



OKLAHOMA

Uniform Building Code Commission Technical Code Review Committee

Code Change Proposal Form - **CSPSTC-4**

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INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Please type or print clearly.
2. Form must be signed. Any forms that are not signed or filled out completely, may not be considered.
3. Each requested change must be on a separate form.
4. If the space to show the proposed change or supporting information is not big enough to show the entire change, write the words "See Attached" in the space provided and submit the change on a separate page or document.

Contact Information:

Name _____

Address _____

City, State and Zip _____

Email Address _____

Phone Number _____

Financial Impacts:

Please provide the following information:

Who will be impacted by this change, (i.e. contractors, business or homeowners, specific trades, etc.)?

What is the financial impact of this change?

Increase cost

Decrease costs

Keep Costs the Same

What is the expected amount of the increase or decrease? _____

If this change increases the cost of construction, will it exceed \$1,000,000 over the course of five years?

Yes

No

Explain the method used to determine the economic impact. Please provide the sources used to determine the impact, in the explanation.

Code Change Information:

Which code needs to be revised? _____

Which part of the code needs to be revised?

Section _____ Table _____ Figure _____ Page _____

Proposed Change:

Show the proposed new, revised, or deleted text in Legislative format. Line through text to be deleted and underline text to be added or revised.

ISPSC-24 Section 303.1.3 — Clarification of “Approved Vapor-Retardant Means”

Background

Section 303.1.3 requires outdoor heated pools and permanent spas to be provided with a vapor-retardant cover or other approved vapor-retardant means. The code does not define what constitutes an “approved” vapor-retardant means beyond physical covers. This lack of clarity has resulted in inconsistent enforcement.

Code Intent

ISPSC commentary explains that most energy loss from heated pools and spas occurs due to evaporation at the water surface. Section 303.1.3 is intended to reduce evaporation and associated heat loss.

Proposed Clarification

The proposed amendment clarifies that liquid evaporation-suppressant products may be considered an approved vapor-retardant means when:

- The product is listed and labeled for pool or spa use
 - The product is applied and maintained per manufacturer instructions
 - Approval remains with the Authority Having Jurisdiction
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Impact

- Improves consistency and enforceability
 - Maintains existing compliance options
 - Preserves AHJ authority
 - No life-safety impact
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Summary

This proposal clarifies existing language without expanding scope or reducing safety. It aligns enforcement with the stated intent of ISPSC-24 Section 303.1.3.