



News from the Mechanical Inspectors

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2009 NC Mechanical Code and Gas Code:

July 1, 2009 will be the date you will need to begin using the 2009 Codes. Any system installed after June 30, 2009 will need to be installed using the 2009 Codes.

News from Department of Insurance

The outside air requirements for existing buildings has been revised by Billy Hinton. See attached comments from Billy on outside air for existing systems.

Keep in mind that we have been requiring outside since the 1991 Code. You may have to provide documentation when the original system was installed.

E-mail from Billy Hinton below:

An existing system that is code compliant in design and installation at the time it is permitted and installed would not require

that its design basis be reconstituted to today's requirements due to the replacement of its air handler if it is in need of replacement. This assumes that the design of the system was code compliant when installed and you still have the same use and occupancy as before. The new work performed must meet the current code requirements and the suitability of the existing system to function acceptably with the new work must be evaluated by the installer. If the original installation was not code compliant when installed, those issues would need to be addressed.

This opinion is supported by the language contained in section 102.4 of the 2009 NC Mechanical code.

Best regards, Billy Hinton.



Summer is gone, lets hope for a cold winter.

Please remember a change of occupancy would always require the code be meet for outside air requirements.

If any questions arise about your requirements please feel free to contact myself or the inspector in the area you are working.

Thanks,

Mike Norris

If you wish to have your questions included in our monthly newsletter,

Please send to miken@cityofws.org. Thanks, Michael Norris, Senior Mechanical Inspector 336-727-2382

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