

Uniform Building Code Commission Staff Comment Form – BEBF 63

BEBF Technical Committee

Review of the 2021 Editions of the International Building Code[®] (IBC[®]), International Existing Building Code[®] (IEBC[®]), International Fire Code[®]

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Code Change Information

Originating Committee: BEBF 2018Code Modified: 2018 IBCOriginal Comment Form Number: CCF130Rule Number: 748:20-4-8 (3) & (4)

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

Previous change:

311.5 Placards. Any vacant or abandoned buildings or structures determined to be unsafe pursuant to Section <u>110</u> <u>111</u> of this code relating to structural or interior hazards shall be marked as required by Sections 311.5.1 through 311.5.5.

311.5.4 Placard symbols. The design of placards shall use the following symbols:

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(C) <u>A square comprised of four equal sides with four equal 90-degree angles drawn in black with a</u> white center and two diagonal lines drawn in the middle of the white center, one from the upper left 90-degree angle to the lower right 90-degree angle and one from the upper right 90-degree angle to the lower left 90-degree angle, forming a "X" has been added. This symbol shall mean that structure or interior hazards exist to a degree that consideration should be given to limit firefighting to exterior operations only; with entry only occurring for known life hazards.

(D) Vacant marker hazard identification symbols: The following symbols shall be used to designate known hazards on the vacant building marker. They shall be placed directly above the symbol.

(i) R/O - Roof open.

- (ii) S/M Stairs, steps and landing missing.
- (iii) F/E Avoid fire escapes.
- (iv) H/F Holes in floor.

Historical information:

Both changes were made to correct errata in the 2018 code. The 2021 code is correct and staff recommendation is to delete both changes from the agency rules and revert to the published code.