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Question:

Is it the intent of FBC 424.2.17.1.2, and FBC R 4101.17.1.2 for fences used as pool barriers to comply with FBC 1607.7.1.2 for structural loading and stability, specifically the pickets?

Answer:

No.

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Commentary:

A pool fence does not meet the definitions of items covered by 1607.7 and there are no references to the section.

That being said, the fence still must prevent passage of a 4 inch sphere at a reasonable hand pressure. No specific value is provided by the code.

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