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MEMORANDUM

Bulletin E-01-16

To: All Permit Applicants

From: Thomas H. Goldsbury, P.E., C.B.O.
Chief, Building Inspection Division

Re: **Replacement Receptacles**

Due to the change in the 2011 National Electrical Code, under Article 406.4(D)(4)(5) and (6), it is now a requirement to have a permit that requires a final inspection on replacement of any receptacles in a dwelling. The inspection will be to ensure that any replacement receptacles in an area of the dwelling that requires Arc-Fault Circuit-Interrupter protection, according to the requirements of NEC2011-Article 406.4(D)(4), will be met. This is a new requirement for this edition of the National Electrical Code, which was adopted by the State of Florida July 1, 2015.

In addition to the above, any replacement receptacles will need to meet Article 406.4(D)(5) for Tamper-Resistant Receptacles and Article 406.4(D)(6) for Weather-Resistant Receptacles, where required.

These new requirements are in addition to the requirements for replacing receptacles in a location that requires Ground-Fault Circuit-Interrupter protection. The National Electrical Code has required for quite some time that replacement receptacles in locations that require Ground-Fault Circuit-Interrupter protection be replaced by Ground-Fault Circuit-Interrupter protection.

Though this change was in the 2011 National Electrical Code when the State of Florida adopted it last year, we are giving a short "grace period" until enforcement. Effective January 1, 2017, this will be required and permits with these items will now be a \$60 permit (plus required state surcharge) and require a passed final inspection.