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Question:

Is it the intent of exceptions 6 and 14 to allow for combustible materials to be used for the construction of a skateboard ramp in an existing Type IIB building?

Answer

No.

Exception 6 is limited to small amounts of trim material.

Exception 14 is limited to small amounts of blocking within walls. Neither of these two scenarios present fire loading that is consistent with the hazard of a combustible skateboard ramp.

Commentary:

That being said, if the skateboard ramp was constructed out of fire-retardant-treated-wood, it appears that it would potentially be consistent with the fire loading described in exceptions 1.1 or 1.3 and could be permitted with the specific evaluation of an equivalency by the Building Official.

Exception 10, while not specifically referenced in the request, leads to Section 805 which may provide some options.

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