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Section 1013.1

Question:

Is it the intent of the code to define 'walking surface' to mean any surface that could possibly be walked upon

Answer

No, but be aware, the height is measured from the seat level of any fixed seating adjacent to the elevation difference. For example, a bench along the edge of a deck with a distance to grade of 30" or greater within 36" horizontally of the deck edge. (Section 1013.2)

Commentary:

None.

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