

Uniform Building Code Commission Staff Comment Form - FGMP 30

FGMP Technical Committee

Review of the 2021 Editions of the International Fuel Gas Code® (IFGC®), International Mechanical Code® (IMC®), International Plumbing Code® (IPC®)

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Code Change Information

Originating Committee: FGMP 2018 Code Modified: 2018 IPC

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Which area of the code (Section, Table, Figure) was revised?

<u>Chapter 4, Section 410.4</u> Page Number: <u>4-8</u>

Previous Change:

410.4 Substitution. Where restaurants provide drinking water in a container free of charge, drinking fountains shall not be required in those restaurants. In occupancy Group B, F, M, I-4 and S, with an occupant load less than 50, where drinking fountains are required, a water dispenser connected to the potable water distribution system shall be permitted to be substituted for the required drinking fountain. In other occupancies other than restaurants where drinking fountains are required, water dispensers shall be permitted to be substituted for not more than 50 percent of the required number of drinking fountains

Historical information

This change was made to by the 2018 FGMP committee. The submitter of the form noted that Table 403.1 required at least one drinking fountain in every occupancy classification except R-1 hotels, R-2 apartment house, and R-3 one- and two-family dwellings and lodging houses with five or fewer guestrooms. They noted the ratio for the first drinking fountain was anywhere from 1 to 100 occupants to 1 per 1000 occupants depending on the occupancy classification. They added in the IBC section 1109.5 required where a drinking fountain was provided on the exterior site, a floor or within a secured area, not fewer than two drinking fountains shall be provided. One for wheelchair use and one for standing use, with 2 exceptions one for spouts that comply with both the wheelchair and standing requirements and the other modifies the height of fixtures when primarily used by children.

The 2021 code is slightly different than the 2018 code. Committee should review the differences and determine if the change should be kept, modified or deleted from the agency rules.