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Section 102.2(h)

Question:

Both section 102.2(h), and F.S. 553.73 exempt a Chickee constructed under the outlined allowance from the requirements of the Florida Building Code. Two questions. This exemption would also exempt this structure from the requirements of the Florida Fire Prevention Code? Second question. If a concrete slab is proposed under the Chickee, but is not physically incorporated (meaning the structure post of the Chickee hut are outside the proposed concrete slab, not imbedded in the slab) would this negate the exemption allowance as the concrete slab would be noted as "incorporated into the structure, and is a nonwood feature"?

Answer

The interpretation of the Florida Fire Prevention Code (FFPC), which generally does not apply to one and two family dwellings, should be requested from the Florida Fire Marshals and Inspectors Association. Question 2, 102.2 (h) specifies "does not incorporate. any electrical, plumbing or non-wood features". Webster defines incorporate as "to blend." It does not specify that it has to be attached to be incorporated. The building volume of the Florida codes does not provide an exemption for the FFPC or concrete. The local fire official should respond to for fire.

Commentary:

None.

Notice:

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