

Rule Summary and Fiscal Analysis (Part A)**Department of Commerce**

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Rule Number

NEW

TYPE of rule filing

Rule Title/Tag Line

Emergency planning and preparedness.**RULE SUMMARY**

1. Is the rule being filed consistent with the requirements of the RC 119.032 review? **No**

2. Are you proposing this rule as a result of recent legislation? **No**

3. Statute prescribing the procedure in accordance with the agency is required to adopt the rule: **119.03**

4. Statute(s) authorizing agency to adopt the rule: **3737.22, 3737.73, 3737.82**

5. Statute(s) the rule, as filed, amplifies or implements: **3737.22, 3737.73, 3737.82**

6. State the reason(s) for proposing (i.e., why are you filing,) this rule:

The State Fire Marshal proposes to adopt Chapter 4 of the 2009 International Fire Code as amended, to revise and update the administrative rules comprising the Ohio Fire Code and to implement Section 3737.73 of the Revised Code. Also, this rule is being proposed to comply with five year rule review requirements.

7. If the rule is an AMENDMENT, then summarize the changes and the content of the proposed rule; if the rule type is RESCISSION, NEW or NO CHANGE, then summarize the content of the rule:

This section of the Ohio Fire Code prescribes rules for reporting emergencies, coordination of emergency response forces, emergency plans and procedures for managing or responding to emergencies and fire and tornado drills. For further details on the changes to this rule, please see the attached exhibit "A".

8. If the rule incorporates a text or other material by reference and the agency claims the incorporation by reference is exempt from compliance with sections 121.71 to 121.74 of the Revised Code because the text or other material is **generally available** to persons who reasonably can be expected to be affected by the rule, provide an explanation of how the text or other material is generally available to those persons:

Materials incorporated by reference in this rule are listed in O.A.C. 1301:7-7-47 and are generally available to affected persons (including members of the fire service, persons responsible for life safety in public occupancies, and design professionals) in the following manner:

1. All text or materials are published by either other governmental agencies, private organizations or industry associations. All of these publications may be obtained by the publishing companies that distribute this material nationally or by any person, without any restriction, from the organization that promulgated the material or text. Some of these reference materials are free and some may be purchased for a reasonable fee. O.A.C. 1301:7-7-47 lists the incorporated material and contact information for each of the organizations that publish the listed incorporated material.

2. Most of the incorporated material is also available at Ohio public libraries, the Division of State Fire Marshal, the Board of Building Standards, or at local government offices, including fire departments.

9. If the rule incorporates a text or other material by reference, and it was **infeasible** for the agency to file the text or other material electronically, provide an explanation of why filing the text or other material electronically was infeasible:

Not applicable.

10. If the rule is being **rescinded** and incorporates a text or other material by reference, and it was **infeasible** for the agency to file the text or other material, provide an explanation of why filing the text or other material was infeasible:

Not Applicable.

11. If **revising** or **refiling** this rule, identify changes made from the previously filed version of this rule; if none, please state so:

Not Applicable.

12. 119.032 Rule Review Date:

(If the rule is not exempt and you answered NO to question No. 1, provide the scheduled review date. If you answered YES to No. 1, the review date for this rule is the filing date.)

NOTE: If the rule is not exempt at the time of final filing, two dates are required: the current review date plus a date not to exceed 5 years from the effective date for Amended rules or a date not to exceed 5 years from the review date for No Change rules.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

13. Estimate the total amount by which *this proposed rule* would **increase / decrease** either **revenues / expenditures** for the agency during the current biennium (in dollars): Explain the net impact of the proposed changes to the budget of your agency/department.

This will have no impact on revenues or expenditures.

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This rule will have no fiscal impact.

14. Identify the appropriation (by line item etc.) that authorizes each expenditure necessitated by the proposed rule:

Not applicable.

15. Provide a summary of the estimated cost of compliance with the rule to all directly affected persons. When appropriate, please include the source for your information/estimated costs, e.g. industry, CFR, internal/agency:

The 2011 Ohio Fire Code will be available on the State Fire Marshal website with free access. Thus, purchase of a hard copy of the new code is optional and not required.

16. Does this rule have a fiscal effect on school districts, counties, townships, or

municipal corporations? **No**

17. Does this rule deal with environmental protection or contain a component dealing with environmental protection as defined in R. C. 121.39? **No**

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**Ohio Fire Code
RSFA Supplement
Rule 1301:7-7-04**

EXHIBIT A

Rule 4 This rule contains new sections which have been moved or restructured. Other new language was added to clarify existing requirements and/or to be consistent with the 2009 International Fire Code (IFC). Finally, the following amended sections are noteworthy or contain a new requirement but have no or de minimis fiscal impact/cost of compliance:

- 401.3.3 This language is a result of restructuring OFC 401.3.
- 401.4 This language is a result of restructuring OFC 401.3.
- 401.5 This language was moved from OFC 401.3.1.
- 403.3 Language was added to be consistent with the International Fire Code, with local ordinances regarding crowd control, and OFC section 2404.20 which already requires a crowd manager for every 250 people when an event occurs in tents, canopies or membrane structures. Section 403.3 expands the use of a crowd manager to cover venues where 1,000 people may attend. Crowd managers may be police, ushers, and other persons working at a venue, all of whom have already undergone some type of training. Most large venues that can accommodate 1,000 people already have such persons in place. Therefore, there is no fiscal impact and a de minimis cost of compliance.
- 404.2 Language was added to be consistent with the IFC. New language adds a category of buildings, Group F, that must have a fire safety and evacuation plan. There is no fiscal impact and the cost of developing such a plan is de minimis.
- 404.3.1-3.2 Language was added to be consistent with the IFC. New language was added to require the inclusion of assisted rescue in fire evacuation and fire safety plans. This addition has no fiscal impact or cost of compliance.
- 404.3.3 Language was added to be consistent with the IFC. New language requires facilities to develop a lockdown plan. This requirement has no fiscal impact and a de minimis administrative cost of compliance.

- 404.5.1 Language was added to be consistent with the IFC. New language requires fire safety and evacuation plans be distributed to tenants and employees. This requirement has no fiscal impact and a de minimis administrative cost of compliance as such distribution may be made through electronic mail.
- 404.5.2 New language requires an evacuation plan be posted in certain educational occupancy rooms. This requirement has no fiscal impact and a de minimis administrative cost.
- 406.3.3 Language was added to be consistent with the IFC. New language was added to require the training of employees if the facility has a lockdown plan. This addition has no fiscal impact and a de minimis administrative cost of compliance.