



**Informal Interpretation Report
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Section 704

Question:

Is it the intent of the exception in 704 to allow a reduction of 5-percent in the existing clear opening for replacement windows if the existing clear opening is less than required by current code?

Answer

Yes, the reduction is to the existing opening. Compliance with past editions of the code does not mean the opening size will comply with the current edition.

Commentary:

None

Notice:

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