

NEW MATERIAL

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REVISION OF WISCONSIN STATE BUILDING CODE

IND 51.001 Fire Resistive Construction.

(2) All exterior and inner court walls shall be of not less than 4-hour fire resistive construction, as specified in section Ind 51.05, except that non-load bearing exterior walls which face streets, alleys, outer or inner courts 20 feet or more in width may be constructed of incombustible panels of not less than 1-hour fire resistive construction.

(a) Non-load bearing exterior walls which face streets, alleys, outer or inner courts 30 feet or more in width may be constructed of incombustible panels with no fire resistive rating.

(3) Interior partitions shall be constructed of incombustible materials, except that dividing partitions in stores, offices, and similar places not exceeding 3,000 square feet in area, occupied by one tenant only, may be constructed of wood panels or similar light construction.

(a) Partitions entirely within apartments having a floor area of not more than 800 square feet shall be of 1-hour fire resistive construction but such partitions may be constructed with wood studs as specified in section Ind 51.05. Doors in such partitions may be wood panel doors.

IND 51.01 Mill Construction

(2) Exterior and court walls shall be 2-hour fire resistive construction as specified in section Ind 51.05, except that non-load bearing exterior walls which face streets, alleys, outer or inner courts 20 feet or more in width may be constructed of incombustible panels of not less than 1-hour fire resistive construction.

(a) Non-load bearing exterior walls which face streets, alleys, outer or inner courts 30 feet or more in width may be constructed of incombustible panels with no fire resistive rating.

IND 51.16 Stairways

(2) Width. Every required exit stairway, whether enclosed or not, shall be not less than 3 feet 8 inches wide of which not more than 4 inches on each side may be occupied by a handrail. Every platform shall be at least as wide as the stairway, measuring at right angles to the direction of travel. Every straight run platform shall measure at least 3 feet in the direction of travel. Wherever a door opens onto a stairway, a platform shall be provided extending at least the full width of the door in the direction of travel.

Exception. (a) In apartment buildings not more than two stories in height and having not more than two apartments on a floor and in rooming houses, hospitals, hotels and similar buildings not more than two stories in height and having not more than 6 living or sleeping rooms on a floor, such stairways shall not be less than 3 feet wide.

(b) If other stairways are provided in addition to those required by this code, such additional stairways need not conform to the width requirements of this code.

IND 53.09 Bearing Masonry Walls, Bearing Partitions and Piers.

(12) A building not more than one story in height may have 8 inch bearing walls, provided the clearstory height is not more than 12 feet, the roof span is not more than 25 feet, and the distance between cross walls, offsets or pilasters is not more than 20 feet.

(a) A building not more than one story in height may have 6-inch bearing walls provided the clearstory height is not more than 9 feet, the roof span is not more than 18 feet and the distance between cross walls, offsets, or pilasters is not more than 15 feet. All other one story buildings shall have all bearing walls not less than 12 inches thick.

IND 53.28 Wood Construction

(9) Posts and Columns. Wood posts, when used in basements, shall bear on a cement base which shall extend not less than 3 inches above the finish floor. The base shall bear directly on the post footing.

(a) Short columns or posts are those having an $\frac{L}{d}$ ratio of 10 or less in which L = unsupported length in inches and d the least side in inches.