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7511.1030 SECTION 1030, EMERGENCY ESCAPE AND RESCUE.

Subpart 1. IFC section 1030.1. IFC section 1030.1 is amended to read as follows:

1030.1 General. In addition to the means of egress required by this chapter, emergency escape and rescue openings shall be provided in Group R occupancies as follows. Basements and sleeping rooms below the fourth story above grade plane shall have at least one exterior emergency escape and rescue opening in accordance with this section. Where basements contain one or more sleeping rooms, emergency escape and rescue openings shall be required in each sleeping room, but shall not be required in adjoining areas of the basement. Such openings shall open directly into a public way or to a yard or court that opens to a public way.

Exceptions:

- 1. Basements with a ceiling height of less than 80 inches (2,032 mm) and not used for purposes other than mechanical equipment or storage shall not be required to have emergency escape and rescue openings.
- 2. Emergency escape and rescue openings are not required from basements or sleeping rooms that have an exit door or exit access door that opens directly into a public way or to a yard, court, or exterior exit balcony that opens to a public way.
- 3. Basements without habitable spaces and having not more than 200 square feet (18.6 m²) in floor area shall not be required to have emergency escape and rescue openings.
- 4. Emergency escape and rescue openings shall not be required under the following conditions:
 - A. the building is equipped throughout with an approved automatic sprinkler system in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1 or 903.3.1.2; and
 - B. the means of egress system complies without utilizing Section 1006.3.3.
- 5. In other than Group R-3 occupancies, sleeping rooms provided with a door to a fire-resistance-rated corridor having access to two remote exits in opposite directions.
- 6. The emergency escape and rescue opening is permitted to open onto a balcony within an atrium in accordance with the requirements of IBC Section 404, provided the balcony provides access to an exit and the dwelling unit or sleeping unit has a means of egress that is not open to the atrium.
- 7. High-rise buildings in accordance with IBC Section 403.
- 8. Basements in Group R-3 occupancies used only to house mechanical equipment and not exceeding total floor area of 200 square feet (18.58 m²).
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- Subp. 3. [Repealed, 44 SR 610]

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