



Southern Nevada Fire Code Committee

ADOPTED CODES AND LOCAL AMENDMENT CRITERIA

Section 1 – Adopted Codes

Member jurisdictions shall adopt the following national model codes:

- *International Fire Code* published by the International Code Council
- *Referenced standards published by the* National Fire Protection Association

Section 2 – Local Amendment Criteria

Member jurisdictions shall limit amendments to the national model codes specified in Section 1 of this Article to the following:

- A. Amendments required to address local topographic conditions;
- B. Amendments required to address local geologic conditions;
- C. Amendments required to address local climatic conditions;
- D. Amendments required to address special uses and occupancies;
- E. Amendments required to correlate the provisions of a given national model code with other national model codes or prevailing State law.
- F. Amendments required to clarify the intent of the codes.
- G. Amendments required to address unique designs or systems not anticipated in the codes.
- H. Amendments required to provide for consistency in regional interpretation and application of the codes.
- I. Amendments required to address errata to the codes.



- J. Amendments required to address local fire response capabilities.

COMMITTEES

Section 1 – Steering Committee and Standing Technical Committees

The following shall constitute the Steering Committee and Standing Technical Committees of FPAN:

Steering Committeeⁱ – responsible for coordinating the activities of the various standing, special and ad-hoc committees and performing other duties as may be requested.

IFC Fire Code Committee – Provides technical expertise and support on fire code matters as they relate to the adoption, enforcement, application and interpretation of the adopted fire code and local amendments.

NFPA Standards committee(s)ⁱⁱ – Provide technical expertise and support on matters as they relate to the adoption, enforcement, application, and interpretation of the adopted standards.

Section 2 – Special Committees and Ad-Hoc Committees

The FPAN may from time to time form special or ad-hoc committees to conduct research and provide technical expertise and support on matters beyond the scope of the Standing Technical Committees.

Section 3 – Scope of Committee Authority

The Standing Technical Committees, Special Committee and Ad-Hoc Committees serve as technical advisors to the FPAN. In that advisory capacity, the committees have the authority required to investigate technical matters referred to in order to formulate policy recommendations that are forwarded to the FPAN for their consideration.

Section 4 – Committee Membership

The members of the Steering Committee shall consist of one designated representative of each Southern Nevada fire agency (normally the fire code official or the person designated to represent the fire code official). Additionally, there will be one designated member representing the Fire Prevention Association of Nevada. That individual, who is appointed by the FPAN e-board, shall be an *ex officio member* of the committee but shall not have a vote on any matters.

Membership on each Standing Technical Committee shall be comprised of not more than four designated representatives of each jurisdiction and representatives from

construction and design industry firms, companies, corporations, associations and individuals. One of the four designated representative spots will be set aside for an operations member from each fire department's suppression division. The number of industry representatives on any Standing Technical Committee shall not be limited.

Section 5 – Committee Voting Rights and Privileges

Voting on Steering Committee business matters is limited to one vote per jurisdiction.

Voting on matters before the Standing Technical Committees shall be limited to one vote per jurisdiction and up to three votes for industry representatives for each committee. The voting industry members of each committee shall be selected solely by the industry members serving on that committee. For the purpose of clarity, "Industry members" shall be defined, as *any* individual or organization that is not listed as a jurisdictional member.

There shall be a quorum "five voting members/votes" present for a proposed amendment to be considered for voting purposes. In the event of the occasional absence of the designated voting representative of a jurisdiction serving on a standing technical committee, that jurisdiction may delegate another representative of the jurisdiction or another jurisdiction serving on the same committee to act as a proxy of the absent member on voting matters. No individual may receive or cast more than one proxy vote. The committee chairman shall be advised of any proxy designation prior to proxy voting on any business matter before the committee. Individuals casting proxy votes shall state at the time of the vote that they are casting a proxy vote and state the name of the individual for whom the proxy vote is cast. All proxy votes shall be duly noted in the record of voting activity. Jurisdiction proxy voting designation may not be granted to any industry representative.

In the event of the occasional absence of the designated industry voting representative serving on a standing technical committee, that individual may delegate another industry representative serving on the same committee to act as a proxy of the absent industry member on voting matters. No individual may receive or cast more than one proxy vote. The committee chairperson shall be advised of any proxy designation prior to proxy voting on any business matter before the committee. Individuals casting proxy votes shall state at the time of the vote that they are casting a proxy vote and state the name of the individual for whom the proxy vote is cast. All proxy votes shall be duly noted in the record of voting activity. Industry proxy voting designation may not be granted to any jurisdiction.

Proxy voting shall be assigned, as follows, in the event either jurisdiction is not represented:

