



**Informal Interpretation Report
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Section 1035.3

Question:

Is it the intent of 1035.3 to allow an NFPA 13 AND 13R automatic sprinkler system as in 1014.3 exception (4) to allow the increase in common path of travel to 125 feet?

Answer

As it applies to R-1 Occupancies - No. Sprinkler systems in R-1 facilities are required to be NFPA 13 systems with some allowance for NFPA 13R systems in the guest areas of an R-1 occupancy. A major difference in the sections is the inclusion of R-1 in s.1035.3. The requester also ignores Exception 6 to s.1014.3.

As it applies to R-2 Occupancies - Yes. As the applicant specifically references R-2, a residential system was intended to allow a longer travel distance within the unit per 1014.3, Exc. 4. as the section addresses specifically R-2 by itself.

Commentary:

None

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