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Section 454.2.17.1.9

Question:

Is it the intent of code to require a central alarm system to generate at least an 85 dBA @ 10 feet sound rating if it is used as a pool exit alarm?

Answer

Yes

Commentary:

This is backed up by Fl Statute 515.27(c)

All doors and windows providing direct access from the home to the pool must be equipped with an exit alarm that has a minimum sound pressure rating of 85 dB A at 10 feet;

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