



**Informal Interpretation Report
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Section 302.11

Question:

Is it the intent of Section R302.11 to require fireblocking, both vert. and horiz. for 3/4" furring strips installed on the face of concrete block walls to be cover with drywall?

Answer:

No. Please see the attached commentary

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Commentary:

Note that R302.11.1 lists 8 options for the fireblocking material. None of these is a 3/4" furring strip.

The first line of the section states states: "In combustible construction..." It goes on to say "Fireblocking shall be provided in wood-frame construction"

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