

Consultation on Technical Advisory Committee Recommendations and Implementation Strategies

Recommendations: Definitions

Recommendation Summary	Potential Implementation Strategy	
	Code Changes	Non Code Changes
D-REC 1: Harmonize Fire Code (OFC) and Building Code (OBC) definitions pertaining to vulnerable occupancies with those found in the National model codes.	Fire Code: Div. A, 1.4.1.2. Building Code: A-01-04-01	N/A
D-REC 2: Include Explanatory/Appendix Notes in both the OFC and OBC that elaborate on the definitions referenced in D-REC 1.	Fire Code: Div. A, 1.4.1.2. Building Code: A-01-04-01	N/A

Recommendations: Fire Code Enhancements

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FCE – REC 1: Amend the Fire Code to introduce enhanced fire safety retrofit requirements for existing care occupancies .	Fire Code: Div. B, 9.1.2.1. Fire Code: Div. B, 9.1.2.2. Fire Code: Div. B, 9.7	N/A
FCE – REC 2: Incorporate an implementation schedule to phase in new Fire Code requirements.	Fire Code: Div. B, 9.1.3.1.	N/A
FCE – REC 3: Amend the Building Code and the Fire Code to introduce enhanced fire safety requirements for new and existing occupancies required to be licensed by or under the <i>Retirement Homes Act</i> . Such occupancies to also be subject to enhanced emergency planning and staffing requirements of the Fire Code.	Fire Code: Div. B, 2.8.1.1. Fire Code: Div. B, 2.8.2.2 Fire Code: Div. B, 9.1.2.1. Fire Code: Div. B, 9.1.2.2. Fire Code: Div. B, 9.7 Building Code: B-03-02-01 Building Code: B-09-10-01	N/A
FCE – REC 4: Amend the Fire Code to introduce enhanced fire safety retrofit requirements for existing care and treatment occupancies .	Fire Code: Div. B, 9.4.1.1. Fire Code: Div. B, 9.4.5.5.	N/A
FCE – REC 5: In relation to FCE - REC 4, incorporate a fixed compliance date.	Fire Code: Div. B, 9.1.3.1.	N/A

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FCE – REC 6: Recommendation to MOHLTC concerning automatic sprinklers in existing hospitals.	N/A	Establish MCSCS / MOHLTC Working Group to guide implementation.

Recommendations: Inspections

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I-REC 1: Every municipality to develop a municipal registry of vulnerable occupancies.	N/A	Implementation via Fire Marshal's Directive under the authority of ss. 2(1)(a) and 9(1)(b) of the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997. Establish stakeholder working group to assist with the development of associated tools and guidelines.
I-REC 2: Annual fire drills to be carried out in vulnerable occupancies. Validation of fire safety plan by the Chief Fire Official. Development of municipal policy regarding inspection frequency.	Fire Code: Div. B, 2.8.3.	Implementation via Fire Marshal's Directive under the authority of ss. 2(1)(a) and 9(1)(b) of the <i>Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997</i> . Establish stakeholder working group to assist with the development of associated tools and guidelines.
I-REC 3: Develop a web portal for vulnerable occupancies consolidating available resources.	N/A	Implementation via development of OFM web portal.

Recommendations: Training

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T-REC 1: Develop an OFM approved fire safety training course for owners/operators of care occupancies.	Fire Code: Div. C, 1.2.3.	OFM to undertake development and delivery of training materials.
T-REC 2: Develop an OFM approved fire safety training course for owners/operators of buildings regulated by the <i>Retirement Homes Act</i> .	Fire Code: Div. C, 1.2.3.	OFM to undertake development and delivery of training materials.
T-REC 3: Develop an OFM approved basic fire safety orientation program for supervisory staff in vulnerable occupancies.	Fire Code: Div. B, 2.8.2.1.	OFM to undertake development and delivery of training materials.
T-REC 4: Develop an OFM approved course on vulnerable occupancies for the fire service.	Fire Code: Div. C, 1.2.4.	OFM to undertake development and delivery of training materials.
T-REC 5: Develop fire safety related fact sheets for vulnerable occupancies.	N/A	OFM to undertake development of fact sheets.
T-REC 6: Explore alternative methods for fire safety training delivery	N/A	OFM to explore alternative delivery options.
T-REC 7: Develop a web portal for vulnerable occupancies consolidating available resources.	N/A	Implementation via development of OFM web portal.

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T-REC 8: Amend the Fire Code to require owners to document training provided to ‘supervisory staff’.	Fire Code: Div. B, 2.8.2.1.	N/A
T-REC 9: Establish a training committee for vulnerable occupancies.	N/A	Establish Stakeholder Committee to guide implementation.