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Section 423.5.13

Question:

Is it the intent of Florida Building Code that if Classroom(s) have been rearranged by space and/or change of use, those area(s) need to comply with the Florida Building Code for New Construction?

Answer

Yes. If the physical configuration of a space changes, or a spaces use changes, the reconfigured space or new use is required to comply with new construction requirements.

Commentary:

Because of Section 423.5.14, FBC, Building, public educational facilities are exempted from the Existing Building Code. See Exception to Section 101.2, Existing Building Code.

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