Informal Interpretation Report
Number 6810

Date July 22, 2011

Edition 2007

Section 210.52

Question:

Is it the intent of NEC section 210.52 to view kitchen islands and peninsulas that seperate kitchens from living areas as both countertops and fixed room dividers?

Answer

Yes. If the divider is over 12 feet, you would start from the edge and install a receptacle, within 6 ft of the edge. If there is still counter wall space after measuring 12 ft from that receptacle then you would install another and so on, otherwise the requirement would be for the one, because the space is 2 ft. or larger.

Commentary:

The wall space adjoining / facing the living space must have receptacle outlets installed per 210.52(A), & the countertop side facing the kitchen must have receptacles installed per 210.52(C).

Notice:
The Building Officials Association of Florida, in cooperation with the Florida Building Commission, the Florida Department of Business & Professional Regulation, ICC, and industry and professional experts offer this interpretation of the Florida Building Code in the interest of consistency in their application statewide. This interpretation is informal, non-binding and subject to acceptance and approval by the local building official.