

Florida Fire Marshals And Inspectors Association

Informal Interpretation

Date: February 20, 2012

NFPA Document Number: NFPA 101

Edition: 2009

Paragraph Reference: Chapter 28/29

If this involves an actual situation, explain briefly:

Fire Marshal is applying NFPA 101, Ch. 28 a 75- year old historic building because at one time the property was undergoing a change of use from apartment to hotel. There is no type of renovations, modifications, construction or alterations being undertaken. She is citing Ch. 28 to mandate the installations of fire sprinklers.

Question (should be worded so that it can be answered with either "Yes" or "No"):

Shouldn't the fire marshal be citing Ch. 29, For Existing Hotels{structures}, even assuming arguendo that the structure must undergo a change of use from apartment to hotel, as the Sadigo Court is not a new building?

Answer:

Response: No, the correct chapter is 28.

Committee Answer Submitted by,

Bart Wright, Chair Informal Fire Code Interpretation Committee