

7511.0503 SECTION 503, FIRE APPARATUS ACCESS ROADS.

Subpart 1. **IFC section 503.1.1.** IFC section 503.1.1 is amended to read as follows:

503.1.1 Buildings and facilities. Approved fire apparatus access roads shall be provided for every facility, building, or portion of a building hereafter constructed or moved into or within the jurisdiction. The fire apparatus access road shall comply with the requirements of this section and shall extend to within 150 feet (45,720 mm) of all portions of the facility and all portions of the exterior walls of the first story of the building as measured by an approved route around the exterior of the building or facility.

Exception: Fire apparatus access roads need not be provided where there are two or fewer Group R-3 or Group U occupancy buildings.

503.1.1.1 Increases allowed. The 150-foot distance shall be permitted to be increased for the following:

1. When the building is equipped throughout with an approved automatic sprinkler system installed in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1, 903.3.1.2, or 903.3.1.3.
2. For Group R occupancies equipped throughout with an approved automatic sprinkler system installed in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1, 903.3.1.2, or 903.3.1.3, the fire apparatus access road shall extend to within 600 feet (183 m).
3. Where fire apparatus access roads cannot be installed because of location on property, topography, waterways, nonnegotiable grades, or other similar conditions, and an approved alternative means of fire protection is provided, the fire apparatus access road shall extend to within 300 feet (91.4 m).

Subp. 2. **IFC section 503.2.1.** IFC section 503.2.1 is amended by adding an exception as follows:

Exception: Where the road serves Group R buildings that are equipped throughout with an approved automatic sprinkler system installed in accordance with Section 903.1.1, 903.1.2, or 903.1.3, the minimum unobstructed width can be reduced to 16 feet (4,877 mm).

Subp. 3. **IFC section 503.2.5.** IFC section 503.2.5 is amended by adding an exception as follows:

Exception: Where the dead-end road serves Group R buildings that are equipped throughout with an approved automatic sprinkler system installed in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1, 903.3.1.2, or 903.3.1.3, the maximum dead-end length distance is permitted to be increased up to 300 feet (91.4 m).

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