

WABO TCD VOTING RECOMMENDATIONS

Group B Cycle for the 2024 I-Codes

For those who want to begin review of the code changes for the upcoming Online Governmental Consensus Vote (OGCV) for the Group B cycle, here are the WABO Technical Code Development Committee recommendations. The suggestions contained in this voting guide are the opinions of the WABO Technical Code Development Committee members who attended the TCD meetings and ICC hearings, and are being provided to you as recommendations only—“vote your conscience.” These are items TCD identified as being significant, but there are many other items that will be on the OGCV ballot. We strongly encourage readers of this document to read the proposals, public comments, and reason statements, as well as listen to the testimony at the hearings to inform your voting. All this information is (or will be) available via cdpACCESS.

Eligible voters can cast votes at <https://www.cdpassess.com>. The OGCV is expected to start approximately October 3, and will close two weeks after opening. Detailed rules about voting procedures and code development are found in ICC Council Policy #28 ([CP 28](#)).

Key abbreviations/acronyms in the voting guide:

Organizations:

AWC	=	American Wood Council
ACI	=	American Concrete Institute
ATC	=	Applied Technology Council

Votes & Comments:

AS	=	Approve as submitted
AM	=	Approve as modified (by the code development committee)
AMPC	=	Approve as modified by the public comment(s)
D	=	Disapprove
PC	=	Public Comment
PCH	=	Public Comment Hearings

Priority:

H	=	High priority
M	=	Medium priority
L	=	Low priority

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- The priority shown on the voting guide was determined by TCD. If you do not have time to vote on all the items, we ask that you at least vote on those that are labeled as High priority (green cells in the TCD Priority column).

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- If you use the search function in cdpACCESS to search for a particular Agenda Number, in previous cycles, the search would not work unless you entered the entire Agenda Number (e.g., RB153-22, not just RB153). That may have been fixed for this cycle, but we won't know until the OGCV ballot is released.
- Unfortunately, we do not know how the OGCV ballot will be arranged until the ballot is released. It could be arranged strictly in order of the code change proposal number (Agenda Number), or it could be grouped by the code development committee that heard the item. To accommodate either arrangement, this voting guide has the agenda items listed both ways. On Pages 1-6 of this voting guide, items are sorted by committee, then in order of priority and then by Agenda Number. Pages 7-11 list the items by the Agenda Number.

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S74-22	Risk Category RC IV for I-2 occupancies	D	H	Proposal would place all buildings with I-2 occupancies a Risk Category IV. TCD opposes because this would include small I-2, Condition 1 occupancies (nursing and medical care, such as nursing homes & foster care facilities) that are currently RC II, and other I-2 occupancies that are currently RC III. AS will take a simple majority to pass.
S81-22	Risk category for PV panel systems & elevated PV support structures	AMPC	H	Proposal defines risk categories for PV systems. Most PV systems will be Risk Category II, but many could qualify as RC I. TCD supported the modifications made at the PCH, which clarified that PV panels serving only R-3 buildings qualify as RC I, and specified that elevated PV panels above emergency vehicle parking must be designed for RC IV. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
S116-22	Loads on temporary structures	AMPC	H	Proposal defines loading and procedures for temporary buildings, particularly "public-occupancy temporary structures," allowing them to remain for up to 12 months (presumably, renewable). TCD submitted the modifications which clarified many of the provisions in the original proposal, most importantly, putting the responsibility for ongoing (post-CofO) maintenance inspections and reports on a "qualified person," rather than the building official. Other modifications made for clarity. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
S212-22	AWC Fire Design Specification for mass timber connection protection (Type IV-A, -B, -C)	AS	H	Proposal refers to new AWC Fire Design Specification for design of protection of Type IV-A, IV-B, and IV-C mass timber connections. TCD supports because it replaces a previous "less-official" technical report (AWC TR-10). AS will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
EB64-22	5 psf/10% dead load exemption for PV, including ballast.	AM	M	Proposal allows roof-mounted PV panel systems to be exempt from the lateral load upgrade trigger, if they weigh less than 5 psf and less than 10% of the overall roof dead load. TCD supports this as a reasonable break for roof-mounted PV. It's generally consistent with where the WA State codes are headed in the 2021 WSRC and WSEBC. AM will take a simple majority to pass.

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S137-22	Statement of special inspections for deferred submittals	AMPC	M	Proposal adds an item to require any required special inspections for deferred submittals to be identified on the statement of special inspections. TCD supports as a reasonable requirement, since deferred submittals can require additional special inspections. Egress stairs and exterior cladding systems are example deferred submittals which could require special inspections for erection and fastening. These are sometimes missed because they are not part of the primary structure. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
S224-22	Cutting/notching/boring in wood members	AS	M	Consolidates cutting/notching/boring provisions for wood members into IBC 2308 (conventional construction) and points other codes to it, rather than reproducing them in each code. TCD supports because it will make future maintenance easier (only update one place), and doesn't allow the other codes (IPC, IMC, IFGC) to change the provisions. AS will take a simple majority to pass.
G2-22	Life safety components upgrades for higher risk category	D	L	Proposal would require upgrades to life safety systems, designated seismic systems, emergency power systems, or emergency and egress lighting systems that are shared between portions of buildings that are in different risk categories. TCD opposes because of potential unintended consequences. For example, "life safety systems" would include a fire door in a shared fire wall, which would then trigger the entire building to be designed to the higher risk category. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
S227-22	Hurricane clip design load	AM	L	Proposal updates loads and tables used to determine roof uplift connectors ("hurricane clips"). TCD supports because it updates the terminology to correspond with other parts of the code. The current roof to wall connection wind uplift load table is based on allowable stress design using ASCE7-10, which is outdated. Proposal updates the load table to strength based design with ASCE 7. AM will take a simple majority vote to pass.

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(RESIDENTIAL (IRC-B))**

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RB7-22	Existing buildings provisions in the IRC	AMPC	H	TCD submitted this proposal to adopt uniform existing building provisions in the IRC, that are also aligned with the philosophy of the IEBC. In conjunction with the FEMA/ATC Seismic Code Support Committee, TCD submitted modifications at the PCH to update Appendix AJ as a first step in moving toward a chapter in the IRC devoted to existing building provisions. The most significant updates are to use terminology that is familiar to code users (additions, alterations, repair), and add reasonable breaks to new construction code provisions. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
RB36-22	Wind limitations reformat	D	H	Proposal reformats wind load limitations and engineered wind design triggers in the IRC, and adds more exceptions for seismic design, exterior wall coverings, and decks. TCD opposes because the new format and the new exceptions are confusing, and could lead to broader exemptions from wind design than intended. Although this proposal addresses openings and roofing that are not addressed currently, the language of the proposal leaves the door open for designers to not comply with other provisions of the code that would address lateral/shear wall requirements for high wind speeds. AS will take a 2/3 majority to pass.
RB48-22	Protection of townhouse units at reentrant corners, etc.	AMPC	H	Proposal, with modifications made at the PCH, specifies fire separation distances are to be measured to lot lines between townhouses, where the lot lines exist. If there are no lot lines, fire separation distances are measured to imaginary lot lines. TCD testified in support at the PCH, because this will provide a necessary code path to require protection to prevent spread of fires between townhouse units. It is also consistent with past attempts by TCD and individual WA jurisdictions to address the similar issue in the IBC. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
RB61-22	Two-family dwellings separations	AMPC	H	TCD submitted this proposal to reformat the section on two-family dwelling (duplex) unit separations. The modification approved at the PCH addresses continuity of the separation. RB63-22 is a competing proposal, but TCD prefers RB61 over RB63. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
RB63-22	Two-family dwellings separations (incl. stacked duplexes)	D	H	Proposal adds requirements for fire rated separations between duplex units. TCD opposes because: 1) it competes with TCD's proposal, RB61-22. 2) It adds a requirement for a rated separation between unsprinklered, vertically stacked duplex units with interconnected smoke alarms. TCD does not believe the requirement has been demonstrated to be necessary, and interconnected smoke alarms between separate units are a potential problem for false alarms. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
RB64-22	Separations between dwelling units and common use areas in two-family dwellings	AMPC	H	TCD submitted this proposal to require separations between shared/common accessory space (for example, a shared laundry facility) and duplex units. The separations are based on requirements for garages. TCD submitted one of the modifications approved at the PCH, to clarify the proposal. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
RB150-22	Elevated PV structures	AMPC	H	Proposal adds definitions for elevated PV support structures and aligns the IRC with requirements for elevated PV placed into the IBC in last year's Group A. TCD submitted the modification approved at the PCH to clarify that for story and fire separation distance purposes, elevated PV will be treated as a roof. It is important to recognize that if elevated PV is placed on top of a building, it creates a story--if it is placed near a property line, fire separation distances need to be dealt with. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.

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RB153-22	Sleeping lofts	AMPC	H	TCD submitted this proposal to introduce "sleeping lofts" into the IRC. The requirements are aligned with the sleeping loft appendix approved for the IBC in last year's Group A cycle. TCD submitted the modifications approved at the PCH to clarify the proposal, and add a requirement for an emergency escape and rescue opening to be located in the room to which the sleeping loft opens. This proposal is a step in the direction of the "loft" provisions in the 2021 WSBC and WSRC. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
RB162-22	Structural provisions for alterations	AMPC	H	This proposal, with the modification approved at the PCH, adds/updates structural provisions for alterations in Appendix AJ of the IRC. TCD supports this because it aligns with TCD's RB7-22, in which through collaboration with FEMA/ATC's Seismic Code Support Committee, we deliberately did not address structural provisions. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
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RB44-22	Deflection criteria for handrails and guards	AS	L	Proposal excludes handrails and guards from deflection criteria. TCD supports because we agree the deflection criteria in the code are related to loads other than handrails and guards--usually gravity loads--and that strength-related criteria are most important. AS will take a simple majority vote to pass.
RB62-22	Two-family dwelling unit fire separation continuity	D	L	Proposal tries to address continuity of separations between duplex units. TCD opposes because the issue was taken care of in the modification to RB61-22. AS will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.

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G2-22	Life safety components upgrades for higher risk category	D	L	Proposal would require upgrades to life safety systems, designated seismic systems, emergency power systems, or emergency and egress lighting systems that are shared between portions of buildings that are in different risk categories. TCD opposes because of potential unintended consequences. For example, "life safety systems" would include a fire door in a shared fire wall, which would then trigger the entire building to be designed to the higher risk category. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
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RB24-22	Stair, ramp, and door landings	D	M	Proposal adds definitions for landings--one for landings at stairs and ramps, another for landings at doors. Similar to RB25-22. TCD opposes because the definitions are unnecessary. AS will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
RB25-22	Stair, ramp, and door landings	D	M	Proposal adds a definitions for landings. Similar to RB24-22. TCD opposes because the definition is unnecessary. AS will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
RB36-22	Wind limitations reformat	D	H	Proposal reformats wind load limitations and engineered wind design triggers in the IRC, and adds more exceptions for seismic design, exterior wall coverings, and decks. TCD opposes because the new format and the new exceptions are confusing, and could lead to broader exemptions from wind design than intended. Although this proposal addresses openings and roofing that are not addressed currently, the language of the proposal leaves the door open for designers to not comply with other provisions of the code that would address lateral/shear wall requirements for high wind speeds. AS will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
RB44-22	Deflection criteria for handrails and guards	AS	L	Proposal excludes handrails and guards from deflection criteria. TCD supports because we agree the deflection criteria in the code are related to loads other than handrails and guards--usually gravity loads--and that strength-related criteria are most important. AS will take a simple majority vote to pass.
RB48-22	Protection of townhouse units at reentrant corners, etc.	AMPC	H	Proposal, with modifications made at the PCH, specifies fire separation distances are to be measured to lot lines between townhouses, where the lot lines exist. If there are no lot lines, fire separation distances are measured to imaginary lot lines. TCD testified in support at the PCH, because this will provide a necessary code path to require protection to prevent spread of fires between townhouse units. It is also consistent with past attempts by TCD and individual WA jurisdictions to address the similar issue in the IBC. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
RB61-22	Two-family dwellings separations	AMPC	H	TCD submitted this proposal to reformat the section on two-family dwelling (duplex) unit separations. The modification approved at the PCH addresses continuity of the separation. RB63-22 is a competing proposal, but TCD prefers RB61 over RB63. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
RB62-22	Two-family dwelling unit fire separation continuity	D	L	Proposal tries to address continuity of separations between duplex units. TCD opposes because the issue was taken care of in the modification to RB61-22. AS will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.

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RB63-22	Two-family dwellings separations (incl. stacked duplexes)	D	H	Proposal adds requirements for fire rated separations between duplex units. TCD opposes because: 1) it competes with TCD's proposal, RB61-22. 2) It adds a requirement for a rated separation between unsprinklered, vertically stacked duplex units with interconnected smoke alarms. TCD does not believe the requirement has been demonstrated to be necessary, and interconnected smoke alarms between separate units are a potential problem for false alarms. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
RB64-22	Separations between dwelling units and common use areas in two-family dwellings	AMPC	H	TCD submitted this proposal to require separations between shared/common accessory space (for example, a shared laundry facility) and duplex units. The separations are based on requirements for garages. TCD submitted one of the modifications approved at the PCH, to clarify the proposal. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
RB150-22	Elevated PV structures	AMPC	H	Proposal adds definitions for elevated PV support structures and aligns the IRC with requirements for elevated PV placed into the IBC in last year's Group A. TCD submitted the modification approved at the PCH to clarify that for story and fire separation distance purposes, elevated PV will be treated as a roof. It is important to recognize that if elevated PV is placed on top of a building, it creates a story--if it is placed near a property line, fire separation distances need to be dealt with. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
RB153-22	Sleeping lofts	AMPC	H	TCD submitted this proposal to introduce "sleeping lofts" into the IRC. The requirements are aligned with the sleeping loft appendix approved for the IBC in last year's Group A cycle. TCD submitted the modifications approved at the PCH to clarify the proposal, and add a requirement for an emergency escape and rescue opening to be located in the room to which the sleeping loft opens. This proposal is a step in the direction of the "loft" provisions in the 2021 WSBC and WSRC. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
RB162-22	Structural provisions for alterations	AMPC	H	This proposal, with the modification approved at the PCH, adds/updates structural provisions for alterations in Appendix AJ of the IRC. TCD supports this because it aligns with TCD's RB7-22, in which through collaboration with FEMA/ATC's Seismic Code Support Committee, we deliberately did not address structural provisions. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
RB163-22	Structural provisions for additions	AMPC	H	This proposal, with the modification approved at the PCH, adds/updates structural provisions for additions in Appendix AJ of the IRC. It differentiates between horizontal and vertical additions. TCD supports this because it aligns with TCD's RB7-22, in which through collaboration with FEMA/ATC's Seismic Code Support Committee, we deliberately did not address structural provisions. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
RB206-22	Bracing for URM parapets	AMPC	H	This proposal, with the modification approved at the PCH, adds a requirement to address URM parapets in Appendix AJ of the IRC. TCD supports this because it aligns with TCD's RB7-22, in which through collaboration with FEMA/ATC's Seismic Code Support Committee, we deliberately did not address structural provisions. It also aligns with TCD's and WABO's philosophy of improving safety of URM buildings. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
RB297-22	General structural provisions for existing buildings	AMPC	H	This proposal, with the modification approved at the PCH, adds/updates the general structural provisions for existing buildings in Appendix AJ of the IRC. TCD supports this because it aligns with TCD's RB7-22, in which through collaboration with FEMA/ATC's Seismic Code Support Committee, we deliberately did not address structural provisions. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
S74-22	Risk Category RC IV for I-2 occupancies	D	H	Proposal would place all buildings with I-2 occupancies a Risk Category IV. TCD opposes because this would include small I-2, Condition 1 occupancies (nursing and medical care, such as nursing homes & foster care facilities) that are currently RC II, and other I-2 occupancies that are currently RC III. AS will take a simple majority to pass.

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S81-22	Risk category for PV panel systems & elevated PV support structures	AMPC	H	Proposal defines risk categories for PV systems. Most PV systems will be Risk Category II, but many could qualify as RC I. TCD supported the modifications made at the PCH, which clarified that PV panels serving only R-3 buildings qualify as RC I, and specified that elevated PV panels above emergency vehicle parking must be designed for RC IV. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
S116-22	Loads on temporary structures	AMPC	H	Proposal defines loading and procedures for temporary buildings, particularly "public-occupancy temporary structures," allowing them to remain for up to 12 months (presumably, renewable). TCD submitted the modifications which clarified many of the provisions in the original proposal, most importantly, putting the responsibility for ongoing (post-CoFo) maintenance inspections and reports on a "qualified person," rather than the building official. Other modifications made for clarity. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
S137-22	Statement of special inspections for deferred submittals	AMPC	M	Proposal adds an item to require any required special inspections for deferred submittals to be identified on the statement of special inspections. TCD supports as a reasonable requirement, since deferred submittals can require additional special inspections. Egress stairs and exterior cladding systems are example deferred submittals which could require special inspections for erection and fastening. These are sometimes missed because they are not part of the primary structure. AMPC will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
S212-22	AWC Fire Design Specification for mass timber connection protection (Type IV-A, -B, -C)	AS	H	Proposal refers to new AWC Fire Design Specification for design of protection of Type IV-A, IV-B, and IV-C mass timber connections. TCD supports because it replaces a previous "less-official" technical report (AWC TR-10). AS will take a 2/3 majority vote to pass.
S224-22	Cutting/notching/boring in wood members	AS	M	Consolidates cutting/notching/boring provisions for wood members into IBC 2308 (conventional construction) and points other codes to it, rather than reproducing them in each code. TCD supports because it will make future maintenance easier (only update one place), and doesn't allow the other codes (IPC, IMC, IFGC) to change the provisions. AS will take a simple majority to pass.
S227-22	Hurricane clip design load	AM	L	Proposal updates loads and tables used to determine roof uplift connectors ("hurricane clips"). TCD supports because it updates the terminology to correspond with other parts of the code. The current roof to wall connection wind uplift load table is based on allowable stress design using ASCE7-10, which is outdated. Proposal updates the load table to strength based design with ASCE 7. AM will take a simple majority vote to pass.