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Section 1108.1 Secondary (emergency overflow) drains or scuppers

Question:

Is a separate secondary emergency overflow drain required for each primary roof drain, or may water from a roof area with a blocked primary drain be designed to flow into an adjacent roof area served by another secondary drainage point?

Answer

Yes, the code requires secondary emergency overflow drains, any deviation from the code requirement would be an alternative and should be treated as such.

Commentary:

None.

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