

## **Changed Sections:**

Sec. 6. Subsection 91.106.2 of Section 91.106, Division 1, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

**91.106.2. Work exempt from a permit.**~~EXCEPTIONS:~~ Exemptions from permit requirements of this code shall not be deemed to grant authorization for any work to be done in any manner in violation of the provisions of this code or any other laws or ordinance of the City of Los Angeles. Permits shall not be required for the following:

1. Work regulated by this Code that is valued at \$2,500 or less, unless it impacts the structural stability of a building, affects public safety, is performed to comply with a Department order, or involves a change in the use or occupancy.

~~Permit not required for:~~

~~24.~~ Flag poles and towers not erected upon a building and not more than 15 feet high. Radio and television antennae towers which do not exceed 45 feet in height or light standards which do not exceed 30 feet in height.

~~32.~~ Construction sheds, state approved construction trailers without toilet facilities and sidewalk protection barriers and canopies built pursuant to Division 33, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC.

~~43.~~ Sandblasting, liquid washing, compressed air cleaning, steam cleaning of buildings outside of Fire District No. 1 and also those exterior surfaces of buildings which are located more than 20 feet from pedestrian walkways in dedicated streets. Painting, papering and similar work, provided, however, that the values thereof shall be included as part of the value of any new construction for which a permit is required by this Code, for the purpose of determining the amount of the fee to be paid for the permit; and provided further that this exception does not include operations such as liquid washing, compressed air cleaning and steam cleaning on the exterior surfaces of buildings adjacent and within 20 feet of pedestrian walkways in dedicated streets where these operations extend above the first story.

~~54.~~ Platforms, walks and driveways not more than 30 inches (762 mm) above grade and not over any basement or story below.

~~65.~~ Exhibits, booths, partitions and display counters for temporary use not exceeding 30 days in conjunction with an exhibit or show and not exceeding 12 feet in height above the floor.

~~76.~~ Outdoor tents or cloth structures for temporary use not exceeding 30 days and not exceeding 12 feet in any dimension, provided such tents are accessory to an indoor or outdoor assembly use on the site.

~~87.~~ Swimming, bathing, and wading pools not exceeding 24 inches in depth and having a surface area not exceeding 250 square feet.

~~98.~~ Canopies or awnings located outside of Fire District No. 1 extending not more than 4 feet from the exterior wall of the building and attached to Group R Occupancies.

109. Impact hazard glazing pursuant to LAMC Section 91.6101.

1140. Work performed by Certified Licensed Contractors in accordance with LAMC Subdivision 91.108.12.1.

1241. Any work accomplished under the auspices of and owned and controlled by the United States of America, by the State of California or the Los Angeles County.

1342. Masonry or concrete fences not over 3-1/2 feet high, and other fences, **other than swimming pool barriers**, not over 10 feet high.

1443. Tanks for the storage of combustible liquids, if resting upon the surface of the ground and surrounded by an impounding basin conforming to the requirements of Article 7 of Chapter V of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (Fire Code).

1544. Cases, counters and partitions, not over 5 feet 9 inches high.

1645. Waterproof pointing of joints in masonry or veneer, also cleaning with detergents which are not injurious to clothing or skin of persons and are not removed by liquid washing, provided work is done from safely enclosed scaffolding which will collect any dust, debris or dropped tools and materials in use.

**17. Retaining walls in accordance with LAMC 101.5 item 4.**

Sec. 7. Subsection 91.106.3.3.3.2 of Section 91.106, Division 1, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is added, to be placed in numerical order, to read as follows:

**91.106.3.3.3.2. Standard Plans.** At the discretion of the Department of Building and Safety, the Department may approve a set of plans for a building or structure as a Standard Plan, provided that the applicant submits a proper application, includes complete sets of plans as required by this section, and pays the plan check fee as specified in LAMC Section 91.107.3.1. The plans must comply with the laws and ordinances in effect at the time a permit is issued and shall expire in accordance with LAMC Section 98.0603.

## **Added Sections:**

Sec. 8. Subsection 91.106.4.4.3 of Section 91.106, Division 1, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended, to read as follows:

**91.106.4.4.3. Unfinished Buildings or Structures.** Whenever the department determines by inspection that work on any building or structure for which a permit has been issued and the work started thereon has been suspended for a period of **12 months**~~180 days~~ or more, the owner of the property upon which such structure is located, or other person or agent in control of said property, upon receipt of notice in writing from the department to do so, shall, within 90 days from the date of such written notice, obtain a new permit to complete the required work and diligently pursue the work to completion, or shall remove or demolish the building or structure within 180 days from the date of the written notice.

## Changed Sections:

Sec. 118. Subsection 91.1613.5.4 of Section 91.1613, Division 16, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is deleted:

~~91.1613.5.4. The Equation 12.2-1 of ASCE 7, Section 12.12.3 is modified to read as follows:~~

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## Added Sections:

Sec. 367. Division 61 (SPECIAL HAZARD AREAS), Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code shall remain unchanged except as amended herein.

Sec. 368. Section 91.6102, Division 61, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is deleted:

### ~~SEC. 91.6102. RUBBISH ROOMS.~~

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~~Every room, except a room in a Group R, Division 3 Occupancy, appropriated for the storage or treatment of combustible rubbish, shall be of one-hour fire-resistive construction. All openings in interior partitions shall be protected by a fire assembly having a one-hour fire-resistive rating. All openings in exterior walls shall be protected by a fire assembly having a three-fourths-hour fire-resistive rating.~~

Sec. 369. Division 62 (SIGNS), Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code shall remain unchanged except as amended herein.

Sec. 370. Subsection 91.6205.1 of Section 91.6205, Division 62, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

**91.6205.1. General Requirements.** Signs shall be designed and constructed to comply with the provisions of this Code for use of materials, loads and stresses. Glass panels used in signs shall comply with the size, thickness and type of glass as shown in Table H115.1(1)~~4-A~~ of Appendix H of the CBC. The use, location, size, area and height of the sign shall comply with the provisions of this Code and Chapter I of the LAMC, whichever is more restrictive. Table H115.1(1)~~4-A~~ of Appendix H of the CBC is adopted by reference.

Sec. 371. Section 91.6212, Division 62, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended, with no other changes to existing subsections therein, to read as follows:

### **SEC. 91.6212. PROJECTING SIGNS.**

Table H115.1(2)~~4-B~~ of Appendix H of the CBC is adopted by reference.

Sec. 372. Division 63 (ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS FOR SPECIFIC USES), Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code shall remain unchanged except as amended herein.

Sec. 373. Section 91.6302, Division 63, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is deleted:

**~~SEC. 91.6302. FOOD ESTABLISHMENT.~~**

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~~**91.6302.1. General.** This section shall apply to every building or portion thereof appropriated to the processing, storage or sale of food or drink for human consumption, but not including any private dwelling. Every food establishment shall conform to the requirements of this Code.~~

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**~~EXCEPTIONS:~~**

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~~1. Food establishments that are used exclusively for the sale of farm produce sold at or on the premises where produced.~~

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~~2. Food preparation units installed in school buildings with the following provisions:~~

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~~A. A sign must be posted requiring all mouth utensils to be of single-use, disposable type.~~

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~~B. The floor surface of the area must be of linoleum, asphalt tile, or equivalent nonabsorbent material.~~

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~~C. A residential-type vent must be installed when a residential kitchen range is provided.~~

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~~3. Employee lunch rooms if no food other than beverages is prepared on the premises, and provided all mouth utensils are of the disposable type. Heating devices limited to this use need not be vented.~~

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~~4. Food establishments in which all food is to be sold in sealed packages, and in which there is to be no preparing or packaging of food, shall comply with all applicable food establishment regulations. The Certificate of Occupancy shall state "Packaged Food Only."~~

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~~**91.6302.2. Ceiling Heights.** Every room shall have a ceiling height of not less than eight feet between the finished floor and the finished ceiling.~~

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**~~EXCEPTIONS:~~**

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~~1. Toilet rooms may have a ceiling height of not less than seven feet six inches.~~

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~~2. Refrigerated cold storage rooms are exempted from this ceiling height requirement.~~

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**91.6302.3. Special Ventilation.** A mechanical exhaust ventilation system capable of effectively removing cooking odors, smoke, steam, grease and vapors shall be provided at or above cooking equipment such as ranges, griddles, ovens, deep fat fryers, barbecues and rotisseries.

All hoods, ducts, fans and other devices provided to ventilate the cooking areas of commercial food preparation equipment in commercial food establishments shall be installed as required by and in compliance with the provisions of the Los Angeles Mechanical Code. Rooms in which exhaust systems are installed shall be provided with acceptable air inlets to admit at least as much air as is exhausted by these systems.

Ducts penetrating a ceiling or floor shall be enclosed in a shaft enclosure conforming to the requirements of CBC Section 713. Where a shaft enclosure is not required by CBC Section 713, ducts that convey grease vapors shall be enclosed in a one-hour fire-resistive shaft. The shaft shall be separated from the duct by a minimum 6 inch (152.4 mm) air space vented to the outside air.

**91.6302.4. Toilet Rooms and Vestibules.** Toilet rooms and vestibules for public or employees shall conform to the following standards:

1. Toilet Rooms Required. Toilet rooms shall be provided in accordance with the Los Angeles Plumbing Code.

2. Location. Toilet rooms shall be located on the premises of the food establishment. Toilet rooms for public use shall be readily accessible to customers. Toilet rooms shall be separated from other portions of the establishment by a tight-fitting, self-closing door.

Additional lavatories or equivalent hand-washing facilities shall be provided in all food preparation areas where the lavatories required in Item 1 are not conveniently located on the same floor and in or adjacent to the food preparation areas.

3. Privacy. Toilet rooms shall be so arranged or equipped with view screens as to protect users of toilets and urinals from view from outside the room when the door to the toilet room is open.

**EXCEPTION:** View screen is not required if the toilet room is only for single accommodation, unisex and a bathroom is provided.

4. Dimensions. Toilet rooms shall have dimensions and area as required in Division 11, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.

**91.6302.5. Employee Storage Areas.** Lockers or other suitable facilities within food establishments shall be provided in compliance with Section 114256 of the California Health and Safety Code as enforced by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health.

**91.6302.6. Garbage Rooms.** Restaurants with a seating capacity of 50 or more patrons shall be provided with a room or enclosed space for the keeping of garbage containers. The room shall have portland cement plaster, fireclay tile, ceramic tile or equally durable waterproof walls to a height of at least six feet above the floor. Doors and windows of

~~such rooms shall be tight fitting and self-closing and all exterior openings shall be screened. Each such room shall be equipped with a hose or other suitable garbage can washing device connected to hot and cold running water and the floor shall slope to a drain and comply the requirements of the Los Angeles County Health Department.~~

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~~**EXCEPTION:** Such garbage rooms need not be provided at places maintaining an approved device for discharging garbage to the sewer system.~~

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~~**91.6302.7. Rat Protection.** Every food establishment shall be completely surrounded by a continuous exterior foundation wall not less than 12 inches below grade.~~

Sec. 374. Section 91.6303, Division 63, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is deleted:

~~**SEC. 91.6303. SERVICE STATIONS.**~~

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~~Every service station located within 660 feet (201.16 m) of an accessible right-of-way of any interstate or primary highway, as defined in California Business and Professions Code Sections 5215 and 5220, shall provide, during business hours, public restrooms for use by its customers. The public restroom shall not be temporary or portable but shall be permanent and shall include separate facilities for men and women, each with toilets and sinks suitable for use by disabled persons in accordance with Division 11, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC, and shall be maintained in a clean and sanitary manner. This section shall not apply to service stations which are fully operational prior to January 1, 1990.~~

Sec. 375. Subsection 91.6304.1 of Section 91.6304, Division 63, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is deleted:

~~**91.6304.1. Interior Doors.** In any residential building, every interior door in a doorway through which occupants pass shall have a minimum width of 32 inches.~~

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~~**EXCEPTION:** The provisions of this section shall not apply to doors located in shower compartment and bathtub enclosures.~~

Sec. 376. Subsection 91.6304.2 of Section 91.6304, Division 63, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is deleted:

~~**91.6304.2. Interior Illumination.** All recreation or service rooms accessory to apartment houses shall be provided with an incandescent light bulb (minimum of 60 watts) or other artificial light at a maximum height of eight feet (2438 mm) and shall provide have a minimum average surface illumination of 0.2 footcandles (2.15 lx) at floor level. Where, in any specific case, different sections of the Los Angeles Municipal Code specify different requirements, the most restrictive shall govern.~~

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~~**EXCEPTION:** Recreation or service rooms accessory to condominiums which comply with Article 2.9 (condominiums) of Chapter I of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.~~

## **Changed Sections:**

Sec. 377. Subsection 91.6304.3 of Section 91.6304, Division 63, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read:

**91.6304.3. Additional Requirements for Installation of Bars, Grills, Grates or Similar Devices.** In addition to the requirements of CBC Section 1031 and 1010.3.44030 all bars, grills, grates or similar devices shall comply with the following:

1. A permit is obtained from the Department and a fee is paid as required in LAMC Subdivision 91.107.4.5. Any permit so issued shall be valid for a period of 90 days from its issuance. The Department may allow a "certified installer" to be used, in lieu of obtaining a permit, in accordance with LAMC Section 91.17124740.
2. Any person who willfully or knowingly, with the intent to deceive, makes a false statement or representation, or knowingly fails to disclose a material fact in any documentation required by the Department to ascertain facts relative to this section, LAMC Subdivision 91.107.4.5 or to Section 91.17124740, including any oral or written evidence presented, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

## **Added Sections:**

Sec. 378. Division 67 (SECURITY PROVISIONS), Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code shall remain unchanged except as amended herein.

Sec. 380. Subsection 91.6709.2. of Section 91.6709, Division 67, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

**91.6709.2.** Unless prohibited by CBC Section 1010.2.4 aA single swinging door, the active leaf of a pair of doors, and the bottom leaf of Dutch doors shall be equipped with a deadbolt and deadlocking latch. The deadbolt and latch may be activated by one lock or by individual locks. Deadbolts shall contain hardened inserts to repel cutting tools. The lock or locks shall be key-operated from the exterior side of the door and openable from the interior side by a device which does not require a key, special knowledge, or special effort to operate.

### **EXCEPTIONS:**

1. The latch may be omitted from doors in Group B, F, M, S Occupancies.
2. In other than residential buildings, locks may be key operated on the inside when not prohibited by the provisions of CBC Section 402.8.8 or CBC Chapter 10.
3. A swinging door greater than five feet in width may be secured as set forth in Section 91.6711.

A straight deadbolt shall have a minimum throw of one inch and an embedment of not less than 5/8 inch into the holding device receiving the projected bolt. A hook-shaped or an expanding-lug deadbolt shall have a minimum throw of 3/4-inch. All deadbolts of



locks which automatically activate two or more deadbolts shall embed at least 1/2-inch into the holding devices receiving the projected bolts.

Sec. 381. Section 91.6713, Division 67, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is deleted:

**~~SEC. 91.6713. GLAZED OPENING - GENERAL.~~**

~~All windows, skylights, glazing in doors or other glazing in security openings shall conform to this section and to the applicable requirements of LAMC Sections 91.6714, 91.6715 and 91.6716.~~

~~Glazed openings within 40 inches (1016 mm) of the required locking device of the door, when the door is in the closed and locked position and when the door is operable from the inside without the use of a key, shall be fully tempered glass, conforming to the provisions of CBC Section 2406, or approved burglary-resistant material, or shall be protected by metal bars, screens or grilles having a pattern such that the maximum dimension of any opening does not exceed 2 inches (50.8 mm).~~

~~**EXCEPTION:** The provisions of this section shall not apply to sliding glass doors which conform to the provisions of LAMC Section 91.6710 or to view ports or windows which do not exceed 2 inches (50.8 mm) in their greatest dimension.~~

Sec. 382. Section 91.6714, Division 67, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is deleted:

**~~SEC. 91.6714. GLAZING.~~**

~~In Group B, F, M, S Occupancies, panes of glazing with at least one dimension greater than six inches, but less than 48 inches, shall be constructed of fully tempered glass or approved burglary-resistant material or shall be protected by metal bars or grilles which are constructed to preclude human entry. Such bars or grilles shall have a pattern such that at least one dimension of any opening shall be no greater than six inches.~~

Sec. 383. Section 91.6715, Division 67, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is deleted:

**~~SEC. 91.6715. WINDOWS.~~**

~~**91.6715.1.** Sliding glass windows shall be provided with locking devices and shall be so constructed and installed that they remain intact and engaged when subjected to the tests specified in LAMC Subsection 91.6717.2. A device shall be installed in the upper channel of the moving panel to prohibit the raising and removal of the moving panel from the track while in the closed or partially open position.~~

~~**91.6715.2.** Other openable windows shall be provided with substantial locking devices which render the building as secure as the devices required by this section. In Group B, F, M, S Occupancies, such devices shall be glide bars, bolts, cross bars and/or padlocks with minimum 9/32-inch hardened steel shackles and bolted, hardened steel hasps.~~



~~91.6715.3. Special. Louvered windows shall be protected by metal bars or grilles which are constructed to preclude human entry. Such bars or grilles shall have a pattern such that no less than one dimension of any opening shall be six inches or less.~~

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~~91.6715.4. Any release for metal bars, grilles, grates or similar devices constructed to preclude human entry that are installed shall be located on the inside of the adjacent room and at least 24 inches from the closest opening through such metal bars, grilles, grates or similar devices that exceed two inches in any dimension.~~

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~~**EXCEPTION:** Metal bars, grilles, grates or similar devices may be padlocked in position where such padlocks or similar devices are not prohibited by law.~~

Sec. 384. Section 91.6716, Division 67, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is deleted:

~~**SEC. 91.6716. OPENINGS OTHER THAN DOORS OR GLAZED OPENINGS.**~~

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~~91.6716.1. Security openings other than doors or glazed openings shall be protected in accordance with the requirements of this section.~~

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~~91.6716.2. Hatchway covers of less than 1 3/4 inch thick solid wood construction shall be covered on the inside with 16 gauge sheet metal attached by screws around the perimeter spaced at six inch maximum centers.~~

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~~91.6716.3. Hatchway covers shall be secured from the inside with slide bars, slide bolts, and/or padlocks with hardened steel shackles. Hasps shall be hardened steel and bolted.~~

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~~91.6716.4. Outside pin-type hinges shall be provided with non-removable pins.~~

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~~91.6716.5. Openings within 40 inches of the required locking device of the door when said door is in the closed and locked position and when said door is openable without the use of a key shall not exceed two inches in their greatest dimension or shall be protected by metal bars or grilles having a pattern such that the openings of which do not exceed two inches in the greatest dimension.~~

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~~91.6716.6. All other openings shall be protected by metal bars or grilles constructed to preclude human entry. Such bars or grilles shall have a pattern such that no less than one dimension of any opening shall be six inches or less.~~

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~~**EXCEPTION:** Openings which are more than 40 inches from the required locking device of a door in the closed and locked position when the door is openable from the inside without the use of a key, and which do not exceed 96 square inches in area, with no less than one dimension thereof being six inches or less.~~

Sec. 385. Section 91.6717, Division 67, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is deleted:

~~**SEC. 91.6717. TESTS - GENERAL.**~~

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~~Doors, windows, and similar closures of security openings regulated by the provisions of this division, including the frames, jambs, hardware and locking devices of such closures, shall be shown to satisfactorily pass the tests specified in this division. The tests shall be performed by an approved testing laboratory on the units as installed at the jobsite or installed in test assemblies constructed according to the manufacturer's details. Each typical job installation shall be tested or the units shall be constructed and installed in conformance to a General Approval issued by the Department.~~

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~~**91.6717.1. Sliding Glass Doors.** Panels shall be closed and locked. Tests shall be performed in the following order:~~

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- ~~1. Test A. With the panels in the normal position, a concentrated load of 300 pounds shall be applied separately to each vertical pull stile incorporating a locking device at a point on the stile within six inches of the locking device in the direction parallel to the plane of glass that would tend to open the door.~~

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- ~~2. Test B. Repeat Test A while simultaneously adding a concentrated load of 150 pounds to the same area of the same stile in a direction perpendicular to the plane of glass toward the interior side of the door.~~

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- ~~3. Test C. Repeat Test B with 150 pound force in the reverse direction toward the exterior side of the door.~~

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- ~~4. Tests D, E and F. Repeat Tests A, B and C with the movable panel lifted upwards to its full limit within the confines of the door frame.~~

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- ~~5. Moveable panels shall not be rendered easily openable or removable from the frame during or after the tests or the panel shall have failed the test.~~

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~~**91.6717.2. Sliding Glass Windows.** Sash shall be closed and locked. Tests shall be performed in the following order:~~

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- ~~1. Test A. With the sliding sash in the normal position, a concentrated load of 150 pounds shall be applied separately to each sash member incorporating a locking device at a point on the sash member within six inches of the locking device in the direction parallel to the plane of glass that would tend to open the window.~~

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- ~~2. Test B. Repeat Test A while simultaneously adding a concentrated load of 75 pounds to the same area of the same sash member in the direction perpendicular to the plane of glass toward the interior side of the window.~~

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- ~~3. Test C. Repeat Test B with the 75 pound force in the reversed direction toward the exterior side of the window.~~

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- ~~4. Tests D, E and F. Repeat Tests A, B and C with the movable sash lifted upwards to its full limit within the confines of the window frame.~~

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- ~~5. Movable panels shall not be rendered easily openable or removable from the frame during or after the tests or the panel shall have failed the test.~~

Sec. 386. Division 70 (GRADING, EXCAVATIONS AND FILLS), Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code shall remain unchanged except as amended herein.

Sec. 387. Division 71 (METHANE SEEPAGE REGULATIONS), Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code shall remain unchanged except as amended herein.

Sec. 389. Division 72 (FIRE DISTRICT REGULATIONS), Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code shall remain unchanged except as amended herein.

Sec. 392. Division 81 (EXISTING BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES – GENERAL REQUIREMENTS), Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code shall remain unchanged except as amended herein.

Sec. 393. Section 91.8110, Division 81, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is deleted:

**~~SEC. 91.8110. UNREINFORCED MASONRY BEARING WALL BUILDINGS.~~**

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~~Existing unreinforced masonry bearing wall buildings constructed or under construction prior to October 6, 1933, shall conform to the requirements of Division 88, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC. For other than full compliance to Division 88, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC, all alterations, repairs, additions, Change of Occupancy, change in Class Rating per LAMC Table 88-A, Change in Occupancy Category, and increase in occupant load shall comply with the requirements of Article 1.2, Chapter IX of the LAMC.~~

Sec. 394. Division 82 (CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY, USE AND RATING CLASSIFICATION), Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code shall remain unchanged except as amended herein.

Sec. 395. Division 83 (RELOCATION PERMIT), Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code shall remain unchanged except as amended herein.

Sec. 396. Division 85 (ALTERNATIVE BUILDING STANDARDS FOR JOINT LIVING AND WORK QUARTERS), Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code shall remain unchanged except as amended herein.

Sec. 397. Division 86 (SPECIAL PROVISIONS FOR EXISTING BUILDINGS), Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code shall remain unchanged except as amended herein.

Sec. 398. Division 88 (EARTHQUAKE HAZARD REDUCTION IN EXISTING BUILDINGS), Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code shall remain unchanged except as amended herein.

Sec. 399. Division 89 (ABATEMENT OF BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES, PREMISES AND PORTIONS THEREOF WHICH CONSTITUTE A NUISANCE OR ARE HAZARDOUS, OR SUBSTANDARD), Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code shall remain unchanged except as amended herein.

Sec. 400. Division 90 (NUISANCE ABATEMENT AND DISCONTINUANCE OF LAND USE AND DISCRETIONARY ZONING APPROVALS; RELOCATION ASSISTANCE;



ENFORCEMENT), Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code shall remain unchanged except as amended herein.

Sec. 401. Division 91 (EARTHQUAKE HAZARD REDUCTION IN EXISTING TILT-UP CONCRETE WALL BUILDINGS), Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code shall remain unchanged except as amended herein.

Sec. 403. Division 92 (VOLUNTARY – EARTHQUAKE HAZARD REDUCTION IN EXISTING WOOD FRAME RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS WITH WEAK CRIPPLE WALLS AND UNBOLTED SILL PLATES), Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code shall remain unchanged except as amended herein.

Sec. 404. Division 93 (MANDATORY EARTHQUAKE HAZARD REDUCTION IN EXISTING WOOD-FRAME BUILDINGS WITH SOFT, WEAK OR OPEN-FRONT WALLS), Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code shall remain unchanged except as amended herein.

Sec. 405. Division 94 (VOLUNTARY – EARTHQUAKE HAZARD REDUCTION IN EXISTING HILLSIDE BUILDINGS), Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code shall remain unchanged except as amended herein.

Sec. 406. Division 95 (MANDATORY EARTHQUAKE HAZARD REDUCTION IN EXISTING NON-DUCTILE CONCRETE BUILDINGS), Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code shall remain unchanged except as amended herein.

Sec. 407. Division 96 (VOLUNTARY – EARTHQUAKE HAZARD REDUCTION IN EXISTING REINFORCED CONCRETE AND REINFORCED MASONRY WALL BUILDINGS WITH FLEXIBLE DIAPHRAGMS), Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code shall remain unchanged except as amended herein.

Sec. 408. Division 97 (EXISTING BUILDINGS ENERGY AND WATER EFFICIENCY PROGRAM), Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code shall remain unchanged except as amended herein.

## **Changed Sections:**

Sec. 485. Subsection 91.5.311.2 of Section 91.5.300, Division 3, Article 1.5, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is deleted:

~~**91.5.311.2. Egress Door.** At least one egress door shall be provided for each dwelling unit. The egress door shall be side-hinged, and shall provide a minimum clear width of 32 inches (813 mm) when measured between the face of the door and the stop, with the door open 90 degrees (1.57 rad). The minimum clear height of the door opening shall not be less than 78 inches (1981 mm) in height measured from the top of the threshold to the bottom of the stop. This is accomplished by providing a door not less than 3 feet in width and 6 feet 8 inches in height. Egress doors shall be readily openable from inside the dwelling without the use of a key or special knowledge or effort. Every interior door shall have a minimum width of 32 inches (813 mm), except for closets less than 10 square feet in size, which shall comply with CBC Section 1010.1.1, Exception 3.~~



Sec. 520. Subsection (a) of Section 93.0202, Division 2, Article 3, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended, with no other changes to existing subsections therein, to read as follows:

(a) No permit shall be required in the following cases:

1. Electric wiring expressly declared to be exempt from permit requirements of this Code by any other sections of the Code or by any other provisions of the LAMC.
2. Wiring for temporary theater sets on the theater stages or temporary motion picture or television sets on any property belonging to or under the control of the City, privately owned studios, theaters, or similar locations designed for that usage.
3. Installation of any portable motor or other portable appliance energized by means of a cord or cable having an attachment plug end, when that cord or cable is permitted by this Code.
4. Repair or replacement of fixed motors or fixed appliances, supplied by branch circuits not exceeding 20 amperes and not exceeding 240 volts nominal, of the same type and rating in the same location where not located in an area classed as "hazardous" under CEC Article 500.
5. Festive temporary decorative lighting in dwelling occupancies only, for a period not to exceed 90 days.
6. Repair or replacement of current-carrying parts of any switch, contactor or control device.
7. Reinstallation of attachment plug receptacle, but not the outlets for it.
8. Replacement of any overcurrent device of the same rating and in the same location.
9. Replacement of gas tube electrodes, transformers, tubes, drivers and power supplies with the same original manufactured parts having the same size, type, capacity and ratings for electric signs, or luminaries.
10. Taping of joints.
11. Removal of electric wiring.
12. Temporary wiring for experimental purposes in suitable experimental laboratories.
13. The following electrical wiring:
  - (i) Non-required signaling circuits supplied by an approved Class 2 limited power source, capable of supplying not more than 30 volts and 100 volt-amperes; and

(ii) Non-required communication circuits which have the power limited in accordance with CEC Section 725.121; and

(iii) Non-required amplifier output circuits which are permitted by CEC Section 640.9(C) to employ Class 2 or Class 3 wiring; and

(iv) Any non-required circuit which operates at 12.4 volts or less and does not generate, transmit, transform, utilize or control more than 25 watts or volt-amperes of electric power.

**EXCEPTION:** ~~No~~ permit is required ~~when provided~~ the above-described wiring is ~~not~~ located in any of the following locations:

- a. Area classified as "hazardous" under CEC Article 500; or
- b. Appurtenant to a required fire alarm and signaling system as classified under CEC Article 760; or
- c. Penetrating any fire-resistive wall, ~~or floor, or ceiling system, or~~
- d. ~~In a plenum, duct or other space used for environmental air including access floors.~~

Sec. 605. Section 98.0602, Division 6, Article 8 Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended, with no other changes to existing subsections therein, to read as follows:

#### **SEC. 98.0602. EXPIRATION OF PERMITS.**

- (a) Every permit issued ~~for one- and two-family dwellings or townhouses~~ shall be valid for a period of ~~three~~<sup>two</sup> years from the date of issuance. ~~thereof, For all other projects, permits shall be valid for a period of four years from the date of issuance. provided that any permit shall expire 12 months from date of issuance if the work authorized under any permit associated to the current scope of work has not been commenced; or shall expire whenever the Department determines the work authorized by any permit has been suspended, discontinued or abandoned for a continuous period of 12 months. (See Health and Safety Code Sections 18938.5 and 18938.6.)~~

However, every permit issued shall expire unless the work on the site authorized by such permit is commenced within 12 months after its issuance, or if the work authorized on the site by such permit is suspended or abandoned for a period of 12 months after the time the work is commenced. (See Health and Safety Code Section 18938.5 and 18938.6.)

#### **EXCEPTION:**

The Department may, in writing, grant one or more extensions of time for periods not more than 180 days each on a case-by-case basis.

~~1. If the holder of any permit issued by the Department presents satisfactory evidence that unusual construction difficulties have prevented work from being started or continued without being suspended with the 12-month time period or completed within the two-year period of validity, the department or the Board may grant extensions of time reasonably necessary because of such difficulties.~~

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~~2. If the permit(s) is related to or for a residential occupancy issued by the Department, and if the work authorized under any permit associated to the current scope of work for said residential occupancy has not been commenced, the permit(s) shall expire within 12 months after issuance. If the holder of any permit concerning residential occupancy issued by the Department presents satisfactory evidence that unusual construction difficulties have prevented work from being started or continued without being suspended with the 12-month time period or completed within the two-year period of validity, the Department or the Board may grant extensions of time reasonably necessary because of such difficulties.~~

Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, the validity of a permit may be further restricted in the following conditions:

1. In the case that a building or structure has been ordered repaired or demolished in accordance with Los Angeles Municipal Code Sections 91.8903, 91.8904, or 91.8905, such time limits as are specified therein shall apply.
2. The Department or the Board may, because of unusual circumstances or conditions such as, but not limited to, the demolition of an imminently hazardous building, or a grading operation which may be subject to flooding during the rainy season, impose restrictions upon the time limits for expiration of any permit.
3. The time limit for the validity of relocation permits shall be as specified in LAMC Section 91.8306.
4. The time limit for the validity of tent permits shall be as specified in LAMC Subsection 91.106.1.3.
5. The time limit for the validity of permits for the installation of metal bars, grills, grates, security roll-down shutters, and similar devices, and of quick-release systems shall be as specified in Los Angeles Municipal Code Subsection 91.107.4.5.
6. The time limit of validity of permits for temporary signs on temporary construction walls, or for temporary signs on a fence of solid wood or similar material surrounding a vacant lot, issued pursuant to the provisions of Section 14.4.17, shall be as specified in Subsection 14.4.17 C. of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.

- (b) Permits which have expired shall have the site, building or project restored to the condition which existed immediately prior to the commencement of work described by such permit.
- (c) It shall be unlawful for any owner, either before or after the issuance of a permit under this section, and notwithstanding the issuance of such permit, to fail to comply with any order, determination or action of the Department or Board.

Sec. 606. Section 91.8110, Division 81, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is deleted:

#### **SEC. 98.0603. EXPIRATION OF PLAN CHECK.**

If a permit is not secured within 18 months after a complete set of construction documents~~plans~~ have been filed for checking such plan check shall expire and no permit shall be issued until the plans are rechecked and approved and a new plan check fee paid.

#### **EXCEPTIONS:**

~~The Department or the Board may grant extensions of time if a permit applicant submits in writing sufficient evidence that unusual conditions or circumstances precluded the securing of the permit within the allocated time.~~

1. Standard Plans shall be valid for a period of three years from the date of approval or until changes to the California Building Standards Code would result in a non-conforming design, whichever time is less. In such cases, the Standard Plan will become invalid on the effective date of the revised California Building Standards Code. At that time, a new application for plan check shall be made, or the Standard Plan shall be discarded. The fee for reviewing and approving the revised Standard Plan, based on updates to the California Building Standards Code, will be calculated on an hourly basis as outlined in LAMC Sections 91.107.3.1.4 and 98.0415.
2. The Department may, in writing, grant one or more extensions of time for periods not more than 180 days each on a case-by-case basis. Beyond the initial 18-month vesting period, the project must comply with the zoning code regulations in effect at the time the permit is issued. When more than three extensions are granted, the project may be required, subject to the Department's discretion, to comply with the edition of the California Building Standards Code in effect at the time the latest plan check extension is granted.

Sec. 607. Section 98.0605, Division 6, Article 8, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is deleted:

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#### **~~SEC. 98.0605. TIME LIMITS FOR REQUEST FOR EXTENSION.~~**¶

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~~Requests for extensions of time on the expiration times of permits, plan checks, and slight modifications shall not be made later than 90 days after the expiration time specified in this division.~~