 304(a)(3), 35 P.S. § 7210.304(a)(3), of the PCCA. Section 304(a)(3) provides that, by December 31 of the year of issuance, the Department shall adopt regulations updating the accessibility provisions of the most recently published edition of the International Code Council (ICC) codes and any other accessibility requirements which shall be specified in the regulations or contained in or referenced by the UCC relating to persons with disabilities.

Background

The PCCA mandates a process for the adoption of updated building codes issued by the ICC. Although most building code provisions are reviewed by the Pennsylvania Uniform Construction Code Review and Advisory Council under the procedure outlined in Section 108 of the PCCA, 35 P.S. § 7210.108, the PCCA specifically excludes the accessibility provisions of the ICC codes from this review. 35 P.S. § 7210.107(b)(3). Instead, Section 304(a)(3) of the PCCA requires the Department to adopt, by December 31 of the year of issuance by the ICC, the ICC's updated accessibility standards for the construction, repair or alteration of buildings in the Commonwealth. In 2021, the ICC issued codes containing updated accessibility standards. Adoption of the current accessibility standards will ensure that commercial buildings meet current standards for accessible and usable facilities. These regulations will be effective upon publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

The purpose of these regulations is to adopt recognized international standards for accessible and usable buildings and structures, as directed by the PCCA. The current accessibility regulations implemented the accessibility standards found in the 2021 ICC codes. This regulation implements current state of the art accessibility standards and conforms to standards issued by the United States Department of Justice under the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. §§12101-12213). Adopting Chapter 11 and Appendix E of the 2021 International Building Code (IBC) for new construction along with the accessibility provisions contained in the 2021 International Existing Building Code (IEBC), the 2021 International Plumbing Code (IPC) and the 2021 International Swimming Pool and Spa Code (ISPSC) will allow the Department to comply

with the directive of the PCCA to update accessibility requirements in the Uniform Construction Code (UCC) with successor codes.

Compliance with Executive Order 1996-1, Regulatory Review and Promulgation

On July 15, 2021, the Accessibility Advisory Board (Board) held a public hearing to review and consider the updates to the accessibility provisions of the ICC codes. This is required by Section 106(b) of the PCCA, 35 P.S. § 106(b). The Board voted to endorse the accessibility updates found in the ICC codes. The Department has discussed the adoption of accessibility provisions for buildings with the Pennsylvania Builders Association and the Pennsylvania Association of Building Code Officials and both entities have expressed support for adoption of the accessibility provisions contained in the 2021 IBC for new construction and the accessibility provisions contained in the 2021 IEBC for existing buildings.

Purpose

The purpose of this final-omitted rulemaking is to amend 34 Pa. Code §§ 401.1, 403.21, 403.26 and 403.28 to adopt the ICC accessibility updates.

Summary of Proposed Rulemaking

34 Pa. Code § 401.1. Definitions.

This section changes the definitions for the IBC and the IEBC to state that they include the accessibility provisions of the 2021 IBC and the 2021 IEBC. This was done because the ICC updated the accessibility provisions of the IBC and IEBC.

34 Pa. Code § 403.21. Uniform Construction Code.

The Department is amending subparagraph (a)(2) to replace the accessibility provisions found in Chapter 11 of the 2018 IBC with the updated accessibility provisions of Chapter 11 of the 2021 IBC. This is being done to implement the latest accessibility standards.

The Department is amending subparagraph (a)(6)(iii) to replace the accessibility provisions found in the 2018 IPC with the updated accessibility provisions found in the 2021 IPC. This is being done to implement the latest accessibility standards.

The Department is amending subparagraph (a)(10)(i) to replace the accessibility provisions found in the 2018 IEBC with the updated accessibility provisions found in the 2021 IEBC. This is being done to implement the latest accessibility standards.

The Department is amending subparagraph (a)(12) to replace the accessibility provisions found in Appendix E of the 2018 IBC with the updated accessibility provisions of Appendix E of the 2021 IBC. This is being done to implement the latest accessibility standards.

34 Pa. Code § 403.26. Swimming pools.

The Department is amending paragraph (b) to replace the accessibility provisions found in the 2018 ISPSC with the updated accessibility provisions found in the 2021 ISPSC. This is being done to implement the latest accessibility standards.

34 Pa. Code § 403.28. Uncertified buildings.

The Department is amending subparagraphs (b)(3)(ii) and (b)(3)(iii) to replace the accessibility provisions found in the 2018 IBC with the updated accessibility provisions of the 2021 IBC. This is being done to implement the latest accessibility standards.

Affected Persons

This regulation will affect all builders and contractors in the construction industry and all building code officials who enforce the regulations.

Fiscal Impact

To enforce these regulations, the Department and building code officials will need to purchase the 2021 IBC, IEBC, IPC and ISPSC.

Builders and contractors will have to absorb some costs to comply with the updated standards. The Department does not possess specific data on any increase of costs to builders or contractors.

Reporting, Recordkeeping and Paperwork Requirements

The Department will have to update the following forms: Accessibility Advisory Board Petition and Application for Building Permit. There are no additional reporting, record keeping or paperwork requirements.

Sunset Date

There is no sunset date for these regulations. The PCCA requires accessibility standards to be updated every three years following publication of the triennial revisions to the ICC codes.

Effective Date

This final-omitted regulation will take effect upon publication in the Pennsylvania Bulletin.

Contact Person

The contact person is Matthew W. Kegg, Director, Bureau of Occupational and Industrial Safety, Department of Labor & Industry, 651 Boas Street, Room 1613, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, 17121, (717) 783-6304; mkegg@pa.gov.

Regulatory Review

Under section 5.1(c) of the Regulatory Review Act, 71 P.S. § 745.5a(c), on November 5, 2021, the Department submitted a copy of this final-omitted rulemaking to the Chairpersons of the Senate Committee on Labor and Industry and the House Committee on Labor and Industry and to the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (IRRC). In addition to submitting the final-omitted rulemaking, the Department has provided the Committees and IRRC with a copy of a detailed Regulatory Analysis Form prepared by the Department. A copy of this material is available to the public upon request.

Under section 5.1(j.2) of the Regulatory Review Act, these final-omitted regulations were deemed approved by the Committees on ______. IRRC met on ______ and approved the regulations in accordance with section 5.1(e) of the Regulatory Review Act.

Findings

The Department finds that:

(a) Final-omitted rulemaking is allowed when procedures specified in Sections 201 and 202 of the Commonwealth Documents Law, 45 P.S. §§ 1201 and 1202, are impracticable, unnecessary or contrary to the public interest. 45 P.S. § 1204(3).

(b) Following the procedures outlined in Sections 201 and 202 of the Commonwealth Documents Law, 45 P.S. §§ 1201 and 1202, are impracticable and unnecessary since the Department is required to adopt the updated ICC accessibility codes without change.

Order

The Department, acting under authorizing statute, orders that:

(a) The regulations of the Department, 34 Pa. Code, Chapters 401 and 403, are amended by amending \S 401.1, 403.21. 403.26 and 403.28 to read as set forth in Annex A.

(b) The Department submitted these regulations to the Independent Regulatory Review Commission and the Senate and House Labor and Industry Committees.

(c) The Secretary of the Department shall certify this order and Annex A and deposit them with the Legislative Reference Bureau as required by law.

(d) This order shall become on the date of publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*.

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Annex A

TITLE 34. LABOR AND INDUSTRY PART XIV UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE CHAPTER 401. UNIFORM CONSTRUCTION CODE TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION OF CODE ADMINISTRATORS

§ 401.1. Definitions.

The following words and terms, when used in this part, have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise:

* * * *

International Accreditation Service, Inc.—The International Accreditation Service, Inc., 5360 Workman Mill Road, Whittier, California 90601.

International Building Code—An International Building Code issued by the ICC. Chapter 11 and Appendix E of the "International Building Code [2018] 2021" issued by the ICC. The term includes all errata issued by the ICC.

International Energy Conservation Code—An International Energy Conservation Code issued by the ICC. The term includes all errata issued by the ICC.

International Existing Building Code—An International Existing Building Code for Buildings and Facilities issued by the ICC. The accessibility provisions in the "International Existing Building Code for Buildings [2018] 2021" issued by the ICC. The term includes all errata issued by the ICC.

International Fire Code—An International Fire Code issued by the ICC. The term includes all errata issued by the ICC.

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CHAPTER 403. ADMINISTRATION.

§ 403.21. Uniform Construction Code.

- (a) The Department adopts and incorporates by reference the following codes as the Uniform Construction Code:
 - (1) The provisions of Chapters 2—10, 12—29 and 31—35 and Section 3006 (relating to elevator lobbies and hoistway opening protection) of the "International Building Code of 2015," except:
 - (i) In occupancies in Use Group R-3 and within dwelling units in occupancies in Use Group R-2 the maximum riser height shall be 8 1/4 inches (210 mm) and the minimum tread depth shall be 9 inches (229 mm). A 1-inch (25 mm) nosing shall be provided on stairways with solid risers.
 - (ii) That Section 913.2.2 (relating to circuits supplying fire pumps) is excluded.
 - (iii) That in Section 2609.4 (relating to area limitations and greenhouses), exception three is modified to include "or maintaining plants."
 - (2) Chapter 11 of the "International Building Code of [2018] 2021."
 - (3) The "International Mechanical Code of 2015."
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 - (6) The "International Plumbing Code of 2015" except:
 - (i) A municipality within a county of the second class may not administer and enforce the "International Plumbing Code" adopted under this chapter.
 - (ii) A municipality within a county of the second class that has adopted a plumbing code and accompanying rules and regulations under the Local Health Administration Law (16 P.S. §§ 12001—12028), shall retain the authority to promulgate and enforce this plumbing code and to make any

changes it deems necessary if the changes meet the Uniform Construction Code's minimum requirements.

- (iii) The accessibility provisions contained in the following sections of the
 "International Plumbing Code of [2018] 2021" are adopted:
 - (A) Section 403.4 (relating to signage).
 - * * * * *
- (10) The "International Existing Building Code of 2015" except that Section 101.2 (relating to scope) is modified to add an exception for detached residential buildings and townhouses not more than three stories above grade plane in height with a separate means of egress and their accessory structures to comply with either the International Existing Building Code of 2015 or the International Residential Code of 2015.
 - (i) The accessibility provisions contained in the following sections of the "International Existing Building Code of [2018] 2021" are adopted:
 - (A) [Section 301.5 (relating to compliance with accessibility)] Section 306 (relating to accessibility for existing buildings).
 - (B) [Section 305 (relating to accessibility for existing buildings)] Section 1101.2 (relating to creation or extension of nonconformity.
 - (C) [Section 1101.2 (relating to creation or extension of nonconformity)] <u>Section 1508 (relating to construction sites).</u>

- (D) [Section 1508 (relating to construction sites)] <u>Appendix "B"</u> (relating to supplementary accessibility requirements for <u>existing buildings and facilities)</u>.
- [E Appendix "B" (relating to supplementary accessibility requirements for existing buildings and facilities).]
- (11) The "International Wildland-Urban Interface Code of 2015."
- (12) Appendix E of the "International Building Code of [2018] 2021."
- (13) Appendix H of the "International Building Code of 2009."

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§ 403.26. Swimming pools.

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(b) A swimming pool, hot tub or spa that is not accessory to a one- or two-family dwelling must comply with the Public Bathing Law (35 P.S. §§ 672—680d) and the "International Building Code of 2015" which adopts, by reference, the "International Swimming Pool and Spa Code of 2015." The accessibility provisions contained in Section 307.1.4 (relating to general design requirements) of the "International Swimming Pool and Spa Code of [2018] 2021" are adopted.

§ 403.28. Uncertified buildings.

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(b) Under section 902(b) of the act, uncertified buildings within the Department's jurisdiction must meet the following requirements which do not apply to uncertified buildings under subsection (a):

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- (3) Accessibility requirements are applicable as follows:
 - (i) If construction of an uncertified building began before September 1, 1965,
 accessibility requirements will not be imposed by the Department.
 - (ii) If construction of a building began after August 31, 1965, and before February 18, 1989, and if the building is a State-owned building, a restaurant or a retail commercial establishment, the building must have at least one accessible main entrance, an accessible route from the accessible entrance to any public spaces on the same level as the accessible entrance and, if toilet rooms are provided, the building must have at least one toilet room for each sex or a unisex toilet room complying with the accessibility requirements of the "International Building Code of [2018] 2021."
 - (iii) If construction of the building began after February 17, 1989, all accessibility requirements of the "International Building Code of [2018]
 <u>2021</u>" shall be met.

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November 5, 2021

George D. Bedwick, Chairman Independent Regulatory Review Commission 333 Market Street, 14th Floor Harrisburg, PA 17101

Re: Notice of Final-Omitted Rulemaking Department of Labor and Industry 34 Pa. Code, Part XIV, Chapters 401 and 403; No. 12-115

Dear Chairman Bedwick:

Enclosed is a final-omitted rulemaking package consisting of a Face Sheet, Preamble, Annex A and Regulatory Analysis Form and one attachment.

The Department of Labor and Industry is submitting this rulemaking to amend Part XIV, Chapters 401 and 403 of 34 Pa. Code to update the accessibility standards in the Uniform Construction Code.

Written comments, recommendations or objections should be directed to Matthew W. Kegg, Director, Bureau of Occupational and Industrial Safety, 651 Boas Street, Room 1613, Harrisburg, PA 17121, telephone no. (717) 783-6304, email address: <u>mkegg@pa.gov</u>.

The Department's staff will provide your staff with any assistance required to facilitate your review of this proposal.

Sincerely,

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