



**Informal Interpretation Report  
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**Question:**

Is it the intent of M1411.3.1 that the word "or" has been used in the first sentence of this code section or should it have been "and"? Comment: The use of "or" appears to makes it OK to install a unit with a cooling or evap. coil in a location where it can cause damage to the structure without an auxiliary drain pan, as long as it has a water level detection device as allowed in method 2. Is this an error in the wording? It is also found in the 2004 edition of the Mechanical code, at Section 307.2.3.

**Answer**

It is not a mistake. it is intentionally an "either/or" option.

**Commentary:**

None

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