



**Informal Interpretation Report
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Section 912.2.1

Question:

Is it the intent of the above referenced Code and Section to allow for providing a new automatic fire sprinkler system only in the tenant space requiring a Change of Occupancy (versus the entire building)?

Answer

Section 912.2.1 states that the "system shall be provided throughout the area where the change of occupancy occurs." This would limit the installation of the system to only the area where the change of occupancy has occurred. If other portions of the building have not had a change of occupancy, then those portions would not require retrofit with a fire sprinkler system. This applies to separated mixed occupancy. If it will be non-separated mixed occupancy, the entire building is required to be sprinklered.

Commentary:

The provisions of the Florida Fire Prevention Code may differ.

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