

2015 IFC CoN/OUBCC amendments

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https://www.ok.gov/oubcc/Codes_&_Rules/Adopted_Building_Codes/index.html

CoN Sec. 9-402. Adoption of the Fire Code

(a) Pursuant 59 O.S. §1000.23, the International Fire Code, 2015 edition, including Appendix B, C and D, as published by the International Code Council, Inc., including modifications by the Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission as set forth in Title 748, Chapter 20, Subchapter 3 of the Oklahoma Administrative Code; more specifically Sections 3, 7, 7.1, 8, 11, 12, 13, 13.2, 13.3, 13.4, and 13.5, effective September 15, 2017; hereinafter referred to as "IFC," is hereby adopted as the Fire Code of the City of Norman for regulating construction of new buildings, remodeling of existing buildings, additions to existing buildings, and change of occupancy group of existing buildings, with the same force and effect as if fully set out in this section with amendments thereto as prescribed in this section.

(b) The Fire Code shall not become effective until at least three (3) copies, including modifications prescribed in this section, have been filed in the office of the City Clerk.

(c) The following sections of the IFC are hereby amended, added, deleted, or substituted as noted:

- (1) **101.1 Title [Amended].** These regulations shall be known as the *Fire Code* of the City of Norman, hereinafter referred to as "this code."
- (2) **101.2.1 Appendices [Amended].** The provisions in appendices B, C and D are hereby adopted and are considered a part of this code. All other appendices are not adopted and shall not apply.
- (3) **SECTION 103 FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION [Substitute]**
- (4) **103.1 General [Amended].** The Fire Prevention Division of Norman Fire Department is established within the jurisdiction under the direction of the *fire code official*. The function of the division shall be the implementation, administration and enforcement of the provisions of this code and NFPA 1 as adopted in Section 9-401 of the Code of the City of Norman.
- (5) **105.1.6 Annual permit [Deleted].** IFC Section 105.1.6 is hereby deleted without substitution.
- (6) **105.1.6.1 Annual permit records [Deleted].** IFC Section 105.1.6.1 is hereby deleted without substitution.
- (7) **Sections 105.6 through 105.6.48 [Deleted].** IFC Sections 105.6 through 105.6.48 are hereby deleted without substitution.
- (8) **105.7 Construction permits [Amended].** The *fire code official* is authorized to issue construction permits in accordance with Sections 105.7.1 through 105.7.18. Those cases in which the *fire code official* does not establish a permit shall not justify a violation of any provision of this Code or any other applicable law or regulation.
- (9) **105.7.1 Automatic fire-extinguishing systems [Amended].** The installation of or modification to an automatic fire-extinguishing system shall be reviewed and approved by the *fire code official*. Maintenance performed in accordance with this code is not considered to be a modification and does not require a permit.
- (10) **105.7.2 Battery systems [Deleted].** IFC Section 105.7.2 is hereby deleted without substitution.

- (11) **105.7.3 Compressed gases [Deleted]**. IFC Section 105.7.3 is hereby deleted without substitution.
- (12) **105.7.4 Cryogenic fluids [Deleted]**. IFC Section 105.7.4 is hereby deleted without substitution.
- (13) **105.7.5 Emergency responder radio coverage system [Deleted]**. IFC Section 105.7.5 is hereby deleted without substitution.
- (14) **105.7.6 Fire alarm and detection systems and related equipment [Amended]**. The installation of or modification to fire alarm and detection systems and related equipment shall be reviewed and approved by the *fire code official*. Maintenance performed in accordance with this code is not considered to be a modification and does not require a permit.
- (15) **105.7.7 Fire pumps and related equipment [Amended]**. The installation of or modification of fire pumps and related fuel tanks, jockey pumps, controllers and generators shall be reviewed and approved by the *fire code official*. Maintenance performed in accordance with this code is not considered to be a modification and does not require a permit.
- (16) **105.7.8 Flammable and combustible liquids [Deleted]**. IFC Section 105.7.8 is hereby deleted without substitution.
- (17) **105.7.9 Gates and barricades across fire apparatus access roads [Deleted]**. IFC Section 105.7.9 is hereby deleted without substitution.
- (18) **105.7.10 Hazardous materials [Deleted]**. IFC Section 105.7.10 is hereby deleted without substitution.
- (19) **105.7.11 Industrial ovens [Deleted]**. IFC Section 105.7.11 is hereby deleted without substitution.
- (20) **105.7.12 LP-gas [Deleted]**. IFC Section 105.7.12 is hereby deleted without substitution.
- (21) **105.7.13 Private fire hydrants [Amended]**. The installation of or modification to private fire hydrants shall be reviewed and approved by the *fire code official*. Maintenance performed in accordance with this code is not considered to be a modification and does not require a permit.
- (22) **105.7.14 Smoke control or smoke exhaust systems [Amended]**. The installation of or modification to smoke control or smoke exhaust systems shall be reviewed and approved by the *fire code official*. Maintenance performed in accordance with this code is not considered to be a modification and does not require a permit.
- (23) **105.7.15 Solar photovoltaic power systems [Deleted]**. IFC Section 105.7.15 is hereby deleted without substitution.
- (24) **105.7.16 Spraying and dipping [Deleted]**. IFC Section 105.7.16 is hereby deleted without substitution.
- (25) **105.7.17 Standpipe systems [Amended]**. The installation, modification or removal from service of a standpipe system shall be reviewed and approved by the *fire code official*. Maintenance performed in accordance with this code is not considered to be a modification and does not require a permit.
- (26) **105.7.18 Temporary membrane structures and tents [Amended]**. A construction permit is required to erect an air-supported temporary membrane structure, a temporary stage canopy, or an individual tent having an area in excess of 120 square feet (11.16 m²). Multiple tents placed side by side with a clearance of not less than 12 feet (3658 mm) to any other tent shall be considered as an individual tent.

Exceptions:

1. Tents used exclusively for recreational camping purposes.
 2. Funeral tents and curtains, or extensions attached thereto, when used for funeral services.
- (27) **SECTION 108 BOARD OF APPEALS [Deleted]**. IFC Section 108 is hereby deleted in favor of the provisions of Section 4-1601 of the Code of the City of Norman.

- (28) **109.4 Violation penalties [Amended].** Any person who violates a provision of this code or fails to comply with any of the requirements thereof or who erects, installs, alters, repairs or does work in violation of the *approved construction documents*, directive of the *fire code official* or of a permit issued under the provisions of this code shall be subject to penalties as prescribed by law.
- (29) **111.4 Failure to comply [Amended].** Any person who shall continue any work after having been served with a stop work order, except such work as that person is directed to perform to remove the violation or unsafe condition, shall be subject to penalties as prescribed by law.
- (30) **503.1 Where required [Amended].** Fire apparatus access roads shall be provided and maintained in accordance with Sections 503.1.1 through 503.1.3 or when approved by the fire code official, in accordance with Appendix D.

Exception: Fire apparatus access roads constructed in accordance with Section 20-113 of the Code of the City of Norman.

- (31) **503.2.1 Dimensions [Amended].** Fire apparatus access roads shall have an unobstructed width of not less than 20 feet (6096 mm), exclusive of shoulders, except for *approved* security gates in accordance with Section 503.6, and an unobstructed vertical clearance of not less than 13 feet 6 inches (4115 mm). Fire apparatus access roads shall not be located within 10 feet (3048 mm) of any building.
- (32) **507.3 Fire flow [Amended].** Fire flow requirements for buildings or portions of buildings and facilities shall be determined by an *approved* method or when approved by the fire code official, in accordance with Appendix B.
- (33) **507.5 Fire hydrant systems [Amended].** Fire hydrant systems shall comply with Sections 507.5.1 through 507.5.6 or when approved by the fire code official, in accordance with Appendix C.

Exception: Fire hydrant systems constructed in accordance with Section 20-113 of the Code of the City of Norman.

- (34) **507.5.5 Clear space around hydrants [Amended].** A clear space as described in Section 2002.8 of the City of Norman Engineering Design Criteria shall be maintained around fire hydrants.
- (35) **3103.2 Approval required [Amended].** Tents and membrane structures having an area in excess of 120 square feet (11.16 m²) shall not be erected, operated or maintained for any purpose without first obtaining a permit and approval from the *fire code official*. Multiple tents placed side by side with a clearance of not less than 12 feet (3658 mm) to any other tent shall be considered as an individual tent.

Exceptions:

1. Tents used exclusively for recreational camping purposes.
2. Funeral tents and curtains, or extensions attached thereto, when used for funeral services.

- (36) **3105.2 Approval [Amended].** Temporary stage canopies in excess of 120 square feet (11.16 m²) shall not be erected, operated or maintained for any purpose without first obtaining approval and a permit from the *fire code official* and the building official.
- (37) **5704.2.9.6.1 Locations where above-ground tanks are prohibited [Amended].** Storage of Class I and II liquids in above-ground tanks outside of buildings is prohibited.

Exception: Where allowed by the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Norman and when approved by the *fire code official*.

- (38) **5706.2.4.4 Locations where above-ground tanks are prohibited [Amended].** Storage of Class I and II liquids in above-ground tanks outside of buildings is prohibited.

Exception: Where allowed by the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Norman and when approved by the *fire code official*.

- (39) **CHAPTER 80 REFERENCED STANDARDS [Amended].** IFC Chapter 80 is hereby amended to include the following substitutions:

[Substitute] “NFPA 13-13” with “NFPA 13-16”

[Substitute] “NFPA 13D-13” with “NFPA 13D-16”

[Substitute] “NFPA 13R-13” with “NFPA 13R-16”

[Substitute] “NFPA 14-13” with “NFPA 14-16”

[Substitute] “NFPA 17A-13” with “NFPA 17A-17”

[Substitute] “NFPA 20-13” with “NFPA 20-16”

[Substitute] “NFPA 24-13” with “NFPA 24-16”

[Substitute] “NFPA 25-14” with “NFPA 25-17”

[Substitute] “NFPA 30-12” with “NFPA 30-15”

[Substitute] “NFPA 72-13” with “NFPA 72-16”

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OKLAHOMA UNIFORM BUILDING CODE COMMISSION (OUBCC) RULES

**748 - Uniform Building Code Commission Adopted Codes
International Fire Code®, 2015 Edition (IFC®, 2015)
748:20-3-1 through 748:20-3-15**