

Uniform Building Code Commission Technical Code Review Committee

RETC-24

Code Change Proposal Form

NOTE: This form and any attachments hereto are subject to the Oklahoma Open Records Act and may be disbursed, upon request, without further notice to the submitter.

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 Warren Goldmann				
Address 222 N Broadway				
City, State and Zip Weatherford, OK 73096				
Email Address goldmann57@live.com				
Phone Number 580-772-4479				

Financial Impacts:

Please provide the following information:

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

Home owners and business owners with refrigerators and freezers that are not monitored daily.

What is the financial impact of this change? Decrease costs

Increase cost Decrease costs Keep Costs the Same

What is the expected amount of the increase or decrease? Per occurrence \$ 500 to 3500____

If this change increases the cost of construction, will it exceed \$1,000,000 over the course of five years? No

Yes No

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

Antidotal and personal experience with customers after surges or lightening tripping GFCI and AFCI receptacles and breakers causing spoilage of food in freezers and refrigerators.

Code Change Information:

Which code needs to be r	evised? IRC				
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.

E3902.14 Outdoor Outlets. All outdoor outlets, including outlets installed in the following locations, and supplied by single-phase branch phase circuits rated 150 volts or less to ground, 50 amperes or less, shall be provided with GFCI protection.

- 1. Garages that have floors located at or below grade level.
- 2. 2. Accessory buildings.
- 3. Boathouses.

Exceptions:

- GFCI protection shall not be required on lighting outlets other than those covered in Section 210.8(F) of NFPA 70.
- 2. GFCI protection shall not be required for receptacles that are not readily accessible and are supplied by a branch circuit dedicated to electric snow-melting deicing, or pipeline and vessel heating equipment where such equipment is protected as required by NFPA 70.
- 3. GFCI protection shall not be required for listed HVAC equipment. This exception shall expire on September 1, 2026.
- 4. <u>GFCI shall not be required for refrigerators or freezers.</u>

Please provide justification for the proposed change and clarify if it impacts life safety.

During storms with lightening and high winds interruptions and surges occur that cause GFCI and AFCI receptacles and breakers to trip causing food in refrigerators and freezers to spoil causing a safety hazard and financial loss.

Signature: Warren Goldmann_____ Date: 6-5-2025_____

Send completed form to:

Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission 2401 N.W. 23 St, Ste 82, Oklahoma City, OK 73107 Or email to: permitreporting@oubcc.ok.gov