

COCO NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION

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ACCESSIBILITY UPDATES

The moratorium on NC code changes while the International Code is being reviewed has meant that the 1999 edition of Volume I-C has been unable to be updated to keep up with changes initiated by others. Below are several updates and clarifications:

§ 4.1.2 Van accessible signs. DOI was notified in July 2000 that the NC Dept. of Transportation had changed the required size of these signs. The new size is 12" x 6".

§ Ch.12/Ch. 30 Shower sizes and curbs. The requirements for shower sizes and curbs differs depending on whether the application is commercial or residential (Chapter 30). For commercial applications: 36" x 36" is the absolute size for transfer showers; 30" x 60" is the minimum size for roll-in showers; the 1/2" curb requirement is a maximum, no exceptions. For residential applications: 36" x 36" is the minimum size for transfer showers, other sizes and configurations are acceptable; 30" x 60" is the minimum size for roll-in showers; there is no curb requirement or limitation.

§ 30.1.2.1.3 Multi-family dwellings for rent (11 or more) - Type A vs. Type B units. Requirements for Type A units are calculated using the total number of units in the project, including any multi-story dwelling units. Requirements for Type B units are applicable to individual buildings with 4 or more dwelling units in the building only. A building with 2 single-story dwelling units and 2 two-story dwelling units is considered a 4-unit building.

If you have questions on these or any other accessibility issues, please call me.

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