

## CHAPTER 2

# DEFINITIONS

### SECTION BC 201 GENERAL

**201.1 Scope.** Unless otherwise expressly stated, the following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this code, have the meanings shown in this chapter.

**201.2 Interchangeability.** Words used in the present tense include the future; words stated in the masculine gender include the feminine and neuter; the singular number includes the plural and the plural, the singular.

**201.3 Terms defined in other codes.** Where terms are not defined in this code and are defined in the *New York City Fuel Gas Code*, *New York City Fire Code*, *New York City Mechanical Code*, *New York City Electrical Code* or *New York City Plumbing Code*, such terms shall have the meanings ascribed to them as in those codes.

**201.4 Terms not defined.** Where terms are not defined through the methods authorized by this section, such terms shall have ordinarily accepted meanings such as the context implies.

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**ACCESSIBLE.** See Section 1102.1.

**ACCESSIBLE MEANS OF EGRESS.** See Section 1002.1.

**ACCESSIBLE ROUTE.** See Section 1102.1.

**ACCESSIBLE UNIT.** See Section 1102.

**ACTIVE FAULT/ACTIVE FAULT TRACE.** See Section 1613.1.

**ADDITION.** An alteration of a building in existence that increases its exterior dimensions including but not limited to an extension or increase in floor area or height (including an increase in height or area resulting from the construction of a rooftop structure for mechanical equipment) of the building. See Section 28-101.5 of the *Administrative Code*.

**ADHERED MASONRY VENEER.** See Section 1402.1.

**ADJUSTED SHEAR RESISTANCE.** See Sections 2202.1 and 2302.1.

**ADMINISTRATIVE CODE.** *The Administrative Code of the City of New York.*

**ADMIXTURE.** See Section 1902.1.

**AEROSOL.** See Section 307.2.

**Level 1 aerosol products.** See Section 307.2.

**Level 2 aerosol products.** See Section 307.2.

**Level 3 aerosol products.** See Section 307.2.

**AGGREGATE.** See Section 1902.1.

**AGGREGATE, LIGHTWEIGHT.** See Section 1902.1.

**AGRICULTURAL, BUILDING.** A structure designed and constructed to house farm implements, hay, grain, poultry, livestock or other horticultural products. This structure shall not be a place of human habitation or a place of employment where agricultural products are processed, treated or packaged, nor shall it be a place used by the public.

**AIR-INFLATED STRUCTURE.** See Section 3102.2.

**AIR-SUPPORTED STRUCTURE.** See Section 3102.2.

**Double skin.** See Section 3102.2.

**Single skin.** See Section 3102.2.

**AISLE ACCESSWAY.** See Section 1002.1.

**ALARM NOTIFICATION APPLIANCE.** See Section 902.1.

**ALARM SIGNAL.** See Section 902.1.

**ALLEY.** See “Public way.”

**ALLOWABLE STRESS DESIGN.** See Section 1602.1.

**ALTERATION.** Any construction, addition, change of use or occupancy, or renovation to a building or structure in existence. See Section 28-101.5 of the *Administrative Code*.

**ALTERNATE LOAD PATH.** See Section 1624.1.

**ALTERNATE LOAD PATH METHOD.** See Section 1624.1.

**ALTERNATING TREAD DEVICE.** See Section 1002.1.

**ANCHOR.** See Section 2102.1.

**ANCHOR BUILDING.** See Section 402.2.

**ANCHORED MASONRY VENEER.** See Section 1402.1.

**ANNULAR SPACE.** See Section 702.1.

**ANNUNCIATOR.** See Section 902.1.

**APARTMENT.** See Section 310.2.

**APARTMENT, STUDENT.** See Section 310.2.

**APPROVED.** Acceptable to the commissioner. In reference to construction documents, the determination by the department after full examination that submitted construction documents comply with this code and other applicable laws and rules. In reference to materials, the determination by the commissioner that material is acceptable for its intended use. See Section 28-101.5 of the *Administrative Code*.

**APPROVED AGENCY.** An established and recognized agency, or other qualified person, regularly engaged in conducting tests or furnishing inspection services, when approved pursuant to department rules as qualified to perform or witness identified testing or inspection services. See Chapter 1 of Title 28 of the *Administrative Code*.

**APPROVED FABRICATOR.** See Section 1702.1.

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**APPROVED INSPECTION AGENCY.** An approved agency that is approved by the department as qualified to perform one or more of the inspections required by this code. See Chapter 1 of Title 28 of the *Administrative Code*.

**APPROVED TESTING AGENCY.** An approved agency that is approved by the department as qualified to test and evaluate the performance of one or more of the materials regulated in their use by this code. Such term shall include, when approved pursuant to department rules, a third-party testing or certification agency, evaluation agency, testing laboratory, testing service or other entity concerned with product evaluation. See Chapter 1 of Title 28 of the *Administrative Code*.

**ARCHEOLOGICAL RESOURCE.** See Section 3302.1.

**ARCHITECT.** A person licensed and registered to practice the profession of architecture under the *Education Law of the State of New York*.

**ARCHITECTURAL TERRA COTTA.** See Section 2102.1.

**AREA.** See Section 2102.1.

**Bedded.** See Section 2102.1.

**Gross cross-sectional.** See Section 2102.1.

**Net cross-sectional.** See Section 2102.1.

**AREA, BUILDING.** See Section 502.1.

**AREA OF REFUGE.** See Section 1002.1.

**AREA OF RESCUE ASSISTANCE.** See Section 1002.1.

**AREA OF SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD.** See Section G201.2.

**ARTICULATING BOOM CRANE.** See Section 3302.1.

**ASPECT RATIO.** See Section 1624.1.

**ASSISTED RESCUE PATH.** See Section 1002.1.

**ATRIUM.** See Section 404.1.1.

**ATTACHMENTS, SEISMIC.** See Section 1613.1.

**ATTIC.** The space between the ceiling beams of the top story and the roof rafters.

**AUDIBLE ALARM NOTIFICATION APPLIANCE.** See Section 902.1.

**AUTOMATIC.** See Section 902.1.

**AUTOMATIC FIRE-EXTINGUISHING SYSTEM.** See Section 902.1.

**AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER SYSTEM.** See Section 902.1.

**AVERAGE AMBIENT SOUND LEVEL.** See Section 902.1.

**AWNING.** An architectural projection that provides weather protection, identity or decoration and is wholly supported by the building to which it is attached. An awning is comprised of a lightweight, rigid skeleton structure over which a covering is attached.

**AXIS OF ROTATION.** See Section 3302.1.

**AXLE.** See Section 3302.1.

**A-ZONE.** See Section G201.2.

**BACKING.** See Section 1402.1.

**BALCONY, EXTERIOR.** See Section 1602.1.

**BARRICADE.** See Section 307.2.

**Artificial barricade.** See Section 307.2.

**Natural barricade.** See Section 307.2.

**BASE.** See Section 1613.1.

**BASE (MOUNTING).** See Section 3302.1.

**BASE FLOOD.** See Section G201.2.

**BASE FLOOD ELEVATION.** See Section G201.2.

**BASE SHEAR.** See Section 1602.1.

**BASIC SEISMIC-FORCE-RESISTING SYSTEMS.** See Section 1602.1.

**Bearing wall system.** See Section 1602.1.

**Building frame system.** See Section 1602.1.

**Dual system.** See Section 1602.1.

**Inverted pendulum system.** See Section 1602.1.

**Moment-resisting frame system.** See Section 1602.1.

**Shear wall-frame interactive system.** See Section 1602.1.

**BASEMENT.** A story partly below the grade plane and having less than one-half its clear height (measured from finished floor to finished ceiling) below the grade plane (see “Story” and “Story above grade plane” in Section 502.1).

**BASEMENT (FOR FLOOD ZONE PURPOSES).** See Section G201.2.

**BEARER (PUTLOG).** See Section 3302.1.

**BED JOINT.** See Section 2102.1.

**BEDROCK.** See Section 1804.2.1.

**Hard sound rock (Class 1a).** See Section 1804.2.1.

**Medium hard rock (Class 1b).** See Section 1804.2.1.

**Intermediate rock (Class 1c).** See Section 1804.2.1.

**Soft rock (Class 1d).** See Section 1804.2.1.

**BLEACHERS.** See Section 1002.1.

**BOARDER (ROOMER, LODGER).** See Section 310.2.

**BOILING POINT.** See Section 307.2.

**BOND BEAM.** See Section 2102.1.

**BOND REINFORCING.** See Section 2102.1.

**BOOM.** See Section 3302.1.

**BOOM POINT.** See Section 3302.1.

**BOUNDARY ELEMENTS.** See Section 1613.1.

**BOUNDARY MEMBERS.** See Section 1602.1.

**BRACED WALL LINE.** See Section 2302.1.

**BRACED WALL PANEL.** See Section 2302.1.

**BRAKE.** See Section 3302.1.

**BREAKAWAY WALL.** See Section G201.2.

**BRICK.** See Section 2102.1.

**Calcium silicate (sand lime brick).** See Section 2102.1.

**Clay or shale.** See Section 2102.1.

**Concrete.** See Section 2102.1.

**BRITTLE.** See Section 1613.1.

**BUCKET HOIST.** See Section 3302.1.

**BUILDING.** Any structure used or intended for supporting or sheltering any use or occupancy. The term shall be construed as if followed by the phrase “structure, premises, lot or part thereof” unless otherwise indicated by the text. See Section 28-101.5 of the *Administrative Code*.

**BUILDINGS AND OTHER STRUCTURES, FLEXIBLE.** See Section 1609.2.

**BUILDING, ENCLOSED.** See Section 1609.2.

**BUILDING LINE.** The line established by law, beyond which a building shall not extend, except as specifically provided by law.

**BUILDING, LOW-RISE.** See Section 1609.2.

**BUILDING, OPEN.** See Section 1609.2.

**BUILDING, PARTIALLY ENCLOSED.** See Section 1609.2.

**BUILDING, SIMPLE DIAPHRAGM.** See Section 1609.2.

**BUILT-UP ROOF COVERING.** See Section 1502.1.

**BULKHEAD.** See Section 1502.1.

**BUTTRESS.** See Section 2102.1.

**CABARET.** Any room, place or space in which any musical entertainment, singing, dancing or other similar amusement is permitted in connection with an eating and drinking establishment.

**CABLE-RESTRAINED, AIR-SUPPORTED STRUCTURE.** See Section 3102.2.

**CABLEWAY.** See Section 3302.1.

**CANOPY.** An architectural projection that provides weather protection, identity or decoration and is supported by the building to which it is attached and at the outer end by not less than one stanchion. A canopy is comprised of a rigid structure over which a covering is attached.

**CANTILEVERED COLUMN SYSTEM.** See Section 1602.1.

**CARBON DIOXIDE EXTINGUISHING SYSTEMS.** See Section 902.1.

**CARBON MONOXIDE ALARM.** See Section 902.1.

**CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTOR.** See Section 902.1.

**CARBON MONOXIDE PRODUCING EQUIPMENT.** See Section 902.1.

**CARPORT.** See Section 406.1.2.

**CAST STONE.** See Section 2102.1.

**CEILING LIMIT.** See Section 902.1.

**CEILING RADIATION DAMPER.** See Section 702.1.

**CELL.** See Section 2102.1.

**CELLAR.** See Section 502.1.

**CEMENT PLASTER.** See Section 2502.1.

**CEMENTITIOUS MATERIALS.** See Section 1902.1.

**CENTRAL STATION.** See Section 902.1.

**CERAMIC FIBER BLANKET.** See Section 721.1.1.

**CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL.** See Section 3302.1.

**CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE.** See Section 1702.1 of this code and Section 28-101.5 of the *Administrative Code*.

**CERTIFICATE OF OPERATION.** See Section 3302.1.

**CERTIFICATE OF ON-SITE INSPECTION.** See Section 3302.1.

**CHIMNEY.** See Section 2102.1.

**CHIMNEY TYPES.** See Section 2102.1.

**High-heat appliance type.** See Section 2102.1.

**Low-heat appliance type.** See Section 2102.1.

**Masonry type.** See Section 2102.1.

**Medium-heat appliance type.** See Section 2102.1.

**CIRCULATION PATH.** See Section 1102.1.

**CITY.** City of New York.

**CLADDING.** See “Components and cladding.”

**CLAMSHELL.** See Section 3302.1.

**CLAYS.** See Section 1804.2.1.

**Hard (Class 4a).** See Section 1804.2.1.

**Stiff (Class 4b).** See Section 1804.2.1.

**Medium (Class 4c).** See Section 1804.2.1.

**Soft (Class 4d).** See Section 1804.2.1.

**CLEAN AGENT.** See Section 902.1.

**CLEANOUT.** See Section 2102.1.

**CLOSED-CIRCUIT TELEPHONE.** See Section E102.1.

**CLOSED SYSTEM.** See Section 307.2.

**COLLAPSE.** See Section 1624.1.

**COLLAR JOINT.** See Section 2102.1.

**COLLECTING SAFE AREA.** See Section 1002.1.

**COLLECTOR.** See Sections 1613.1 and 2302.1.

**COLLECTOR ELEMENTS.** See Section 1602.1.

**COLUMN.** See Section 1902.1.

**COLUMN, MASONRY.** See Section 2102.1.

**COMBINATION FIRE/SMOKE DAMPER.** See Section 702.1.

**COMBINATION SIGN.** See Section H102.1.

**COMBUSTIBLE DUST.** See Section 307.2.

**COMBUSTIBLE FIBERS.** See Section 307.2.

**COMBUSTIBLE LIQUID.** See Section 307.2.

**Class II.** See Section 307.2.

**Class IIIA.** See Section 307.2.

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**Class IIIB.** See Section 307.2.

**COMMERCIAL COOKING SYSTEM.** See Section 902.1.

**COMMERCIAL TRUCK-MOUNTED CRANE (BOOM TRUCK).** See Section 3302.1.

**COMMISSIONER.** The Commissioner of Buildings of the City of New York or his or her duly authorized representative. See Section 28-101.5 of the *Administrative Code*.

**COMMON PATH OF EGRESS TRAVEL.** See Section 1002.1.

**COMMON USE.** See Section 1102.1.

**COMPETENT PERSON.** See Section 3302.1.

**COMPONENT.** See Section 1613.1.

**Component equipment.** See Section 1613.1.

**Component, flexible.** See Section 1613.1.

**Component, rigid.** See Section 1613.1.

**COMPONENTS AND CLADDING.** See Section 1609.2.

**COMPOSITE ACTION.** See Section 2102.1.

**COMPOSITE MASONRY.** See Section 2102.1.

**COMPRESSED GAS.** See Section 307.2.

**Nonliquefied compressed gases.** See Section 307.2.

**Liquefied compressed gases.** See Section 307.2.

**Compressed gases in solution.** See Section 307.2.

**Compressed gas mixtures.** See Section 307.2.

**COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH OF MASONRY.** See Section 2102.1.

**CONCEALED SPACES.** See Section 702.1.

**CONCRETE.** See Section 1902.1.

**CONCRETE CARBONATE AGGREGATE.** See Section 721.1.1.1.

**CONCRETE, CELLULAR.** See Section 721.1.1.1.

**CONCRETE, LIGHTWEIGHT AGGREGATE.** See Section 721.1.1.1.

**CONCRETE, PERLITE.** See Section 721.1.1.1.

**CONCRETE, SAND-LIGHTWEIGHT.** See Section 721.1.1.1.

**CONCRETE, SILICEOUS AGGREGATE.** See Section 721.1.1.1.

**CONCRETE, SPECIFIED COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH OF, ( $F'_c$ ).** See Section 1902.1.

**CONCRETE, VERMICULITE.** See Section 721.1.1.1.

**CONFINED REGION.** See Section 1602.1.

**CONGREGATE LIVING UNIT.** See Section 310.2.

**CONNECTOR.** See Section 2102.1.

**CONSTANTLY ATTENDED LOCATION.** See Section 902.1.

**CONSTRUCTION.** See Section 3302.1.

**CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS.** Plans and specifications and other written, graphic and pictorial documents, prepared or assembled for describing the design, location and physical characteristics of the elements of the project necessary for obtaining a building permit. See Section 28-101.5 of the *Administrative Code*.

**CONSTRUCTION TYPES.** See Section 602.

**Type I.** See Section 602.2.

**Type II.** See Section 602.2.

**Type III.** See Section 602.3.

**Type IV.** See Section 602.4.

**Type V.** See Section 602.5.

**CONTINUOUS GAS-DETECTION SYSTEM.** See Section 415.2.

**CONTRACTION JOINT.** See Section 1902.1.

**CONTROL AREA.** See Section 307.2.

**CONTROLLED LOW-STRENGTH MATERIAL.** A self-compacted, cementitious material used primarily as a backfill in place of compacted fill.

**CONVENTIONAL LIGHT-FRAME WOOD CONSTRUCTION.** See Section 2302.1.

**CORNER SCAFFOLD (ANGLE SCAFFOLD).** See Section 3302.1.

**CORRIDOR.** See Section 1002.1.

**CORRIDOR, INTERIOR.** See Section 1002.1.

**CORRIDOR, PUBLIC.** See Section 1002.1.

**CORROSION RESISTANCE.** The ability of a material to withstand deterioration of its surface or its properties when exposed to its environment.

**CORROSIVE MATERIAL.** See Section 307.2.

**COUNTERWEIGHT.** See Section 3302.1.

**COURT.** An open, uncovered space, unobstructed to the sky, bounded on three or more sides by exterior building walls or other enclosing devices.

**COVER.** See Section 2102.1.

**COVERED MALL BUILDING.** See Section 402.2.

**CRANE.** See Section 3302.1.

**CRAWLER CRANE.** See Section 3302.1.

**CRIPPLE WALL.** See Section 2302.1.

**CROSS AISLE.** See Section 1002.1.

**CRYOGENIC FLUID.** See Section 307.2.

**CURB LINE.** See Section 3201.8.

**CURTAIN WALL.** See Section 1402.1.

**CUSTODIAL CARE FACILITY.** See Section 310.2.

**DALLE GLASS.** See Section 2402.1.

**DAMPER.** See Section 702.1.

**DEAD END.** See Section 1002.1.

**DEAD LOADS.** See Section 1602.1.

■ **DEBRIS NET OR NETTING.** See Section 3302.1.

**DECK.** See Section 1602.1.

**DECORATIVE GLASS.** See Section 2402.1.

**DEFLAGRATION.** See Section 307.2.

**DEFORMABILITY.** See Section 1602.1.

**High deformability element.** See Section 1602.1.

**Limited deformability element.** See Section 1602.1.

**Low deformability element.** See Section 1602.1.

**DEFORMATION.** See Section 1602.1.

**Limited deformation.** See Section 1602.1.

**Ultimate deformation.** See Section 1602.1.

**DEFORMED REINFORCEMENT.** See Section 1902.1.

**DELUGE SPRINKLER SYSTEM.** See Section 902.1.

**DEMOLITION.** See Section 3302.1.

**DEMOLITION, FULL.** See Section 3302.1.

**DEMOLITION, PARTIAL.** See Section 3302.1.

**DEPARTMENT.** Department of Buildings of the City of New York.

■ **DERRICK.** See Section 3302.1.

➔ **DESIGN EARTHQUAKE.** See Section 1613.1.

➔ **DESIGN FLOOD ELEVATION.** See Section G201.2.

■ **DESIGN STRENGTH.** See Sections 1602.1 and 2102.1.

➔ **DETACHED BUILDING.** See Section 307.2.

➔ **DETECTABLE WARNING.** See Section 1102.1.

**DETECTOR, HEAT.** See Section 902.1.

**DETONATION.** See Section 307.2.

■ **DEVELOPMENT.** See Section G201.2.

**DIAPHRAGM.** See Sections 1602.1 and 2102.1.

➔ **Diaphragm, blocked.** See Section 1602.1.

**Diaphragm, boundary.** See Section 1602.1.

**Diaphragm, chord.** See Section 1602.1.

**Diaphragm, flexible.** See Section 1602.1.

**Diaphragm, rigid.** See Section 1602.1.

**DIAPHRAGM, UNBLOCKED.** See Section 2302.1.

**DIMENSIONS.** See Section 2102.1.

**Actual.** See Section 2102.1.

**Nominal.** See Section 2102.1.

**Specified.** See Section 2102.1.

**DISPENSING.** See Section 307.2.

**DISPLACEMENT.** See Section 1613.1.

**Design displacement.** See Section 1613.1.

**Total design displacement.** See Section 1613.1.

**Total maximum displacement.** See Section 1613.1.

**DISPLACEMENT RESTRAINT SYSTEM.** See Section 1613.1

**DISPLAY SIGN.** See Section H102.1.

**DOOR, BALANCED.** See Section 1002.1.

**DRAFTSTOP.** See Section 702.1.

**DRAG STRUT.** See “Collector” at Section 2302.1.

**DRUM.** See Section 3302.1.

**DRY-CHEMICAL EXTINGUISHING SYSTEM.** See Section 902.1.

**DUCT.** See Section 1902.1.

**DURATION OF LOAD.** See Section 1602.1.

**DWELLING.** A building or structure which is occupied in whole or in part as the home, residence or sleeping place of one or more families. See Section 310.2.

**DWELLING, MULTIPLE.** A dwelling which is either rented, leased, let or hired out, to be occupied, or is occupied, as the residence or home of three or more families living independently of each other. A multiple dwelling does not include a building used for occupancies in Group I-2, I-3 or I-4. See Section 310.2.

**DWELLING, ONE-FAMILY.** Any building or structure designed and occupied exclusively for residence purposes on a long-term basis for more than a month at a time by not more than one family. One-family dwellings shall also be deemed to include a dwelling located in a series of one-family dwellings each of which faces or is accessible to a legal street or public thoroughfare, provided that each such dwelling unit is equipped as a separate dwelling unit with all essential services, and also provided that each such unit is arranged so that it may be approved as a legal one-family dwelling. See Sections 310.2 and M102.1.

**DWELLING, TWO-FAMILY.** Any building or structure designed and occupied exclusively for residence purposes on a long-term basis for more than a month at a time by not more than two families. Two-family dwellings shall also be deemed to include a dwelling located in a series of two-family dwellings each of which faces or is accessible to a legal street or public thoroughfare, provided that each such dwelling is equipped as a separate dwelling with all essential services, and also provided that each such dwelling is arranged so that it may be approved as a legal two-family dwelling. See Sections 310.2 and M102.1.

**DWELLING UNIT.** A single unit consisting of one or more habitable rooms and occupied or arranged to be occupied as a unit separate from all other units within a dwelling. See Section 310.2.

**DWELLING UNIT (ACCESSIBILITY).** See Section 1102.1.

**DWELLING UNIT OR SLEEPING UNIT, MULTI-STORY.** See Section 1102.1.

**DWELLING UNIT OR SLEEPING UNIT, TYPE B.** See Section 1102.1.

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**EFFECTIVE DAMPING.** See Section 1613.1.

**EFFECTIVE DEPTH OF SECTION (*d*).** See Section 1902.1.

**EFFECTIVE HEIGHT.** See Section 2102.1.

**EFFECTIVE STIFFNESS.** See Section 1613.1.

**EFFECTIVE WIND AREA.** See Section 1609.2.

**EGRESS COURT.** See Section 1002.1.

**ELEMENT.** See Sections 1602.1 and 1624.1.

**Ductile element.** See Section 1602.1.

**Limited ductile element.** See Section 1602.1.

**Nonductile element.** See Section 1602.1.

**EMERGENCY ALARM SYSTEM.** See Section 902.1.

**EMERGENCY CONTROL STATION.** See Section 415.2.

**EMERGENCY ESCAPE AND RESCUE OPENING.** See Section 1002.1.

**EMERGENCY VOICE/ALARM COMMUNICATIONS.** See Section 902.1.

**EMPLOYEE WORK AREA.** See Section 1102.1.

**ENGINEER.** A person licensed and registered to practice the profession of engineering under the *Education Law of the State of New York*.

**ENLARGEMENT.** An addition.

**EQUIPMENT SUPPORT.** See Section 1602.1.

**ESSENTIAL FACILITIES.** See Section 1602.1.

**EXHAUSTED ENCLOSURE.** See Section 415.2.

**EXISTING CONSTRUCTION.** See Section G201.2.

**EXISTING STRUCTURE.** (i) A building or structure in existence prior to the effective date of this code or one for which a lawful building permit was issued for the erection of such building or structure prior to the effective date of this code. (ii) A building or structure erected in accordance with the 1968 building code under a lawful building permit issued for the erection of such building or structure after the effective date of this code in accordance with Section 28-101.4.2 of the *Administrative Code*. See Section 28-101.5 of the *Administrative Code*.

**EXISTING STRUCTURE (FOR FLOOD ZONE PURPOSES).** See Section G201.2.

**EXIT.** See Section 1002.1.

**EXIT ACCESS.** See Section 1002.1.

**EXIT DISCHARGE.** See Section 1002.1.

**EXIT DISCHARGE, LEVEL OF.** See Section 1002.1.

**EXIT ENCLOSURE.** See Section 1002.1.

**EXIT, HORIZONTAL.** See Section 1002.1.

**EXIT PASSAGEWAY.** See Section 1002.1.

**EXPANDED VINYL WALL COVERING.** See Section 802.1.

**EXPLOSION.** An effect produced by the sudden violent expansion of gases, that is accompanied by a shockwave or disruption of enclosing materials or structures, or both.

**EXPLOSIVE.** See Section 307.2.

**High explosive.** See Section 307.2.

**Low explosive.** See Section 307.2.

**UN/DOTn Class 1 Explosives.** See Section 307.2.

**Division 1.1.** See Section 307.2.

**Division 1.2.** See Section 307.2.

**Division 1.3.** See Section 307.2.

**Division 1.4.** See Section 307.2.

**Division 1.5.** See Section 307.2.

**Division 1.6.** See Section 307.2.

**EXTERIOR INSULATION FINISH SYSTEM (EIFS).** See Section 1402.1.

**EXTERIOR SURFACES.** See Section 2502.1.

**EXTERIOR WALL.** See Section 1402.1.

**EXTERIOR WALL COVERING.** See Section 1402.1.

**EXTERIOR WALL ENVELOPE.** See Section 1402.1.

**F RATING.** See Section 702.1.

**FABRICATED ITEM.** Products and assemblies regulated by this code, that are custom manufactured, or built prior to their incorporation into the work at the job site. Fabricated items shall not include listed, labeled or approved products or assemblies. See Section 1702.1.

**FABRICATION AREA.** See Section 415.2.

**FACILITY.** See Section 1102.1.

**FACTORED LOAD.** See Section 1602.1.

**FAMILY.** See Section 310.2.

**FIBERBOARD.** See Section 2302.1.

**FIBER CEMENT SIDING.** See Section 1402.1.

**FIRE ALARM BOX, MANUAL.** See Section 902.1.

**FIRE ALARM CONTROL PANEL.** See Section 902.1.

**FIRE ALARM SIGNAL.** See Section 902.1.

**FIRE ALARM SYSTEM.** See Section 902.1.

**FIRE AREA.** See Section 702.1.

**FIRE BARRIER.** See Section 702.1.

**FIRE COMMAND CENTER.** See Section 902.1.

**FIRE DAMPER.** See Section 702.1.

**FIRE DETECTOR, AUTOMATIC.** See Section 902.1.

**FIRE DOOR.** See Section 702.1.

**FIRE DOOR ASSEMBLY.** See Section 702.1.

**FIRE EXIT HARDWARE.** See Section 1002.1.

**FIRE PARTITION.** See Section 702.1.

- **FIRE PROTECTION PLAN.** See Section 28-101.5 of the *Administrative Code*.
- FIRE PROTECTION RATING.** See Section 702.1.
- FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEM.** See Section 902.1.
- FIRE RESISTANCE.** See Section 702.1.
- FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING.** See Section 702.1.
- FIRE-RESISTANT JOINT SYSTEM.** See Section 702.1.
- FIRE SAFETY FUNCTIONS.** See Section 902.1.
- FIRE SEPARATION DISTANCE.** See Section 702.1.
- FIRE WALL.** See Section 702.1.
- FIRE WINDOW ASSEMBLY.** See Section 702.1.
- FIREBLOCKING.** See Section 702.1.
- **FIRECUTTING.** See Section 2302.1.
- FIREPLACE.** See Section 2102.1.
- FIREPLACE THROAT.** See Section 2102.1.
- **FIRESTOPPING.** See Section 702.1.
- FIREWORKS.** See Section 307.2.
- FIREWORKS, 1.3G.** See Section 307.2.
- ➔ **FIREWORKS, 1.4G.** See Section 307.2.
- ➔ **FLAME RESISTANCE.** See Section 802.1.
- FLAME SPREAD.** See Section 802.1.
- FLAME SPREAD INDEX.** See Section 802.1.
- FLAMMABLE GAS.** See Section 307.2.
- FLAMMABLE LIQUEFIED GAS.** See Section 307.2.
- FLAMMABLE LIQUID.** See Section 307.2.
  - Class IA. See Section 307.2.
  - Class IB. See Section 307.2.
  - Class IC. See Section 307.2.
- FLAMMABLE MATERIAL.** See Section 307.2.
- FLAMMABLE SOLID.** See Section 307.2.
- FLAMMABLE VAPORS OR FUMES.** See Section 415.2.
- ➔ **FLASH POINT.** See Section 307.2.
- ➔ **FLEXIBLE EQUIPMENT CONNECTIONS.** See Section 1602.1.
- FLEXURAL LENGTH.** See Section 1808.1.
- **FLOOD OR FLOODING.** See Section G201.2.
- FLOOD DAMAGE-RESISTANT MATERIALS.** See Section G201.2.
- ➔ **FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP (FIRM).** See Section G201.2.
- **FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY.** See Section G201.2.
- **FLOODPROOFING, DRY.** See Section G201.2.
- **FLOODPROOFING, WET.** See Section G201.2.
- **FLOODWAY.** See Section G201.2.
- FLOOR AREA, GROSS.** See Section 1002.1.
- FLOOR AREA, NET.** See Section 1002.1.
- FLOOR FIRE DOOR ASSEMBLY.** See Section 702.1.
- FLUE.** See Section 2102.1.
- FLUE, APPLIANCE.** See Section 2102.1.
- FLUE GASES.** See Section 2102.1.
- FLUE LINER (LINING).** See Section 2102.1.
- FLY GALLERY.** See Section 410.2.
- FOAM-EXTINGUISHING SYSTEM.** See Section 902.1. ←
- FOAM PLASTIC INSULATION.** See Section 2602.1.
- FOLDING AND TELESCOPIC SEATING.** See Section 1002.1.
- FOOD COURT.** See Section 402.2.
- FOOTING.** See Section 3201.8. ■
- FRAME.** See Section 1602.1.
  - Braced frame. See Section 1602.1.
  - Concentrically braced frame (CBF). See Section 1602.1.
  - Eccentrically braced frame (EBF). See Section 1602.1.
  - Ordinary concentrically braced frame (OCBF). See Section 1602.1.
  - Special concentrically braced frame (SCBF). See Section 1602.1.
  - Moment frame. See Section 1602.1.
- FRONTAGE SPACE.** See Section 502.1.
- FUNCTIONALLY DEPENDENT FACILITY.** See Section G201.2. ■
- GAS CABINET.** See Section 415.2.
- GAS ROOM.** See Section 415.2.
- GLASS FIBERBOARD.** See Section 721.1.1.
- GLUED BUILT-UP MEMBER.** See Section 2302.1. ←
- GRADE (LUMBER).** See Section 2302.1.
- GRADE PLANE.** See Section 502.1.
- GRANDSTAND.** See Section 1002.1.
- GRANULAR SOILS.** See Section 1804.2.1.
  - Dense (Class 3a). See Section 1804.2.1.
  - Medium (Class 3b). See Section 1804.2.1.
  - Loose (Class 6). See Section 1804.2.1.
- GREENROOF.** See Section 1502.1. ←
- GRIDIRON.** See Section 410.2.
- GROSS LEASABLE AREA.** See Section 402.2.
- GROUND SIGN.** See Section H102.1.
- GROUP HOME.** See Section 310.2.
- GROUT.** See Section 2102.1.
- GROUTED MASONRY.** See Section 2102.1. ■

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**Grouted hollow-unit masonry.** See Section 2102.1.

**Grouted multiwythe masonry.** See Section 2102.1.

**GUARD.** See Sections 1002.1 and 1602.1.

**GUARDRAIL SYSTEM (SCAFFOLD).** See Section 3302.1.

**GUY.** See Section 3302.1.

**GYPSUM BOARD.** See Section 2502.1.

**GYPSUM PLASTER.** See Section 2502.1.

**GYPSUM VENEER PLASTER.** See Section 2502.1.

**HABITABLE SPACE.** See Section 1202.1.

**HALOGENATED EXTINGUISHING SYSTEM.** See Section 902.1.

**HANDLING.** See Section 307.2.

**HANDRAIL.** See Section 1002.1.

**HARDBOARD.** See Section 2302.1.

**HAZARDOUS CONTENTS.** See Section 1613.1.

**HAZARDOUS MATERIALS.** See Section 307.2.

**HAZARDOUS PRODUCTION MATERIAL (HPM).** See Section 415.2.

**HEAD JOINT.** See Section 2102.1.

**HEADER (Bonder).** See Section 2102.1.

**HEALTH HAZARD.** See Section 307.2.

**HEAVY DUTY SIDEWALK SHED.** See Section 3302.1.

**HEIGHT, BUILDING.** See Section 502.1.

**HEIGHT, STORY.** See Section 502.1.

**HEIGHT, WALLS.** See Section 2102.1.

**HELIPORT.** See Section 412.5.2.

**HELISTOP.** See Section 412.5.2.

**HEREAFTER.** On or after the effective date of this code.

**HERETOFORE.** Before the effective date of this code.

**HIGH-PRESSURE BOILER.** See Section 28-401.3.

**HIGHLY TOXIC MATERIAL.** See Section 307.2.

**HISTORIC STRUCTURE.** See Section G201.2.

**HOISTING EQUIPMENT.** See Section 3302.1.

**HOISTING MACHINE.** See Section 3302.1.

**HOISTING MECHANISM.** See Section 3302.1.

**HPM FLAMMABLE LIQUID.** See Section 415.2.

**HPM ROOM.** See Section 415.2.

**HURRICANE-PRONE REGIONS.** See Section 1609.2.

**IMMEDIATELY DANGEROUS TO LIFE AND HEALTH (IDLH).** See Section 415.2.

**IMPACT LOAD.** See Section 1602.1.

**IMPORTANCE FACTOR, *I*.** See Section 1609.2.

**INCOMPATIBLE MATERIALS.** See Section 307.2.

**INDUSTRIAL EQUIPMENT PLATFORM.** See Section 502.1.

**INITIATING DEVICE.** See Section 902.1.

**INSPECTION CERTIFICATE.** See Section 1702.1.

**INTENDED TO BE OCCUPIED AS A RESIDENCE.** See Section 1102.1.

**INTERIOR FINISH.** See Section 802.1.

**INTERIOR FLOOR FINISH.** See Section 802.1.

**INTERIOR SURFACES.** See Section 2502.1.

**INTERIOR WALL AND CEILING FINISH.** See Section 802.1.

**INTERLAYMENT.** See Section 1502.1.

**INVERTED PENDULUM-TYPE STRUCTURES.** See Section 1613.1.

**ISOLATION INTERFACE.** See Section 1613.1.

**ISOLATION JOINT.** See Section 1902.1.

**ISOLATION SYSTEM.** See Section 1613.1.

**ISOLATOR UNIT.** See Section 1613.1.

**JIB.** See Section 3302.1.

**JOINT.** See Section 1602.1.

**JUMP (JUMPING).** See Section 3302.1.

**KEY ELEMENT.** See Section 1624.1.

**KITCHEN.** See Section 1202.1.

**KITCHENETTE.** See Section 1202.1.

**LABEL.** See Section 1702.1.

**LABORATORY BUILDING.** See Section 419.4.

**LABORATORY CHEMICAL.** See Section 419.4.

**LABORATORY, NONPRODUCTION.** See Section 419.4.

**LABORATORY UNIT.** See Section 419.4.

**LAY.** See Section 3302.1.

**LETTER OF MAP AMENDMENT (LOMA).** See Section G201.2.

**LETTER OF MAP REVISION BASED ON FILL (LOMR-F).** See Section G201.2.

**LIGHT-DIFFUSING SYSTEM.** See Section 2602.1.

**LIGHT DUTY SIDEWALK SHED.** See Section 3302.1.

**LIGHT-FRAME CONSTRUCTION.** A type of construction whose vertical and horizontal structural elements are primarily formed by a system of repetitive wood or light gage steel framing members.

**LIGHT-TRANSMITTING PLASTIC ROOF PANELS.** See Section 2602.1.

**LIGHT-TRANSMITTING PLASTIC WALL PANELS.** See Section 2602.1.

**LIMIT STATE.** See Section 1602.1.

**LIMITED AREA SPRINKLER SYSTEM.** See Section 902.1.

**LIMITED PLUMBING ALTERATIONS.** See Section 28-101.5 of the *Administrative Code*.

**LIMITED SPRINKLER ALTERATIONS.** See Section 28-101.5 of the *Administrative Code*.

**LIMITED STANDPIPE ALTERATIONS.** See Section 28-101.5 of the *Administrative Code*.

**LIQUID.** See Section 415.2.

**LIQUID STORAGE ROOM.** See Section 415.2.

**LIQUID USE, DISPENSING AND MIXING ROOMS.** See Section 415.2.

**LISTED.** See Section 902.1 of this code<sup>‡</sup> and Section 28-101.5 of the *Administrative Code*.

**LIVE LOADS.** See Section 1602.1.

**LIVE LOADS (ROOF).** See Section 1602.1.

**LOAD.** See Section 1613.1.

**Gravity load (W).** See Section 1613.1.

**LOAD (WORKING).** See Section 3302.1.

**LOAD AND RESISTANCE FACTOR DESIGN (LRFD).** See Section 1602.1.

**LOAD FACTOR.** See Section 1602.1.

**LOAD RATINGS.** See Section 3302.1.

**LOAD RATING CHART.** See Section 3302.1.

**LOADS.** See Section 1602.1.

**LOADS EFFECTS.** See Section 1602.1.

**LOCAL COLLAPSE.** See Section 1624.1.

**LOT.** A portion or parcel of land considered as a unit.

**LOT LINE.** A line dividing one lot from another, or from a street or any public place.

**LOWER FLAMMABLE LIMIT (LFL).** See Section 415.2.

**LOWER LOAD BLOCK.** See Section 3302.1.

**LOWEST FLOOR.** See Section G201.2.

**MAILBOXES.** See Section E102.1.

**MAIN WINDFORCE-RESISTING SYSTEM.** See Section 1609.2.

**MALL.** See Section 402.2.

**MANUAL FIRE ALARM BOX.** See Section 902.1.

**MANUFACTURED HOME.** See Section G201.2.

**MANUFACTURED HOME PARK OR SUBDIVISION.** See Section G201.2.

**MANUFACTURER'S DESIGNATION.** See Section 1702.1.

**MARK.** See Section 1702.1.

**MANUFACTURED HOME PARK OR SUBDIVISION.** See Section G201.2.

**MARKET VALUE OF STRUCTURE.** See Section G201.2.

**MARQUEE.** A permanent roofed structure attached to and supported by the building and that projects into the public right-of-way.

**MASONRY.** See Section 2102.1.

**Ashlar masonry.** See Section 2102.1.

**Coursed ashlar.** See Section 2102.1.

**Glass unit masonry.** See Section 2102.1.

**Plain masonry.** See Section 2102.1.

**Random ashlar.** See Section 2102.1.

**Reinforced masonry.** See Section 2102.1.

**Solid masonry.** See Section 2102.1.

**MASONRY UNIT.** See Section 2102.1.

**Clay.** See Section 2102.1.

**Concrete.** See Section 2102.1.

**Hollow.** See Section 2102.1.

**Solid.** See Section 2102.1.

**MAST-CLIMBING WORK PLATFORMS.** See Section 3302.1.

**MATERIAL HANDLING EQUIPMENT.** See Section 3302.1.

**MATERIAL HOIST (MATERIAL HOISTING EQUIPMENT).** See Section 3302.1.

**MAXIMUM CONSIDERED EARTHQUAKE.** See Section 1613.1.

**MEAN DAILY TEMPERATURE.** See Section 2102.1.

**MEAN ROOF HEIGHT.** See Section 1609.2.

**MEANS OF EGRESS.** See Section 1002.1.

**MECHANICAL-ACCESS OPEN PARKING GARAGES.** See Section 406.3.2.

**MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT SCREEN.** See Section 1502.1.

**MEMBRANE-COVERED CABLE STRUCTURE.** See Section 3102.2.

**MEMBRANE-COVERED FRAME STRUCTURE.** See Section 3102.2.

**MEMBRANE PENETRATION.** See Section 702.1.

**MEMBRANE-PENETRATION FIRESTOP.** See Section 702.1.

**METAL COMPOSITE MATERIAL (MCM).** See Section 1402.1.

**METAL COMPOSITE MATERIAL (MCM) SYSTEM.** See Section 1402.1.

**METAL ROOF PANEL.** See Section 1502.1.

**METAL ROOF SHINGLE.** See Section 1502.1.

**MEZZANINE.** See Section 502.1.

**MINERAL BOARD.** See Section 721.1.1.

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**MOBILE CRANE.** See Section 3302.1.

**MOBILE SCAFFOLD.** See Section 3302.1.

**MODIFIED BITUMEN ROOF COVERING.** See Section 1502.1.

**MORTAR.** See Section 2102.1.

**MORTAR, SURFACE-BONDING.** See Section 2102.1.

**MULTILEVEL ASSEMBLY SEATING.** See Section 1102.1.

**MULTIPLE-STATION ALARM DEVICE.** See Section 902.1.

**MULTIPLE-STATION SMOKE ALARM.** See Section 902.1.

**MULTIPOINT ADJUSTABLE SUSPENSION SCAFFOLD.** See Section 3302.1.

**NAILING, BOUNDARY.** See Section 2302.1.

**NAILING, EDGE.** See Section 2302.1.

**NAILING, FIELD.** See Section 2302.1.

**NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM (NGVD).** See Section G201.2.

**NATURALLY DURABLE WOOD.** See Section 2302.1.

**Decay resistant.** See Section 2302.1.

**Termite resistant.** See Section 2302.1.

**NEW CONSTRUCTION.** See Section G201.2.

**NOMINAL LOADS.** See Section 1602.1.

**NOMINAL SIZE (LUMBER).** See Section 2302.1.

**NONBUILDING STRUCTURE.** See Section 1613.1.

**NONCOMBUSTIBLE MEMBRANE STRUCTURE.** See Section 3102.2.

**NONRESIDENTIAL (FOR FLOOD ZONE PURPOSES).** See Section G201.2.

**NORMAL TEMPERATURE AND PRESSURE (NTP).** See Section 415.2.

**NOSING.** See Section 1002.1.

**NOTATIONS.** See Sections 1602.1 and 2102.1.

**OCCUPANCY.** The purpose or activity for which a building or space is used or is designed, arranged or intended to be used.

**OCCUPANCY IMPORTANCE FACTOR.** See Section 1613.1.

**OCCUPANT LOAD.** See Section 1002.1.

**OCCUPIABLE SPACE.** See Section 1202.1.

**OPEN EXTERIOR SPACE.** See Section 1002.1.

**OPEN PARKING GARAGE.** See Section 406.3.2.

**OPEN PARKING LOT.** See Section 406.3.2.

**OPEN SYSTEM.** See Section 307.2.

**ORDINARY REPAIRS.** See Section 28-105.4.2.1.

**ORGANIC PEROXIDE.** See Section 307.2.

**Class I.** See Section 307.2.

**Class II.** See Section 307.2.

**Class III.** See Section 307.2.

**Class IV.** See Section 307.2.

**Class V.** See Section 307.2.

**Unclassified detonable.** See Section 307.2.

**OTHER STRUCTURES.** See Section 1602.1.

**OUTRIGGER (CRANE).** See Section 3302.1.

**OUTRIGGER (SCAFFOLD).** See Section 3302.1.

**OUTRIGGER BEAM (THRUSTOUT).** See Section 3302.1.

**OUTRIGGER SCAFFOLD.** See Section 3302.1.

**OWNER.** Any person, agent, firm, partnership, corporation or other legal entity having a legal or equitable interest in, or control of the premises.

**OXIDIZER.** See Section 307.2.

**Class 4.** See Section 307.2.

**Class 3.** See Section 307.2.

**Class 2.** See Section 307.2.

**Class 1.** See Section 307.2.

**OXIDIZING GAS.** See Section 307.2.

**P-DELTA EFFECT.** See Section 1602.1.

**PANEL (PART OF A STRUCTURE).** See Section 1602.1.

**PANIC HARDWARE.** See Section 1002.1.

**PARKING GARAGE.** See Section 406.2.2.

**PARTIAL DEMOLITION.** See Section 3302.1.

**PARTICLE BOARD.** See Section 2302.1.

**PEDESTAL.** See Section 1902.1.

**PENETRATION FIRESTOP.** See Section 702.1.

**PENTHOUSE.** See Section 1502.1.

**PERFORATED SHEAR WALL.** See Section 2302.1.

**PERFORATED SHEAR WALL SEGMENT.** See Section 2302.1.

**PERMIT.** An official document or certificate issued by the commissioner that authorizes performance of specified work or activity.

**PERSON.** An individual, partnership, corporation, or other legal entity.

**PERSONAL CARE SERVICE.** See Section 310.2.

**PERSONNEL HOIST.** See Section 3302.1.

**PHYSICAL HAZARD.** See Section 307.2.

**PIER FOUNDATIONS.** See Section 1808.1.

**Belled piers.** See Section 1808.1.

**PILE FOUNDATIONS.** See Section 1808.1.

**Augered-cast-in-place piles.** See Section 1808.1.

**Caisson piles.** See Section 1808.1.

**Compacted concrete piles.** See Section 1808.1.

**Concrete-filled steel pipe and tube piles.** See Section 1808.1.

**Driven uncased piles.** See Section 1808.1.

**Enlarged base piles.** See Section 1808.1.

**H-Piles.** See Section 1808.1.

**Steel-cased piles.** See Section 1808.1.

**Jacked piles.** See Section 1808.1.

**Micro-piles/mini-piles.** See Section 1808.1.

**Open end pipe pile.** See Section 1808.1.

**PINRAIL.** See Section 410.2.

**PLAIN CONCRETE.** See Section 1902.1.

**PLAIN REINFORCEMENT.** See Section 1902.1.

**PLASTIC, APPROVED.** See Section 2602.1.

**PLASTIC GLAZING.** See Section 2602.1.

**PLASTIC HINGE.** See Section 2102.1.

**PLATFORM.** See Sections 410.2 and 3302.1.

**POLE SIGN.** See Section H102.1.

**POSITIVE ROOF DRAINAGE.** See Section 1502.1.

**POSTFIRE SMOKE PURGE SYSTEM.** See Section 909.1.1.

**POSTFIRM DEVELOPMENT.** See Section G201.2.

**POSTFIRM STRUCTURE.** See Section G201.2.

**POSTTENSIONING.** See Section 1902.1.

**POWER BUGGIES.** See Section 3302.1.

**PRECAST CONCRETE.** See Section 1902.1.

**PREFIRM DEVELOPMENT.** See Section G201.2.

**PREFIRM STRUCTURE.** See Section G201.2.

**PREMISES.** Land, improvements thereon, or any part thereof.

**PRESERVATIVE-TREATED WOOD.** See Section 2302.1.

**PRESIGNAL SYSTEM.** See Section 902.1.

**PRESSURIZATION.** See Section 909.1.1.

**PRESTRESSED CONCRETE.** See Section 1902.1.

**PRESTRESSED MASONRY.** See Section 2102.1.

**PRE-STRESSING STEEL.** See Section 1902.1.

**PRETENSIONING.** See Section 1902.1.

**PRIMARY STRUCTURE.** See Sections 1627.5.

**PRISM.** See Section 2102.1.

**PRIVATE GARAGE.** See Section 406.1.2.

**PROJECTING SIGN.** See Sections 3201.8 and H102.1.

**PROSCENIUM WALL.** See Section 410.2.

**PUBLIC ENTRANCE.** See Section 1102.1.

**PUBLIC-USE AREAS.** See Section 1102.1.

**PUBLIC WAY.** See Section 1002.1.

**PYROPHORIC MATERIAL.** See Section 307.2.

**PYROTECHNIC COMPOSITION.** See Section 307.2.

**QUALIFIED PERSON.** See Section 3302.1.

**RAMP.** See Section 1002.1.

**RAMP-ACCESS OPEN PARKING GARAGES.** See Section 406.3.2.

**RECORD DRAWINGS.** See Section 902.1.

**RECREATIONAL VEHICLE.** See Section G201.2.

**REFERENCE RESISTANCE (*D*).** See Section 2302.1.

**REGISTERED DESIGN PROFESSIONAL.** An architect or engineer.

**REGISTERED DESIGN PROFESSIONAL OF RECORD.** The registered design professional who prepared or supervised the preparation of applicable construction documents filed with the department.

**REINFORCED CONCRETE.** See Section 1902.1.

**REINFORCED PLASTIC, GLASS FIBER.** See Section 2602.1.

**REINFORCEMENT.** See Section 1902.1.

**REPAIR.** The reconstruction or renewal of any part of an existing building for the purpose of its maintenance.

**REQUIRED.** Required by this code.

**REQUIRED STRENGTH.** See Sections 1602.1 and 2102.1.

**REROOFING.** See Section 1502.1.

**RESHORES.** See Section 1902.1.

**RESIDENTIAL CARE/ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES.** See Section 310.2.

**RESIDENTIAL (FOR FLOOD ZONE PURPOSES).** See Section G201.2.

**RESISTANCE FACTOR.** See Section 1602.1.

**RESPONSE RATIO.** See Section 1624.1.

**RESTRICTED ENTRANCE.** See Section 1102.1.

**RETRACTABLE AWNING.** See Section 3105.2.

**ROOF ASSEMBLY.** See Section 1502.1.

**ROOF COVERING.** See Section 1502.1.

**ROOF COVERING SYSTEM.** See Section 1502.1.

**ROOF DECK.** See Section 1502.1.

**ROOF RECOVER.** See Section 1502.1.

**ROOF REPLACEMENT.** See Section 1502.1.

**ROOF SIGN.** See Section H102.1.

**ROOF VENTILATION.** See Section 1502.1.

**ROOFTOP STRUCTURE.** See Section 1502.1.

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**ROOMING HOUSE.** See Section 310.2.

**ROPE.** See Section 3302.1.

**ROTATION.** See Section 1624.1.

**RUBBLE MASONRY.** See Section 2102.1.

**Coursed rubble.** See Section 2102.1.

**Random rubble.** See Section 2102.1.

**Rough or ordinary rubble.** See Section 2102.1.

**RUNBACK STRUCTURE.** See Section 3302.1.

**RUNNING BOND.** See Section 2102.1.

**SAFE AREA.** See Section 1002.1.

**SANDY GRAVEL AND GRAVELS.** See Section 1804.2.1.

**Dense (Class 2a).** See Section 1804.2.1.

**Medium (Class 2b).** See Section 1804.2.1.

**Loose (Class 6).** See Section 1804.2.1.

**SAND DUNES.** See Section G201.2.

**SCAFFOLD.** See Section 3302.1.

**SCISSOR STAIR.** See Section 1002.1.

**SEATING SECTION.** See Section 1002.1.

**SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY.** See Section 1613.1.

**SEISMIC-FORCE-RESISTING SYSTEM.** See Section 1613.1.

**SEISMIC FORCES.** See Section 1613.1.

**SEISMIC USE GROUP.** See Section 1613.1.

**SELF-CLOSING.** See Section 702.1.

**SELF-SERVICE STORAGE FACILITY.** See Section 1102.1.

**SERVICES.** See Section 1102.1.

**SERVICE CORRIDOR.** See Section 415.2.

**SERVICE ENTRANCE.** See Section 1102.1.

**SHAFT.** See Section 702.1.

**SHAFT ENCLOSURE.** See Section 702.1.

**SHEAR PANEL.** See Section 1602.1.

**SHEAR WALL.** See Sections 1602.1, 1613.1 and 2102.1 and 2302.1.

**Detailed plain masonry shear wall.** See Section 2102.1.

**Intermediate pre-stressed masonry shear wall.** See Section 2102.1.

**Intermediate reinforced masonry shear wall.** See Section 2102.1.

**Ordinary plain masonry shear wall.** See Section 2102.1.

**Ordinary plain pre-stressed masonry shear wall.** See Section 2102.1.

**Ordinary reinforced masonry shear wall.** See Section 2102.1.

**Perforated shear wall.** See Section 2302.1.

**Perforated shear wall segment.** See Section 2302.1.

**Special reinforced masonry shear wall.** See Section 2102.1.

**Type I shear wall.** See Section 2202.1.

**Type II shear wall.** See Section 2202.1.

**Type II shear wall segment.** See Section 2202.1.

**SHEAR WALL-FRAME INTERACTIVE SYSTEM.** See Section 1613.1.

**SHELL.** See Section 2102.1.

**SHORES.** See Section 1902.1.

**SHOTCRETE.** See Section 1914.1.

**SIGN.** See Sections 3201.8 and H102.1.

**SIGN STRUCTURE.** See Section H102.1.

**SILTS AND CLAY SLITS.** See Section 1804.2.1.

**Dense (Class 5a).** See Section 1804.2.1.

**Medium (Class 5b).** See Section 1804.2.1.

**Loose (Class 6).** See Section 1804.2.1.

**SINGLE-POINT ADJUSTABLE SUSPENSION SCAFFOLD.** See Section 3302.1.

**SINGLE-PLY MEMBRANE.** See Section 1502.1.

**SINGLE-STATION SMOKE ALARM.** See Section 902.1.

**SITE.** See Section 1102.1.

**SITE CLASS.** See Section 1613.1.

**SITE COEFFICIENTS.** See Section 1613.1.

**SKYLIGHT, UNIT.** A factory-assembled, glazed fenestration unit, containing one panel of glazing material that allows for natural lighting through an opening in the roof assembly while preserving the weather-resistant barrier of the roof.

**SKYLIGHTS AND SLOPED GLAZING.** Glass or other transparent or translucent glazing material installed at a slope of 15 degrees (0.26 rad) or more from vertical. Glazing material in skylights, including unit skylights, solariums, sunrooms, roofs and sloped walls, are included in this definition.

**SLEEPING UNIT.** See Section 310.2.

**SLEEPING UNIT (ACCESSIBILITY).** See Section 1102.1.

**SMOKE.** See Section 909.1.1.

**SMOKE ALARM.** See Section 902.1.

**SMOKE BARRIER.** See Section 702.1.

**SMOKE COMPARTMENT.** See Section 702.1.

**SMOKE CONTROL MODE.** See Section 909.1.1.

**SMOKE CONTROL SYSTEM, MECHANICAL.** See Section 909.1.1.

**SMOKE CONTROL SYSTEM, PASSIVE.** See Section 909.1.1.

**SMOKE CONTROL ZONE.** See Section 909.1.1.

**SMOKE DAMPER.** See Section 702.1.

**SMOKE DETECTOR.** See Section 902.1.

**SMOKE-DEVELOPED INDEX.** See Section 802.1.

**SMOKE PARTITION.** See Section 702.1.

**SMOKE-PROTECTED ASSEMBLY SEATING.** See Section 1002.1.

**SMOKEPROOF ENCLOSURE.** See Section 902.1.

**SOLID.** See Section 415.2.

**SPACE FRAME.** See Section 1602.1.

**SPECIAL AMUSEMENT BUILDING.** See Section 411.2.

**SPECIAL INSPECTION.** See Section 1702.1.

**SPECIAL INSPECTION, CONTINUOUS.** See Section 1702.1.

**SPECIAL INSPECTION, PERIODIC.** See Section 1702.1.

**SPECIAL INSPECTOR.** An individual having required qualifications and authorized by the department to perform or witness particular special inspections required by this code or by the rules of the department, including but not limited to a qualified registered design professional so authorized. See Section 1702.1 and Chapter 1 of Title 28 of the *Administrative Code*.

**SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREA.** See Section G201.2.

**SPECIAL TRANSVERSE REINFORCEMENT.** See Section 1602.1.

**SPECIFIC LOCAL LOAD.** See Section 1624.1.

**SPECIFIC LOCAL RESISTANCE METHOD.** See Section 1624.1.

**SPECIFIED.** See Section 2102.1.

**SPECIFIED COMPRESSIVE STRENGTH OF MASONRY ( $f'_m$ ).** See Section 2102.1.

**SPIRAL REINFORCEMENT.** See Section 1902.1.

**SPRAYED FIRE-RESISTANT MATERIALS.** See Section 1702.1.

**STACK BOND.** See Section 2102.1.

**STAGE.** See Section 410.2.

**STAIR.** See Section 1002.1.

**STAIRWAY.** See Section 1002.1.

**STAIRWAY, EXTERIOR.** See Section 1002.1.

**STAIRWAY, INTERIOR.** See Section 1002.1.

**STAIRWAY, SPIRAL.** See Section 1002.1.

**STACK EFFECT.** See Section 909.1.1.

**STANDARD CUBIC FEET (SCF).** See Section 307.2.

**STANDARD GUARDRAIL SYSTEM (SCAFFOLD).** See Section 3302.1.

**STANDPIPE SYSTEM.** See Section 902.1.

**Automatic dry.** See Section 902.1.

**Automatic wet.** See Section 902.1.

**Manual dry.** See Section 902.1.

**Manual wet.** See Section 902.1.

**Semiautomatic dry.** See Section 902.1.

**STANDPIPE SYSTEM, CLASSES OF.** See Section 902.1.

**Class I system.** See Section 902.1.

**Class II system.** See Section 902.1.

**Class III system.** See Section 902.1.

**START OF CONSTRUCTION.** See Section G201.2.

**STEEL CONSTRUCTION, COLD-FORMED.** See Section 2202.1.

**STEEL JOIST.** See Section 2202.1.

**STEEL MEMBER, STRUCTURAL.** See Section 2202.1.

**STEEP SLOPE.** A roof slope greater than two units vertical in 12 units horizontal (17-percent slope).

**STRIPPING OPERATIONS.** See Section 1902.1.

**STIRRUP.** See Section 1902.1.

**STONE MASONRY.** See Section 2102.1.

**Ashlar stone masonry.** See Section 2102.1.

**Rubble stone masonry.** See Section 2102.1.

**STORAGE CABINET.** See Section 419.4.

**STORAGE ROOM.** See Section 419.4.

**STORY.** That portion of a building included between the upper surface of a floor and the upper surface of the floor or roof next above (also see “Basement,” “Mezzanine” and Section 502.1). It is measured as the vertical distance from top to top of two successive tiers of beams or finished floor surfaces and, for the topmost story, from the top of the floor finish to the top of the ceiling joists or, where there is not a ceiling, to the top of the roof rafters.

**STORY ABOVE GRADE PLANE.** Any story having its finished floor surface entirely above grade plane, except that a basement shall also be considered a story above grade plane (also see “Basement” and “Story”). See Section 502.1.

**STORY DRIFT RATIO.** See Section 1613.1.

**STREET.** See Section 3201.8.

**STREET FLOOR.** A floor, usually the principal entrance floor, that is not more than one-half story above or below grade at the location from which egress is provided to the street.

**STREET LINE.** See Section 3201.8.

**STRENGTH, NOMINAL.** See Sections 1602.1 and 2102.1.

**STRENGTH, REQUIRED.** See Sections 1602.1 and 2102.1.

**STRENGTH, DESIGN.** See Section 1602.1.

**STRUCTURAL CONCRETE.** See Section 1902.1.

**STRUCTURAL GLUED-LAMINATED TIMBER.** See Section 2302.1.

**STRUCTURAL NET OR NETTING.** See Section 3302.1.

**STRUCTURE.** That which is built or constructed, including among others: buildings, stadia, tents, reviewing stands, platforms, stagings, observation towers, radio towers, tanks, trestles, open sheds, shelters, fences and display signs. See Section 28-101.5 of the *Administrative Code*.

## DEFINITIONS

**SUBDIAPHRAGM.** See Section 2302.1.

**SUBSTANTIAL DAMAGE.** See Section G201.2.

**SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENT.** See Section G201.2.

**SUPERINTENDENT OF CONSTRUCTION.** See Section 28-101.5 of the *Administrative Code*.

**SUPERSTRUCTURE.** See Section 3302.1.

**SUPERVISING STATION.** See Section 902.1.

**SUPERVISORY SERVICE.** See Section 902.1.

**SUPERVISORY SIGNAL.** See Section 902.1.

**SUPERVISORY SIGNAL-INITIATING DEVICE.** See Section 902.1.

**SUPPORTED SCAFFOLD.** See Section 3302.1.

**SUSTAINED WIND.** See Section 3302.1.

**SWIMMING POOL.** See Section 3109.2.

**SWIMMING POOL, PRIVATE.** See Section 3109.2.

**SWIMMING POOL, PUBLIC.** See Section 3109.2.

**SWING.** See Section 3302.1.

**T RATING.** See Section 702.1.

**TEMPORARY SIGN.** See Section H102.1.

**TENABLE ENVIRONMENT.** See Section 909.1.1.

**TENDON.** See Section 1902.1.

**TENT.** See Section 3102.2.

**THERMALLY ISOLATED SUNROOM ADDITION.** See Section 1202.1.

**THERMOPLASTIC MATERIAL.** See Section 2602.1.

**THERMOSETTING MATERIAL.** See Section 2602.1.

**THROUGH PENETRATION.** See Section 702.1.

**THROUGH-PENETRATION FIRESTOP SYSTEM.** See Section 702.1.

**TIE-DOWN (HOLD-DOWN).** See Section 2302.1.

**TIE, LATERAL.** See Section 2102.1.

**TIE, WALL.** See Section 2102.1.

**TILE.** See Section 2102.1.

**TILE, STRUCTURAL CLAY.** See Section 2102.1.

**TIRES, BULK STORAGE OF.** See Section 902.1.

**TORSIONAL FORCE DISTRIBUTION.** See Section 1613.1.

**TOUGHNESS.** See Section 1613.1.

**TOWER.** See Section 3302.1.

**TOWER CRANE.** See Section 3302.1.

**TOXIC MATERIAL.** See Section 307.2.

**TRANSIENT LODGING.** See Section E102.1.

**TRANSIT.** See Section 3302.1.

**TRAVEL.** See Section 3302.1.

**TREATED WOOD.** See Section 2302.1.

**TRIM.** See Section 802.1.

**TROUBLE SIGNAL.** See Section 902.1.

**TWO-POINT SUSPENSION SCAFFOLD (SWING STAGE).** See Section 3302.1.

**UNADJUSTED SHEAR RESISTANCE.** See Sections 2202.1 and 2302.1.

**UNDERLAYMENT.** See Section 1502.1.

**UNSTABLE (REACTIVE) MATERIAL.** See Section 307.2.

**Class 4.** See Section 307.2.

**Class 3.** See Section 307.2.

**Class 2.** See Section 307.2.

**Class 1.** See Section 307.2.

**USE (USED).** The purpose for which a building, structure, or space is occupied or utilized, unless otherwise indicated by the text. Use (used) shall be construed as if followed by the words “or is intended, arranged, or designed to be used.”

**UTILITY COMPANY OR PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANY.** See Section 28-101.5.

**UTILITY CORPORATION OR PUBLIC UTILITY CORPORATION.** See Section 28-101.5.

**VAPOR RETARDER.** A vapor-resistant material, membrane or covering such as foil, plastic sheeting or insulation facing having a permeance rating of 1 perm ( $5.7 \times 10^{-11}$  kg/Pa · s · m<sup>2</sup>) or less, when tested in accordance with the desiccant method using Procedure A of ASTM E 96. Vapor retarders limit the amount of moisture vapor that passes through a material or wall assembly.

**VAULT.** See Section 3201.8.

**VENEER.** See Section 1402.1.

**VENTILATION.** The natural or mechanical process of supplying conditioned or unconditioned air to, or removing such air from, any space.

**VISIBLE ALARM NOTIFICATION APPLIANCE.** See Section 902.1.

**V-ZONE.** See Section G201.2.

**WALKWAY, PEDESTRIAN.** A walkway used exclusively as a pedestrian trafficway.

**WALL.** See Section 2102.1.

**Cavity wall.** See Section 2102.1.

**Composite wall.** See Section 2102.1.

**Dry-stacked, surface-bonded wall.** See Section 2102.1.

**Masonry-bonded hollow wall.** See Section 2102.1.

**Parapet wall.** See Section 2102.1.

**WALL, LOAD-BEARING.** See Section 1602.1.

**WALL, NONLOAD-BEARING.** See Section 1602.1.

**WALL SIGN.** See Section H102.1.

**WATER-REACTIVE MATERIAL.** See Section 307.2.

**Class 3.** See Section 307.2.

**Class 2.** See Section 307.2.

**Class 1.** See Section 307.2.

**WEATHER-EXPOSED SURFACES.** See Section 2502.1.

**WEB.** See Section 2102.1.

**WET-CHEMICAL EXTINGUISHING SYSTEM.** See Section 902.1.

**WHEELCHAIR SPACE.** See Section 1102.1.

**WHEEL MOUNTED CRANE (MULTIPLE CONTROL STATIONS).** See Section 3302.1.

**WHEEL MOUNTED CRANE (SINGLE CONTROL STATION).** See Section 3302.1.

**WIND-BORNE DEBRIS REGION.** See Section 1609.2.

**WINDER.** See Section 1002.1.

**WIND-RESTRAINT SEISMIC SYSTEM.** See Section 1613.1.

**WIRE BACKING.** See Section 2502.1.

**WIRELESS PROTECTION SYSTEM.** See Section 902.1.

**WOOD SHEAR PANEL.** See Section 2302.1.

**WOOD STRUCTURAL PANEL.** See Section 2302.1.

**Composite panels.** See Section 2302.1.

**Oriented strand board (OSB).** See Section 2302.1.

**Plywood.** See Section 2302.1.

**WORK NOT CONSTITUTING MINOR ALTERATIONS OR ORDINARY REPAIRS.** See Section 28-105.4.2.1.

**WORKSTATION.** See Section 415.2.

**WRITING (WRITTEN).** See Section 28-101.5 of the *Administrative Code*.

**WRITTEN NOTICE.** See Section 28-101.5 of the *Administrative Code*.

**WYTHER.** See Section 2102.1.

**YARD.** An open space, other than a court, unobstructed from the ground to the sky, except where specifically provided by this code, on the lot on which a building is situated.

**ZONE.** See Section 902.1.

**ZONING RESOLUTION.** See Section 28-101.5.

