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Section 602.2

Question:

Is it the intent of 602.2 to allow the installation of materials which are similar in appearance, but are of different composition, for siding replacement and do those repairs only have to comply with the applicable code at the time that the building was originally erected?

Answer

Yes, 602.2 allows like material for alteration or repair, this would apply to siding, the material would have to be installed per its product approval and current code.

Commentary:

Firstly, the reference to Section 606.2.1 in the "Comment" is irrelevant unless the siding is a structural element. Secondly, like materials is not defined and is not exactly the same as the material being replaced, the local official would be the one to determine if it is acceptable as a like material.

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