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Section R311 Means of Egress

Question:

Is it the intent of section R311.5.8.3 to require that the min. tread depth at the smaller radius of a circular stair be 10" (9" with a 1" nosing) as measured from nosing to nosing?

Answer

No.

Commentary:

The Code section says "may" not shall.

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