## CHAPTER 1 SCOPE AND ADMINISTRATION

## | PART 1—SCOPE AND APPLICATION

### SECTION 101 GENERAL

**101.1 Title.** These regulations shall be known as the *Oregon Structural Specialty Code*, and may be cited as such and will be referred to herein as "this code."

## > 101.2 Scope.

**101.2.1 General.** The scope of this code is as provided in ORS 455.020(1).

**ORS 455.020** is not a part of this code but is reproduced here for the reader's convenience:

# 455.020 Purpose; scope of application; exceptions; scope of rules; fees by rule.

(1) This chapter is enacted to enable the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services to promulgate a state building code to govern the construction, reconstruction, alteration and repair of buildings and other structures and the installation of mechanical devices and equipment therein, and to require the correction of unsafe conditions caused by earthquakes in existing buildings. The state building code shall establish uniform performance standards providing reasonable safeguards for health, safety, welfare, comfort and security of the residents of this state who are occupants and users of buildings, and will provide for the use of modern methods, devices, materials, techniques and practicable maximum energy conservation.

This code shall not apply to the construction, alteration, moving, demolition, repair, maintenance and work located primarily in a public way, public utility towers and poles, mechanical equipment not specifically regulated in this code, and hydraulic flood control structures.

Municipalities, as defined in ORS 455.010(5), may establish administrative procedures in accordance with ORS 455.020(4), and may amend specific sections of Chapter 1, as identified throughout the chapter.

Municipalities are permitted to enact local ordinances or other laws to address the demolition of structures or other related topics not addressed by this code.

**Exception:** Detached one- and two-family *dwellings* and multiple single-family *dwellings* (*townhouses*) not more than three *stories* above *grade plane* in height with a separate *means of egress* and their accessory structures shall comply with the *Residential Code*.

**101.2.2 Appendices.** Provisions in the appendices shall not apply unless specifically adopted as noted below.

### 101.2.2.1 Appendix chapters adopted:

- 1. Appendix C (Agricultural Buildings);
- 2. Appendix I (Patio Covers);
- 3. Appendix SR (Special Residential Occupancies).

**101.2.2.2** Appendix chapters available for municipal adoption. Municipalities may adopt the listed appendix chapters by local ordinance. Such adoptions shall comply with the requirements specified in the adopted appendix unless otherwise approved under the provisions of ORS 455.040.

- 1. Appendix Chapter L (Wildfire Hazard Mitigation) is adopted and can be implemented locally upon the adoption of the maps and/or zoning required by the specific appendix chapter.
- 2. Appendix J (Grading)

**101.2.2.3** Appendix N (Low-rise Code Apartment Provisions) has been adopted by the Oregon Residential Structures Board and is provided in this code to ensure compatibility with the scope of nationally recognized model building codes adopted by the State of Oregon.

**101.3 Purpose.** The purpose of this code is as provided in ORS 455.020(1), as noted in Section 101.2, and to establish the minimum requirements to safeguard the public health, safety and general welfare through structural strength, *means of egress* facilities, stability, sanitation, adequate light and ventilation, energy conservation, and safety to life and property from fire and other hazards attributed to the built environment and to provide safety to fire fighters and emergency responders during emergency operations.

The purpose of this code is not to create or otherwise establish or designate any particular class or group of persons who will or should be especially protected or benefited by the terms of this code.

**101.4 Statutory references.** This code is adopted pursuant to Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS). Where in any specific case this code and the statutes specify different requirements, the statute shall govern. Statutes related to this code are ORS 455.010 through 455.895 and ORS 447.210 through 447.310.

Statutes referenced may be obtained from the Building Codes Division, 1535 Edgewater NW, Salem, OR 97310 at a nominal cost or read online at http://www.bcd.oregon.gov/rules\_statutes.html.

## SECTION 102 APPLICABILITY

**102.1 General.** Where there is a conflict between a general requirement and a specific requirement, the specific requirement shall be applicable. Where, in any specific case, different sections of this code specify different materials, methods of construction or other requirements, the most restrictive shall govern.

**102.2 Other laws.** The provisions of this code shall not be deemed to nullify any provisions of local, state or federal law.

**102.3 Application of references.** References to chapter or section numbers, or to provisions not specifically identified by number, shall be construed to refer to such chapter, section or provision of this code.

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**102.4 Referenced codes and standards.** The codes and standards referenced in this code shall be considered part of the requirements of this code to the prescribed extent of each such reference. Where differences occur between provisions of this code and referenced codes and standards, the provisions of this code shall apply.

**102.5 Partial invalidity.** In the event that any part or provision of this code is held to be illegal or void, this shall not have the effect of making void or illegal any of the other parts or provisions.

**102.6 Existing structures.** The legal occupancy of any structure existing on the date of adoption of this code shall be permitted to continue without change, except as is specifically covered in this code or the *Fire Code*, or as is deemed necessary by the *building official* for the general safety and welfare of the occupants and the public.

## | PART 2—ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT

## SECTION 103 DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING SAFETY

Note: Unless amended by a municipality under authority of ORS 455.040, Sections 103.1 through 103.3 apply.

**103.1 Creation of enforcement agency.** The Department of Building Safety is hereby created and the official in charge thereof shall be known as the *building official*.

**103.2 Appointment.** The *building official* shall be appointed by the chief appointing authority of the jurisdiction.

**103.3 Deputies.** In accordance with the prescribed procedures of this jurisdiction and with the concurrence of the appointing authority, the *building official* shall have the authority to appoint a deputy building official, the related technical officers, inspectors, plan examiners and other employees. Such employees shall have a delegated by the *building official*.

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### SECTION 104 DUTIES AND POWERS OF BUILDING OFFICIAL

Note: Unless amended by a municipality under authority of ORS 455.020, Sections 104.1, 104.3, 104.6 apply.

**104.1 General.** The *building official* is hereby authorized and directed to enforce the provisions of this code. The *building official* shall have the authority to render interpretations of this code and to adopt policies and procedures in order to clarify the application of its provisions. Such interpretations, policies and procedures shall be in compliance with the intent and purpose of this code. Such policies and procedures shall not have the effect of waiving requirements specifically provided for in this code.

**104.2 Applications and permits.** The *building official* shall receive applications, review *construction documents* and issue *permits* for the erection, and *alteration*, demolition and moving of buildings and structures, inspect the premises for which such *permits* have been issued and enforce compliance with the provisions of this code.

**104.3 Notices and orders.** The *building official* shall issue all necessary notices or orders to ensure compliance with this code.

**104.4 Inspections.** The *building official* shall make all of the required inspections, or the *building official* shall have the authority to accept reports of inspection by *approved agencies* or individuals. Reports of such inspections shall be in writing and be certified by a responsible officer of such *approved agency* or by the responsible individual. The *building official* is authorized to engage such expert opinion as deemed necessary to report upon unusual technical issues that arise, subject to the approval of the appointing authority.

## 104.5 Reserved.

**104.6 Right of entry.** Where it is necessary to make an inspection to enforce the provisions of this code, or where the *build-ing official* has reasonable cause to believe that there exists in a structure or upon a premises a condition which is contrary to or in violation of this code which makes the structure or premises unsafe, dangerous or hazardous, the *building official* is authorized to enter the structure or premises at reasonable times to inspect or to perform the duties imposed by this code, provided that if such structure or premises be occupied that credentials be presented to the occupant and entry requested. If such structure or premises is unoccupied, the *building official* shall first make a reasonable effort to locate the owner or other person having charge or control of the structure or premises and request entry. If entry is refused, the *building official* shall have recourse to the remedies provided by law to secure entry.

**104.7 Department records.** The building official shall keep official records as dictated by OAR 166-150-0020 where a county has jurisdiction, OAR 166-200-0025 where a city has jurisdiction and OAR Chapter 166 Division 300 et al for the cities and counties where the State of Oregon has jurisdiction. Such records shall be retained in the official records for the period indicated in the respective OAR sections noted above. The building official shall maintain a permanent record of all permits issued in flood hazard areas, including copies of inspection reports and certifications required in Section 1612.

**104.8 Liability.** See ORS 30.265 for regulations relating to liability.

**ORS 30.265** is not a part of this code but is reproduced here for the reader's convenience:

# **30.265** Scope of liability of public body, officers, employees and agents; liability in nuclear incident.

(1) Subject to the limitations of ORS 30.260 to 30.300, every public body is subject to action or suit for its torts and those of its officers, employees and agents acting within the scope of their employment or duties, whether arising out of a governmental or proprietary function or while operating a motor vehicle in a ridesharing arrangement authorized under ORS 276.598. The sole cause of action for any tort of officers, employees or agents of a public body acting within the scope of their employment or duties and eligible for representation and indemnification under ORS 30.285 or 30.287 shall be an action against the public body only. The remedy provided by ORS 30.260 to 30.300 is exclusive of any other action or suit against any such officer, employee or agent of a public body whose act or omission within the scope of the officer's, employee's or agent's employment or duties gives rise to the action or suit. No other form of civil action or suit shall be permitted. If an action or suit is filed against an officer, employee or agent of a public body, on appropriate motion the public body shall be substituted as the only defendant. Substitution of the public body as the defendant

does not exempt the public body from making any report required under ORS 742.400.

(2) Every public body is immune from liability for any claim for injury to or death of any person or injury to property resulting from an act or omission of an officer, employee or agent of a public body when such officer, employee or agent is immune from liability.

(3) Every public body and its officers, employees and agents acting within the scope of their employment or duties, or while operating a motor vehicle in a ridesharing arrangement authorized under ORS 276.598, are immune from liability for:

(a) Any claim for injury to or death of any person covered by any workers' compensation law.

(b) Any claim in connection with the assessment and collection of taxes.

(c) Any claim based upon the performance of or the failure to exercise or perform a discretionary function or duty, whether or not the discretion is abused.

(d) Any claim that is limited or barred by the provisions of any other statute, including but not limited to any statute of ultimate repose.

(e) Any claim arising out of riot, civil commotion or mob action or out of any act or omission in connection with the prevention of any of the foregoing.

(f) Any claim arising out of an act done or omitted under apparent authority of a law, resolution, rule or regulation that is unconstitutional, invalid or inapplicable except to the extent that they would have been liable had the law, resolution, rule or regulation been constitutional, valid and applicable, unless such act was done or omitted in bad faith or with malice.

(4) Subsection (1) of this section applies to any action of any officer, employee or agent of the state relating to a nuclear incident, whether or not the officer, employee or agent is acting within the scope of employment, and provided the nuclear incident is covered by an insurance or indemnity agreement under 42 U.S.C. 2210.

(5) Subsection (3)(c) of this section does not apply to any discretionary act that is found to be the cause or partial cause of a nuclear incident covered by an insurance or indemnity agreement under the provisions of 42 U.S.C. 2210, including but not limited to road design and route selection.

**104.9 Approved materials and equipment.** Materials, equipment and devices *approved* by the *building official* shall be constructed and installed in accordance with such approval.

**104.9.1 Used materials and equipment.** The use of used materials which meet the requirements of this code for new materials is permitted.

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**104.10 Modifications.** Wherever there are practical difficulties involved in carrying out the provisions of this code, the *building official* shall have the authority to grant modifications for individual cases, upon application of the owner or owner's representative, provided the *building official* shall first find that special individual reason makes the strict letter of this code impractical and the modification is in compliance with the intent and purpose of this code and that such modification does not lessen health, accessibility, life and fire safety, or structural requirements. The details of action granting modifications shall be recorded and entered in the files of the department of building safety.

**104.11** Alternative materials, design and methods of construction and equipment. The provisions of this code are not intended to prevent the installation of any material or to prohibit any design or method of construction not specifically prescribed by this code, provided that any such alternative has been *approved*. An alternative material, design or method of construction shall be *approved* where the *building official* finds that the proposed design is satisfactory and complies with the intent of the provisions of this code, and that the material, method or work offered is, for the purpose intended, at least the equivalent of that prescribed in this code in quality, strength, effectiveness, *fire resistance*, durability and safety.

**104.11.1 Research reports.** Supporting data, where necessary to assist in the approval of materials or assemblies not specifically provided for in this code, shall consist of valid research reports from *approved* sources.

**104.11.2 Tests.** Whenever there is insufficient evidence of compliance with the provisions of this code, or evidence that a material or method does not conform to the requirements of this code, or in order to substantiate claims for alternative materials or methods, the *building official* shall have the authority to require tests as evidence of compliance to be made at no expense to the jurisdiction. Test methods shall be as specified in this code or by other recognized test standards. In the absence of recognized and accepted test methods, the *building official* shall approve the testing procedures. Tests shall be performed by an *approved agency*. Reports of such tests shall be retained by the *building official* for the period required for retention of public records.

**104.12 Request for ruling.** ORS 455.060 provides for state rulings on acceptable materials, designs and methods of construction. When a ruling has been issued, ORS 455.060(4) applies.

**ORS 455.060** is not a part of this code but is reproduced here for the reader's convenience:

# 455.060 Rulings on acceptability of material, design or method of construction; effect of approval.

(1) Any person who desires to use or furnish any material, design or method of construction or installation in the state, or any building official, may request the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services to issue a ruling with respect to the acceptability of any material, design or method of construction about which there is a question under any provision of the state building code. Requests shall be in writing and, if made by anyone other than a building official, shall be made and the ruling issued prior to the use or attempted use of such questioned material, design or method.

(2) In making rulings, the director shall obtain the approval of the appropriate advisory board as to technical and scientific facts and shall consider the standards and interpretations published by the body that promulgated any nationally recognized model code adopted as a specialty code of this state.

(3) A copy of the ruling issued by the director shall be certified to the person making the request. Additional copies shall be transmitted to all building officials in the state. The director shall keep a permanent record of all such rulings, and shall furnish copies thereof to any interested person upon payment of such fees as the director may prescribe.

(4) A building official or inspector shall approve the use of any material, design or method of construction approved by the director pursuant to this section if the requirements of all other local ordinances are satisfied.

## SECTION 105 PERMITS

**105.1 Required.** Any owner or authorized agent who intends to construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, change the character or use of the occupancy, or change the occupancy of a building or structure which is regulated by this code, or to cause any such work to be done, shall first make application to the *building official* and obtain the required *permit*. [See ORS 455.020(2)].

## **Exceptions:**

- 1. Construction subject to minor labels and master permits when authorized by the inspection authority under Oregon Administrative Rules Chapter 918, Division 100.
- 2. Temporary (180 days) structural supports, structural replacement or repairs performed in an emergency on an existing structure. The authority having jurisdiction shall be notified of this work within 72 hours and permit application for the temporary work shall be submitted within the next 10 business days.

For prohibitions against siting new essential facilities and new special occupancy structures in tsunami inundation zones, see Section 1802.

**ORS 455.020** (2) is not a part of this code but is reprinted here for the reader's convenience:

## **455.020** (2) Purpose: scope of application; exceptions; scope of rules; fees by rule.

(2) The rules adopted pursuant to this chapter shall include structural standards; standards for the installation and use of mechanical, heating and ventilating devices and equipment; and standards for prefabricated structures; and shall, subject to ORS 455.210, prescribe reasonable fees for the issuance of building permits and similar documents, inspections and plan review services by the Department of Consumer and Business Services. The department may also establish, by rule, the amount of any fee pertaining to the state building code or any specialty code that is authorized by statute, but for which an amount is not specified by statute.

**105.2 Work exempt from permit.** 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 ordinances of this jurisdiction. *Permits* shall not be required for the following:

- 1. One-story detached accessory structures used as tool and storage sheds, playhouses and similar uses, provided the floor area does not exceed 120 square feet (11 m<sup>2</sup>).
- 2. Fences not over 6 feet (1829 mm) high.
- 3. Oil derricks.
- 4. Retaining walls that are not over 4 feet (1219 mm) in height measured from the bottom of the footing to the top of the wall, unless supporting a surcharge or impounding Class I, II or IIIA liquids.
- 5. Water tanks supported directly on grade if the capacity does not exceed 5,000 gallons (18 925 L)

and the ratio of height to diameter or width does not exceed 2:1.

- 6. Platforms, sidewalks and driveways not more than 30 inches (762 mm) above adjacent grade, and not over any basement or *story* below and are not part of an *accessible route*.
- 7. Painting, papering, tiling, carpeting, cabinets, counter tops and similar finish work.
- 8. Temporary motion picture, television and theater stage sets and scenery.
- 9. Prefabricated swimming pools accessory to a Group R-3 occupancy that are less than 24 inches (610 mm) deep, do not exceed 5,000 gallons (18 925 L) and are installed entirely above ground.
- 10. Shade cloth structures constructed for nursery or agricultural purposes, not including service systems.

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- 11. Window *awnings* supported by an *exterior wall* that || do not project more than 54 inches (1372 mm) from the *exterior wall* and do not require additional support of Groups R-3 and U occupancies.
- 12. Nonfixed and movable fixtures, cases, racks, coun- || ters and partitions not over 5 feet 9 inches (1753 mm) in height.
- 13. Farm agricultural buildings exempted in ORS 455.315 (see also Appendix C).
- 14. Equine facilities exempted in ORS 455.315.

Note: Unless otherwise exempted, separate plumbing, electrical and mechanical permits may be required for the above-exempted items. Additionally, all new construction and substantial improvements (including the placement of prefabricated buildings and certain building work exempt from permit under Section 105.2) shall be designed and constructed with methods, practices and materials that minimize flood damage in accordance with this code, FEMA regulations and ASCE 24.

**105.2.1 Repairs.** Application or notice to the *building official* is not required for ordinary repairs to structures, Such repairs shall not include the cutting away of any wall, partition or portion thereof, the removal or cutting of any structural beam or load-bearing support, or the removal or change of any required *means of egress*, or rearrangement of parts of a structure affecting the egress requirements; nor shall ordinary repairs include *addition* to, *alteration* of, replacement or relocation of any standpipe.

Note: Unless amended locally by a municipality under authority of ORS 455.020 the requirements of Sections 105.3 through 105.6 apply.

**105.3 Application for permit.** To obtain a *permit*, the applicant shall first file an application therefor in writing on a form furnished by the department of building safety for that purpose. Such application shall:

- 1. Identify and describe the work to be covered by the *permit* for which application is made.
- 2. Describe the land on which the proposed work is to be done by legal description, street address or similar

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description that will readily identify and definitely locate the proposed building or work.

- 3. Indicate the use and occupancy for which the proposed work is intended.
- 4. Be accompanied by *construction documents* and other information as required in Section 107.
- 5. State the valuation of the proposed work.
- 6. Be signed by the applicant, or the applicant's authorized agent.
- 7. Give such other data and information as required by the *building official*.

**105.3.1 Action on application.** The *building official* shall examine or cause to be examined applications for *permits* and amendments thereto within a reasonable time after filing. If the application or the *construction documents* do not conform to the requirements of pertinent laws, the *building official* shall reject such application in writing, stating the reasons therefor. If the *building official* is satisfied that the proposed work conforms to the requirements of this code and laws and ordinances applicable thereto, the *building official* shall issue a *permit* therefor as soon as practicable.

**105.3.2 Time limitation of application.** An application for a *permit* for any proposed work shall be deemed to have been abandoned 180 days after the date of filing, unless such application has been pursued in good faith or a *permit* has been issued; except that the *building official* is authorized to grant one or more extensions of time for additional periods not exceeding 90 days each. The extension shall be requested in writing and justifiable cause demonstrated.

**105.4 Validity of permit.** The issuance or granting of a *permit* shall not be construed to be a *permit* for, or an approval of, any violation of any of the provisions of this code or of any other

- 1 laws or ordinances of the jurisdiction. *Permits* presuming to give authority to violate or cancel the provisions of this code or
- other laws or ordinances of the jurisdiction shall not be valid. The issuance of a *permit* based on *construction documents* and other data shall not prevent the *building official* from requiring the correction of errors in the *construction documents* and other data. The *building official* is also authorized to prevent occupancy or use of a structure where in violation of this code
  or of any other laws or ordinances of this jurisdiction.
  - **105.5 Expiration.** Every *permit* issued shall become invalid unless the work on the site authorized by such *permit* is commenced within 180 days after its issuance, or if the work authorized on the site by such *permit* is suspended or abandoned for a period of 180 days after the time the work is commenced. The *building official* is authorized to grant, in writing, one or more extensions of time, for periods not more than 180 days each. The extension shall be requested in writing and justifiable cause demonstrated.

**105.6 Suspension or revocation.** The *building official* is authorized to suspend or revoke a *permit* issued under the provisions of this code wherever the *permit* is issued in error or on the basis of incorrect, inaccurate or incomplete information, or in violation of any ordinance or regulation or any of the provisions of this code.

**105.7 Placement of permit.** The building *permit* or copy shall be kept on the site of the work until the completion of the project.

## SECTION 106 FLOOR AND ROOF DESIGN LOADS

**106.1 Live loads posted.** Where the live loads for which each floor or portion thereof of a commercial or industrial building is or has been designed to exceed 50 psf (2.40 kN/m<sup>2</sup>), such design live loads shall be conspicuously posted by the owner in that part of each *story* in which they apply, using durable signs. It shall be unlawful to remove or deface such notices

**106.2 Issuance of certificate of occupancy.** A certificate of occupancy required by Section 111 shall not be issued until the floor load signs, required by Section 106.1, have been installed.

**106.3 Restrictions on loading.** It shall be unlawful to place, or cause or permit to be placed, on any floor or roof of a building, structure or portion thereof, a load greater than is permitted by this code.

## SECTION 107 SUBMITTAL DOCUMENTS

**107.1 General.** Submittal documents consisting of *construction documents*, statement of *special inspections*, geotechnical report and other data shall be submitted in two or more sets with each *permit* application. The *construction documents* shall be prepared by a *registered design professional* where required by the statutes of the jurisdiction in which the project is to be constructed. Where special conditions exist, the *build-ing official* is authorized to require additional *construction documents* to be prepared by a *registered design professional*.

## **Exceptions:**

- 1. The *building official* may waive the submission of plans, calculations, *construction* inspection requirements and other data and related plan review fee if it is found that the nature of the work applied for is such that reviewing of plans is not necessary to obtain compliance with this code.
- 2. Plans, specifications, calculations, diagrams and other data prepared and designed by an engineer or architect licensed by the state to practice as such are not required for the following work, provided the building official determines that the work is not of a highly technical nature or there is no unreasonable potential risk to life and/or safety of the structure:
  - 2.1. The erection, enlargement or alteration of any building, or any appurtenance thereto, where the resulting building has a ground area of 4,000 square feet (372 m<sup>2</sup>) or less and is not more than 20 feet (6096 mm) in height from the top surface of the lowest floor to the highest interior overhead finish (see ORS 671.030).
  - 2.2. A single-family dwelling, farm agricultural building, nonfarm agricultural building, or accessory building to a single-family dwell-

ing, farm agricultural building, or nonfarm agricultural building.

2.3. Alterations or repairs that do not involve the structural parts of the building.

**ORS 672.107** is not part of this code but is reproduced here for the reader's convenience:

# 672.107 Structural engineer registration for performing engineering services on significant structures; rules.

- (1) For purposes of this section:
  - (a) "Significant structure" means:

(A) Hazardous facilities and special occupancy structures, as defined in ORS 455.447;

(B) Essential facilities, as defined in ORS 455.447, that have a ground area of more than 4,000 square feet and are more than 20 feet in height;

(C) Structures that the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services determines to have irregular features; and

(D) Buildings that are customarily occupied by human beings and are more than four stories or 45 feet above average ground level.

(b) "Significant structure" does not include:

(A) One-family and two-family dwellings and accompanying accessory structures;

(B) Agricultural buildings or equine facilities, both as defined in ORS 455.315;

(C) Buildings located on lands exempt from Department of Consumer and Business Services enforcement of building code regulations; or

(2) Consistent with ORS 672.255, the State Board of Examiners for Engineering and Land Surveying shall adopt rules establishing standards of competence in structural engineering analysis and design relating to seismic influence.

(3) An engineer must be registered with the board as a professional structural engineer under subsection (2) of this section to provide structural engineering services for significant structures. [formerly 672.129]

**107.2 Construction documents.** *Construction documents* shall be in accordance with Sections 107.2.1 through 107.2.5.

**107.2.1 Information on construction documents.** *Construction documents* shall be dimensioned and drawn upon suitable material. Electronic media documents are permitted to be submitted when *approved* by the *building official*. *Construction documents* shall be of sufficient clarity to indicate the location, nature and extent of the work proposed and show in detail that it will conform to the provisions of this code and relevant laws, ordinances, rules and regulations, as determined by the *building official*.

**107.2.2 Fire protection system shop drawings.** Shop drawings for the *fire protection system(s)* shall be submitted to indicate conformance to this code and the *construction documents* and shall be *approved* prior to the start of system installation. Shop drawings shall contain all information as required by the referenced installation standards in Chapter 9.

**107.2.3 Means of egress.** The *construction documents* shall show in sufficient detail the location, construction, size and

character of all portions of the *means of egress* in compliance with the provisions of this code. In other than occupancies in Groups R-2, R-3, and I-1, the *construction documents* shall designate the number of occupants to be accommodated on every floor, and in all rooms and spaces.

**107.2.4 Exterior wall envelope.** Construction documents for all buildings shall describe the *exterior wall envelope* in sufficient detail to determine compliance with this code. The *construction documents* shall provide details of the *exterior wall envelope* as required, including flashing, intersections with dissimilar materials, corners, end details, control joints, intersections at roof, eaves or parapets, means of drainage, water-resistive membrane and details around openings.

The *construction documents* shall include manufacturer's installation instructions that provide supporting documentation that the proposed penetration and opening details described in the *construction documents* maintain the weather resistance of the *exterior wall envelope*. The supporting documentation shall fully describe the *exterior wall* system which was tested, where applicable, as well as the test procedure used.

**107.2.5 Site plan.** The *construction documents* submitted with the application for *permit* shall be accompanied by a site plan showing to scale the size and location of new construction and existing structures on the site, distances from *lot lines*, the established street grades and the proposed finished grades and, as applicable, the delineation of flood hazard areas, floodway boundries, flood zones, *design flood* elevations, ground elevations, proposed fill and excavation and drainage patterns and facilities and it shall be drawn in accordance with an accurate boundary line survey. The *building official* is authorized to waive or modify the requirement for a site plan when the application for *permit* is for *alteration* or repair or when otherwise warranted.

**107.2.5.1 Design flood elevations.** Where *design flood* elevations are not specified, they shall be established in accordance with Section 1612.3.1.

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**107.3 Examination of documents.** The *building official* shall examine or cause to be examined the accompanying submittal documents and shall ascertain by such examinations whether the construction indicated and described is in accordance with the requirements of this code and other pertinent laws or ordinances.

**107.3.1 Approval of construction documents.** When the *building official* issues a *permit*, the *construction documents* shall be *approved*, in writing or by stamp, as "Reviewed for Code Compliance." One set of *construction documents* so reviewed shall be retained by the *building official*. The other set shall be returned to the applicant, shall be kept at the site of work and shall be open to inspection by the *building official* or a duly authorized representative. Construction documents shall be approved in the timelines specified in ORS 455.467.

**107.3.2 Previous approvals.** This code shall not require changes in the *construction documents*, construction or designated occupancy of a structure for which a lawful *permit* has been heretofore issued or otherwise lawfully authorized, and the construction of which has been pursued in good faith within 180 days after the effective date of this code and has not been abandoned.

**ORS 455.467** (1)&(2) are not part of this code but are reproduced here for the reader's convenience:

455.467 Timelines for approval or disapproval of certain specialty code building plans; exceptions; phased permit systems; failure to adhere to timelines.

(1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, for specialty code plan reviews of simple low-rise residential dwellings, the Department of Consumer and Business Services or a municipality that administers a building inspection program under ORS 455.148 or 455.150 shall approve or disapprove the specialty code building plan:

(a) For a jurisdiction with a population that is less than 300,000, within 10 business days of receiving a complete application, or shall implement the process described in ORS 455.465.

(b) For a jurisdiction with a population that is 300,000 or more, within 15 business days of receiving a complete application, or shall implement the process described in ORS 455.465.

(2) The 10-day and 15-day requirements in subsection (1) of this section do not apply if:

(a) The plan requires approval by federal, state or local agencies outside the jurisdiction of the issuing agency;

(b) The plan is for a complex structure that requires additional review as determined by the department or municipality; or

(c) Based on conditions that exist in the affected municipality, the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services authorizes a different plan review schedule as described in a building inspection program submitted under ORS 455.148 or 455.150.

**107.3.3 Phased approval.** The *building official* is authorized to issue a *permit* for the construction of foundations or any other part of a building or structure before the *construction documents* for the whole building or structure have been submitted, provided that adequate information and detailed statements have been filed complying with pertinent requirements of this code. The holder of such *permit* for the foundation or other parts of a building or structure shall proceed at the holder's own risk with the building operation and without assurance that a *permit* for the entire structure will be granted.

**ORS 455.467 (3),(4),(5), & (6)** are not part of this code but are reproduced here for the reader's convenience:

(3) For specialty code plan reviews of commercial structures, a municipality shall include in its building inspection program submitted under ORS 455.148 or 455.150 a process for plan review services. The municipality shall include in its program detailed reasons supporting the proposed plan review process. The plan review services provided by the municipality shall:

(a) Allow an applicant to defer the submittal of plans for one or more construction phases for a commercial construction project in accordance with the state building code; and

(b) Allow an applicant to receive permits for each of the phases of a commercial construction project as described in the state building code when the plan review for that phase is approved.

(4) For a phased commercial construction project as described in subsection (3) of this section, the municipality shall inform the applicant of the detailed plans necessary for each phase of the project and the estimated time for initial and phased review of the building plans for conformance with the state building code.

(5) An applicant submitting plans under subsection (3) of this section is responsible for ensuring that the project meets all specialty code requirements and that the project does not proceed beyond the level of approval authorized by the building official.

(6) A municipality that repeatedly fails to meet the plan review period described in this section or otherwise authorized in its building inspection program submitted under ORS 455.148 or 455.150 shall be considered to be engaging in a pattern of conduct of failing to provide timely plan reviews under ORS 455.160.

### 107.3.4 Design professional in responsible charge.

**107.3.4.1 General.** When it is required that documents be prepared by a *registered design professional*, the *building official* shall be authorized to require the owner to engage and designate on the building *permit* application a *registered design professional* who shall act as the *registered design professional* in *responsible charge*. If the circumstances require, the owner shall designate a substitute *registered design professional in responsible charge* who shall perform the duties required of the original *registered design professional in responsible charge*. The *building official* shall be notified in writing by the owner if the *registered design professional in responsible charge* is changed or is unable to continue to perform the duties.

The registered design professional in responsible charge shall be responsible for reviewing and coordinating submittal documents prepared by others, including phased and deferred submittal items, for compatibility with the design of the building.

**107.3.4.2 Deferred submittals.** For the purposes of this section, deferred submittals are defined as those portions of the design that are not submitted at the time of the application and that are to be submitted to the *building official* within a specified period.

Deferral of any submittal items shall have the prior approval of the *building official*. The *registered design professional in responsible charge* shall list the deferred submittals on the *construction documents* for review by the *building official*.

Documents for deferred submittal items shall be submitted to the *registered design professional in responsible charge* who shall review them and forward them to the *building official* with a notation indicating that the deferred submittal documents have been reviewed and found to be in general conformance to the design of the building. The deferred submittal items shall not be installed until the deferred submittal documents have been *approved* by the *building official*. [See ORS 455.467 (3) above].

**107.3.5 State fire and life safety plan review, occupancies to be reviewed.** ORS 479.155(2) requires submission of plans for review and approval of certain occupancies.

Unless exempted by the Building Codes Division through delegation of the fire and life safety plan review program, the owner shall submit to the building codes administrator two copies (or, when required, an additional copy shall be submitted for local government use) of a plan or sketch drawn clearly and to scale showing information as set forth in Section 107.3.5.1 for review and approval prior to beginning construction or alteration.

Fire and life safety plan review is required for the following occupancies:

- 1. Group A occupancies.
- 2. Group B occupancies over 4,000 square feet (372 m<sup>2</sup>), or more than 20 feet (6096 mm) in height, or with a basement.
- 3. Group E occupancies.
- 4. Group F occupancies over 4,000 square feet (372 m<sup>2</sup>) or more than 20 feet (6096 mm) in height, or with a basement.
- 5. Group H occupancies of 1,500 square feet (139 m<sup>2</sup>) or more than 20 feet (6096 mm) in height, or with a basement.
- 6. Group I occupancies.
- Group M occupancies over 4,000 square feet (372 m<sup>2</sup>) or more than 20 feet (6096 mm) in height, or with a basement.
- 8. Group R, Divisions 1, 2 and 4 occupancies over 4,000 square feet (372 m<sup>2</sup>) or more than 20 feet (6096 mm) in height, or with a basement over 1,500 square feet (139 m<sup>2</sup>).
- 9. Group S, Division 1, 2, and 3 occupancies over 4,000 square feet (32 m<sup>2</sup>) or more than 20 feet (6096 mm) in height, or with a basement.
- Group U, Division 1 occupancies over 4,000 square feet (372 m<sup>2</sup>) or more than 20 feet (6096 mm) in height, or with a basement.

Two copies of a plot plan for the occupancies listed above shall be submitted for the placing of prefabricated structures to show the relationship of all adjacent buildings and their exitways.

**ORS 479.155(2)** is not a part of this code but is reproduced here for the reader's convenience:

479.155 Plan of proposed construction or alteration; declaration of value; approval of plan; effect of approval; rules.

(2) Prior to construction or alteration of a hospital, public building as defined in ORS 479.168, public garage, dry cleaning establishment, apartment house, hotel, bulk oil storage plant, school, institution as defined in ORS 479.210, or any other building or structure regulated by the State Fire Marshal for use and occupancy or requiring approval by the State Fire Marshal pursuant to statute, the owner shall submit to the director two copies of a plan or sketch showing the location of the building or structure with relation to the premises, distances, lengths and details of construction as the director shall require. A filing is not required with respect to any such building or structure in any area exempted by order of the State Fire Marshal pursuant to ORS 476.030. Approval of the plans or sketches by the director is considered approval by the State Fire Marshal and satisfies any statutory provision requiring approval by the State Fire Marshal.

**107.3.5.1 Fire and life safety plan review limits.** The following portions of this code shall be used to review the plans submitted under this subsection. (These requirements are not intended to apply to structural, architec-

tural, light and ventilation, disabled access and energy conservation requirements of the code except as they affect requirements included on the list.)

Chapter 1, except Sections 103, 104.1 through 104.8, 104.11, 105, 109, 1010, and 113; Chapter 2: Chapter 3; Chapter 4; Chapter 5: Chapter 6; Chapter 7; Chapter 8; Chapter 9; Chapter 10; Chapter 11 (area of rescue assistance); Chapter 14: Chapter 15 (except Sections 1503 and 1504); Chapter 24; Chapter 26; Chapter 31; Chapter 32; Chapter 34; Appendix C; Appendix L; and Appendix SR.

**107.4 Amended construction documents.** Work shall be installed in accordance with the *approved construction documents*, and any changes made during construction that are not in compliance with the *approved construction documents* shall be resubmitted for approval as an amended set of *construction documents*.

**107.5 Retention of construction documents.** One set of *approved construction documents* shall be retained by the *building official* for a period of not less than that dictated by OAR 166-150-0020 where a county has jurisdiction, OAR 166-200-0025 where a city has jurisdiction and OAR 166-300 et al for the jurisdictions where the State of Oregon has jurisdiction. One set of approved plans and specifications shall be returned to the applicant, and said set shall be kept on the site of the building or work at all times during which the work authorized thereby is in progress. The building official shall maintain a permanent record of all permits issued in flood hazard areas, including copies of inspection reports and certifications required in Section 1612.

## SECTION 108 TEMPORARY STRUCTURES AND USES

**108.1 General.** The building official is authorized to issue a permit for temporary structures and temporary uses. Such permits shall be limited as to time of service, but shall not be permitted for more than 180 days. The building official is authorized to grant extensions for demonstrated cause. See Chapter 31 for further requirements.

Note: Membrane structures erected for a period of less than 180 days are regulated under the *Fire Code*.

**108.2 Conformance.** Temporary structures and uses shall conform to the structural strength, fire safety, *means of egress*,

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accessibility, light, ventilation and sanitary requirements of this code as necessary to ensure public health, safety and general welfare.

108.3 Termination of approval. The *building official* is authorized to terminate such *permit* for a temporary structure or use and to order the temporary structure or use to be discontinued.

#### SECTION 109 FEES

Note: Unless amended locally by a municipality under authority of ORS 455.020 and 455.210, the requirements of Section 109 apply.

**109.1 Payment of fees.** A *permit* shall not be valid until the fees prescribed by law have been paid, nor shall an amendment to a *permit* be released until the additional fee, if any, has been paid.

109.2 Schedule of permit fees. On buildings, structures or *alterations* requiring a *permit*, a fee for each *permit* shall be paid as required, in accordance with the schedule as established by the applicable governing authority, under authority of ORS 455.020 and 455.210.

**ORS 455.210** (3)(a) is not a part of this code but is reproduced for the reader's convenience:

(3)(a) Fees; appeal of fees; surcharge; reduced fees. A municipality may adopt by ordinance or regulation such fees as may be necessary and reasonable to provide for the administration and enforcement of any specialty code or codes for which the municipality has assumed responsibility under ORS 455.148 or 455.150. A municipality shall give the director notice of the proposed adoption of a new or increased fee under this subsection. The municipality shall give the notice to the director at the time the municipality provides the opportunity for public comment under ORS 294.160 regarding the fee or, if the proposed fee is contained in an estimate of municipal budget resources, at the time notice of the last budget meeting is published in a newspaper under ORS 294.401.

**109.2.1 Plan review fees.** When submittal documents are required by Section 107.1, a plan review fee shall be paid at the time of submitting the submittal documents for plan review. Said plan review fee shall be 65 percent of the building permit fee as established under Section 109.2. Additionally, a Fire and Life Safety Plan Review fee of 40 percent of the building permit fee as required by Section 107.3.5.

The plan review fees specified in this section are separate fees from the permit fees specified in Section 109.2 and are in addition to the permit fees. The state surcharge is not required to be applied to plan review fees.

When submittal documents are incomplete or changed so as to require additional plan review or when the project involves deferred submittal items as defined in Section 107.3.4.2, an additional plan review fee shall be charged at the rate shown in Table 1-A or the locally adopted fee schedule.

**109.3 Building permit valuations.** The applicant for a *permit* shall provide an estimated *permit* value at time of application. *Permit* valuations shall include total value of work, including materials and labor, for which the *permit* is being issued, such

as electrical, gas, mechanical, plumbing equipment and permanent systems. If, in the opinion of the *building official*, the valuation is underestimated on the application, the *permit* shall be denied, unless the applicant can show detailed estimates to meet the approval of the *building official*. Final building *permit* valuation shall be set by the *building official*.

**109.4 Work commencing before permit issuance.** Any person who commences any work on a building or structure before obtaining the necessary *permits* shall be subject to an investigation fee equal to the permit fee that shall be in addition to the required *permit* fees.

**Exception:** Work as permitted in Section 105.1.

**109.5 Related fees.** The payment of the fee for the construction or alteration for work done in connection to or concurrently with the work authorized by a building *permit* shall not relieve the applicant or holder of the *permit* from the payment of other fees that are prescribed by law.

**109.6 Refunds.** The *building official* is authorized to establish a refund policy.

### SECTION 110 INSPECTIONS

**110.1 General.** Construction or work for which a *permit* is required shall be subject to inspection by the *building official* and such construction or work shall remain accessible and exposed for inspection purposes until *approved*. Approval as a result of an inspection shall not be construed to be an approval of a violation of the provisions of this code or of other laws or || ordinances of the jurisdiction. Inspections presuming to give authority to violate or cancel the provisions of this code or of other laws or ordinances of the jurisdiction shall not be valid. It || shall be the duty of the *permit* applicant to cause the work to remain accessible and exposed for inspection purposes. Neither the *building official* nor the jurisdiction shall be liable for expense entailed in the removal or replacement of any material required to allow inspection.

**110.2 Preliminary inspection.** Before issuing a *permit*, the *building official* is authorized to examine or cause to be examined buildings, structures and sites for which an application has been filed.

**110.3 Required inspections.** The *building official*, upon notification, shall make the inspections set forth in Sections 110.3.1 through 110.3.11.

**110.3.1 Footing and foundation inspection.** Footing and foundation inspections shall be made after excavations for footings are complete and any required reinforcing steel is in place. For concrete foundations, any required forms shall be in place prior to inspection. Materials for the foundation shall be on the job, except where concrete is ready mixed in accordance with ASTM C 94, the concrete need not be on the job.

**110.3.2 Concrete slab and under-floor inspection.** Concrete slab and under-floor inspections shall be made after in-slab or under-floor reinforcing steel and building service equipment, conduit, piping accessories and other ancillary equipment items are in place, but before any concrete is placed or floor sheathing installed, including the subfloor.

**110.3.3 Lowest floor elevation.** In flood hazard areas, upon placement of the lowest floor, including the basement, and prior to further vertical construction, the elevation certification required in Section 1612.5 shall be submitted to the *building official*.

**110.3.4 Frame inspection.** Framing inspections shall be made after the roof deck or sheathing, all framing, *fireblocking* and bracing are in place and pipes, chimneys and vents to be concealed are complete and the rough electrical, plumbing, heating wires, pipes and ducts are *approved*.

**110.3.5 Lath and gypsum board inspection.** Lath and gypsum board inspections shall be made after lathing and gypsum board, interior and exterior, is in place, but before any plastering is applied or gypsum board joints and fasteners are taped and finished.

**Exception:** Gypsum board that is not part of a fire-resistance-rated assembly or a shear assembly.

**110.3.6 Fire- and smoke-resistant penetrations.** Protection of joints and penetrations in fire-resistance-rated assemblies, *smoke barriers* and smoke partitions shall not be concealed from view until inspected and *approved*.

**110.3.7 Energy efficiency inspections.** Inspections shall be made to determine compliance with Chapter 13 and shall include, but not be limited to, inspections for: envelope insulation *R*- and *U*-values, fenestration *U*-value, duct system *R*-value, and HVAC and water-heating equipment efficiency.

**110.3.8 Other inspections.** In addition to the inspections specified above, the *building official* is authorized to make or require other inspections of any construction work to ascertain compliance with the provisions of this code and other laws that are enforced by the department of building safety.

**110.3.9 Special inspections.** For *special inspections*, see Section 1704.

**110.3.10 Final inspection.** The final inspection shall be made after all work required by the building *permit* is completed.

**110.3.11 Radon mitigation inspections.** Where radon mitigation systems are required by Section 1811 or 1812, or both, inspections shall be provided in accordance with the methods and frequency prescribed in this section.

**110.3.11.1 Inspection of subfloor preparation.** In conjunction with the "*Concrete slab and under-floor inspections*" required by Section 110.3.2, the building official shall conduct subfloor preparation inspections. Such inspections shall be made after the placement of the gas-permeable layer in accordance with the compliance method selected in Section 1811.2.1 or 1812, or both. Depending upon the method of construction, inspections shall include, but not be limited to:

- 1. Aggregate type and placement.
- 2. Sand type and placement.
- 3. Geotextile fabric placement.

- 4. Gas conveyance piping system placement in accordance with Section 1811.3.3.4.
- 5. Radon suction pits, including plenum boxes, collection pits, etc.
- 6. Preparations for installation of subslab soil exhaust ducts.
- 7. Other inspections as required by the building official to ensure compliance with selected alternate methods or engineered systems.

**110.3.11.2 Inspection of walls in contact with soil-gas.** For designs incorporating walls in contact with soil-gas, the building official shall conduct inspections for compliance with Section 1811.2.4. This inspection shall be made in conjunction with the *"footing and foundation inspection"* required by Section 110.3.

**110.3.11.3 Inspection of subslab soil exhaust system duct (SSESD).** In conjunction with the "*frame inspection*" required by Section 110.3.4, the building official shall conduct SSESD inspections. Such inspections shall be made after the placement and identification of all SSESD's as required by Sections 1811.2.5 and 1812.3.7, and where an active soil depression system is selected in accordance with Section 1811.3.2.

**110.3.11.4 Inspection of SSESD blower—active soil depressurization systems (ASD).** In conjunction with the "*final inspection*" required by Section 110.3.10, the building official shall conduct ASD SSESD blower inspections. Such inspections shall be made after the installation of SSESD blowers in accordance with Section 1811.3.3.

**110.4 Inspection agencies.** The *building official* is authorized to accept reports of *approved* inspection agencies, provided such agencies satisfy the requirements as to qualifications and reliability.

**110.5 Inspection requests.** It shall be the duty of the holder of the building *permit* or their duly authorized agent to notify the *building official* when work is ready for inspection. It shall be the duty of the *permit* holder to provide access to and means for inspections of such work that are required by this code.

**110.6 Approval required.** Work shall not be done beyond the point indicated in each successive inspection without first obtaining the approval of the *building official*. The *building official*, upon notification, shall make the requested inspections and shall either indicate the portion of the construction that is satisfactory as completed, or notify the *permit* holder or his or her agent wherein the same fails to comply with this code. Any portions that do not comply shall be corrected and such portion shall not be covered or concealed until authorized by the *building official*.

## SECTION 111 CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY

**111.1 Use and occupancy.** No building or structure shall be used or occupied, and no change in the existing character, use or occupancy classification of a building or structure or portion thereof shall be made, until the *building official* has issued a certificate of occupancy for such change in character, use or occupancy therefore as provided herein. Issuance of a certificate of occupancy shall not be construed as an approval of a violation of the provisions of this code or of other ordinances of the jurisdiction.

**Exception:** Certificates of occupancy are not required for work exempt from *permits* under Section 105.2.

**111.2 Certificate issued.** After the *building official* inspects the building or structure and finds no violations of the provisions of this code or other laws that are enforced by the department of building safety, the *building official* shall issue a certificate of occupancy that contains the following:

- 1. The building *permit* number.
- 2. The address of the structure.
- 3. The name and address of the owner.
- 4. A description of that portion of the structure for which the certificate is issued.
- 5. A statement that the described portion of the structure has been inspected for compliance with the requirements of this code for the occupancy and division of occupancy and the use for which the proposed occupancy is classified.
- 6. The name of the building official.
- 7. The edition of the code under which the *permit* was issued.
- 8. The use and occupancy, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 3.
- 9. The type of construction as defined in Chapter 6.
- 10. The design occupant load.
- 11. If an *automatic sprinkler system* is provided, whether the sprinkler system is required.
- 12. Any special stipulations and conditions of the building *permit*.

**111.3 Temporary occupancy.** The *building official* is authorized to issue a temporary certificate of occupancy before the completion of the entire work covered by the *permit*, provided that such portion or portions shall be occupied safely. The *building official* shall set a time period during which the temporary certificate of occupancy is valid.

**111.4 Revocation.** The *building official* is authorized to, in writing, suspend or revoke a certificate of occupancy or completion issued under the provisions of this code wherever the certificate is issued in error, or on the basis of incorrect information supplied, or where it is determined that the building or structure or portion thereof is in violation of any ordinance or regulation or any of the provisions of this code.

## SECTION 112 SERVICE UTILITIES

Section 112 Service Utilities is not adopted by the State of Oregon but may be adopted by the local jurisdiction.

## SECTION 113 BOARD OF APPEALS

**113.1 General.** In order to hear and decide appeals of orders, decisions or determinations made by the *building official* relative to the application and interpretation of this code, the local jurisdiction shall establish an appeals procedure.

**113.2 Limitations on authority.** An application for appeal shall be based on a claim that the true intent of this code or the rules legally adopted thereunder have been incorrectly interpreted, the provisions of this code do not fully apply or an equally good or better form of construction is proposed. An appeals board, when appointed, shall have no authority to waive requirements of this code.

**113.3 Qualifications.** An appeals board, when appointed, shall || consist of members who are qualified by experience and training to pass on matters pertaining to building construction.

**113.4 Appeal of decision of building official.** ORS 455.475 provides an alternative appeals process to that set forth by the local municipality.

**ORS 455.475** is not part of this code but is reproduced here for the reader's convenience:

**455.475 Appeal of decision of building official.** A person aggrieved by a decision made by a building official under authority established pursuant to ORS 455.148, 455.150 or 455.467 may appeal the decision. The following apply to an appeal under this section:

(1) An appeal under this section shall be made first to the appropriate specialty code chief inspector of the Department of Consumer and Business Services. The decision of the department chief inspector may be appealed to the appropriate advisory board. The decision of the advisory board may only be appealed to the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services if codes in addition to the applicable specialty code are at issue.

(2) If the appropriate advisory board determines that a decision by the department chief inspector is a major code interpretation, then the inspector shall distribute the decision in writing to all applicable specialty code public and private inspection authorities in the state. The decision shall be distributed within 60 days after the board's determination, and there shall be no charge for the distribution of the decision. As used in this subsection, a "major code interpretation" means a code interpretation decision that affects or may affect more than one job site or more than one inspection jurisdiction.

(3) If an appeal is made under this section, an inspection authority shall extend the plan review deadline by the number of days it takes for a final decision to be issued for the appeal.

# Note: Forms for filing an appeal under ORS 455.475 are available online at: www.bcd.oregon.gov.

ORS 455.690 allows appeal of a local appeals board decision to the state Building Codes Structures Board. Appeals to the Building Codes Structures Board are limited to those that are technical and scientific in nature.

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**ORS 455.690** is not part of this code but is reproduced here for the reader's convenience:

**455.690 Appeal to advisory boards.** Any person aggrieved by the final decision of a municipal appeals board or a subordinate officer of the Department of Consumer and Business Services as to the application of any provision of a specialty code may, within 30 days after the date of the decision, appeal to the appropriate advisory board. The appellant shall submit a fee of \$20, payable to the department, with the request for appeal. The final decision of the involved municipality or state officer shall be subject to review and final determination by the appropriate advisory board as to technical and scientific determinations related to the application of the specialty code involved.

## SECTION 114 VIOLATIONS

>|| 114.1 Prohibited acts are as described in ORS 455.450.

**ORS 455.450** is not part of this code but is reproduced here for the reader's convenience:

455.450 Prohibited acts. A person shall not:

(1) Violate or procure, aid or abet in the violation of any final order concerning the application of a provision of the state building code in a particular case made by the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services, an advisory board, a state administrative officer or any local appeals board, building official or inspector.

(2) Engage in or procure, aid or abet any other person to engage in any conduct or activity for which a permit, certificate, label or other formal authorization is required by any specialty code or other regulation promulgated pursuant to this chapter without first having obtained such permit, certificate, label or other formal authorization.

(3) Violate, or procure or assist in the violation of, any standard, specification, requirement, prohibition or other technical provision set forth in the state building code or an applicable local building code or in any rule or order of the Department of Consumer and Business Services, an advisory board, a local governing body or local building official.

**114.2 Notice of violation.** The *building official* is authorized to serve a notice of violation or order on the person responsible

> | | for the construction, reconstruction, *alteration*, and repair of a building or structure in violation of the provisions of this code, or in violation of a *permit* or certificate issued under the provisions of this code. Such order shall direct the discontinuance of the illegal action or condition and the abatement of the violation.

114.3 Prosecution of violation. If the notice of violation is not complied with promptly, the *building official* is authorized to request the legal counsel of the jurisdiction to institute the appropriate proceeding at law.

**114.4 Violation penalties.** Any person who violates a provision of this code or fails to comply with any of the requirements thereof or who erects, constructs, alters or repairs a building or structure in violation of the *approved construction documents* or directive of the *building official*, or of a *permit* or certificate issued under the provisions of this code, shall be subject to penalties as prescribed by law.

**114.5 Penalties.** Penalties for violations are prescribed in ORS 455.895 or as adopted by the municipality having authority. Local authority to levy penalties is limited to violations of code application only.

**ORS 455.895** is not part of this code but is reproduced here for the reader's convenience:

#### 455.895 Civil penalties.

(1)(a) The State Plumbing Board may impose a civil penalty against a person as provided under ORS 447.992 and 693.992. Amounts recovered under this paragraph are subject to ORS 693.165.

(b) The Electrical and Elevator Board may impose a civil penalty against a person as provided under ORS 479.995. Amounts recovered under this paragraph are subject to ORS 479.850.

(c) The Board of Boiler Rules may impose a civil penalty against a person as provided under ORS 480.670. Amounts recovered under this paragraph are subject to ORS 480.670.

(2) The Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services, in consultation with the appropriate board, if any, may impose a civil penalty against any person who violates any provision of ORS 446.003 to 446.200, 446.225 to 446.285, 446.395 to 446.420, 446.566 to 446.646, 446.666 to 446.746, 479.510 to 479.945, 479.950 and 480.510 to 480.670 and this chapter and ORS chapters 447, 460 and 693, or any rule adopted or order issued for the administration and enforcement of those provisions. Except as provided in subsections (3), (4) and (9) of this section or ORS 446.995, a civil penalty imposed under this section must be in an amount determined by the appropriate board or the director of not more than \$5,000 for each offense or, in the case of a continuing offense, not more than \$1,000 for each day of the offense.

(3) Each violation of ORS 446.003 to 446.200 or 446.225 to 446.285, or any rule or order issued thereunder, constitutes a separate violation with respect to each manufactured structure or with respect to each failure or refusal to allow or perform an act required thereby, except that the maximum civil penalty may not exceed \$1 million for any related series of violations occurring within one year from the date of the first violation.

(4) The director may impose a civil penalty of not more than \$25,000 against a public body responsible for administering and enforcing a building inspection program. As used in this subsection, "public body" has the meaning given that term in ORS 174.109.

(5) The maximum penalty established by this section for a violation may be imposed only upon a finding that the person has engaged in a pattern of violations. The Department of Consumer and Business Services, by rule, shall define what constitutes a pattern of violations. Except as provided in subsections (1) and (10) of this section, moneys received from any civil penalty under this section are appropriated continuously for and shall be used by the director for enforcement and administration of provisions and rules described in subsection (2) of this section.

(6) Civil penalties under this section shall be imposed as provided in ORS 183.745.

(7) A civil penalty imposed under this section may be remitted or reduced upon such terms and conditions as the director or the appropriate board considers proper and consistent with the public health and safety. In any judicial review of a civil penalty imposed under this section, the court may, in its discretion, reduce the penalty. (8) Any officer, director, shareholder or agent of a corporation, or member or agent of a partnership or association, who personally participates in or is an accessory to any violation by the partnership, association or corporation of a provision or rule described in subsection (2) of this section is subject to the penalties prescribed in this section.

(9) In addition to the civil penalty set forth in subsection (1) or (2) of this section, any person who violates a provision or rule described in subsection (2) of this section may be required by the director or the appropriate board to forfeit and pay to the General Fund of the State Treasury a civil penalty in an amount determined by the director or board that shall not exceed five times the amount by which such person profited in any transaction that violates a provision or rule described in subsection (2) of this section.

(10) If a civil penalty is imposed for a violation of a provision of ORS 446.566 to 446.646 and the violation relates to a filing or failure to file with a county assessor functioning as agent of the department, the department, after deducting an amount equal to the department's procedural, collection and other related costs and expenses, shall forward one-half of the remaining civil penalty amount to the county in which the manufactured structure is located at the time of the violation.

### SECTION 115 STOP WORK ORDER

**115.1** Authority. Whenever the *building official* finds any work regulated by this code being performed in a manner either contrary to the provisions of this code or dangerous or unsafe, the *building official* is authorized to issue a stop work order.

**115.2 Issuance.** The stop work order shall be in writing and shall be given to the owner of the property involved, or to the owner's agent, or to the person doing the work. Upon issuance of a stop work order, the cited work shall immediately cease. The stop work order shall state the reason for the order, and the conditions under which the cited work will be permitted to resume.

**115.3 Unlawful continuance.** 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 a violation or unsafe condition, shall be subject to penalties as prescribed by law.

### SECTION 116 UNSAFE STRUCTURES AND EQUIPMENT

Section 116 Unsafe Structures and Equipment is not adopted by the State of Oregon but may be adopted by local jurisdictions.

OAR 918.460 is not a part of this code but is reproduced here for the reader's convenience:

#### TABLE 1-A -BUILDING PERMIT FEES

**Note:** This fee table only applies to state administered jurisdictions. Table 1-A is based on the 1979 edition of the UBC fee schedule as required by ORS 455.210. Oregon municipalities may adopt and amend this table by ordinance according to ORS 455.150 and ORS 455.210(3) and any rules adopted by the department. The below Table shows a 30 percent increase, as authorized by ORS 455.210.

TOTAL VALUATION	FEE
\$1 to \$500	\$13
\$501 to \$2,000	\$13 for the first \$500, plus \$1.95 for each additional \$100 or fraction thereof, to and including \$2,000
\$2,001 to \$25,000	\$42.25 for the first \$2,000, plus \$7.80 for each additional \$1,000 or fraction thereof, to and including \$25,000
\$25,001 to \$50,000	\$221.65 for the first \$25,000, plus \$5.85 for each additional \$1,000 or fraction thereof, to and including \$50,000
\$50,001 to \$100,000	\$367.90 for the first \$50,000, plus \$3.90 for each additional \$1,000 or fraction thereof, to and including \$100,000
\$100,001 and up	\$562.90 for the first \$100,000, plus \$3.25 for each additional \$1,000 or fraction thereof
Other inspections and fees:	
1. Inspections outside of normal	business hours
2. Reinspection fees assessed un	der provisions of Section 109
3. Inspections for which no fee is $(\text{minimum charge} - 1/2 \text{ hour})$	specifically indicated
4. Plan review fee	
	ed by changes, additions or revisions to approved plans \$19.50 per hour