

Palm Coast's Technical Amendments to the Florida Building Code



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Comparison of Palm Coast's Technical Amendments to the City of Jacksonville

From City of Jacksonville Ordinance - Floodplain Management Chapter 652, Part 9 Definitions

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SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENT. Any combination of repair, reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition, or other improvement of a building or structure taking place during a 10-year period, the cumulative cost of which equals or exceeds fifty (50) percent of the market value of the building or structure before the improvement or repair is started. The period of accumulation begins when the first improvement or repair of each building is permitted subsequent to August 19. 2008. If the structure has incurred "substantial damage," any repairs are considered substantial improvement regardless of the actual repair work performed. The term does not, however, include either:

- (1) Any project for improvement of a building required to correct existing health, sanitary, or safety code violations identified by the building official and that are the minimum necessary to assure safe living conditions.
- (2) Any alteration of a historic structure provided the alteration will not preclude the structure1s continued designation as a historic structure.



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Substantial improvement. Any combination of repair, reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition, or other improvement of a building or structure taking place during a ten-year period, the cumulative cost of which equals or exceeds 50 percent of the market value of the building or structure before the improvement or repair is started. For each building or structure, the ten-year period begins on the date of the first improvement or repair of that building or structure. If the structure has incurred "substantial damage," any repairs are considered substantial improvement regardless of the actual repair work performed. The term does not, however, include either:

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Added to FBC, Building 1612.4 Design and construction:

1612.4.2 Elevation requirements. The minimum elevation requirements for coastal high hazard areas (Zone V) and Coastal A Zones shall be as specified in ASCE 24 or the base flood elevation plus 2 feet (610 mm). whichever is higher.

1612.4.3 Additional requirements for enclosed areas. In addition to the requirements of ASCE 24, enclosed areas below the design flood elevation shall not be partitioned or finished into separate rooms except for stairwells, ramps, and elevators.