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Public Notice of Proposed Changes to the Ohio Fire Code and State Fire Marshal Rules

The Ohio Department of Commerce, Division of State Fire Marshal (SFM) is considering a revision of rules 1301:7-7-01 through 1301:7-7-80 of the Administrative Code, also collectively known as the Ohio Fire Code.

In accordance with this intent and pursuant to Sections 119.03 and 119.032 and Chapters 3731. and 3737. of the Revised Code (R.C.), the SFM will conduct a **public hearing** as follows:

Tuesday, October 7, 2025, at 10:00 AM Division of State Fire Marshal 8895 East Main Street Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068

The purpose of the hearing is to receive public comment on the rescission of all currently existing rules and the adoption of the following rules of the Ohio Administrative Code (OAC):

Rule 1301:7-7-01	Scope and administration
Rule 1301:7-7-02	Definitions
Rule 1301:7-7-03	General requirements
Rule 1301:7-7-04	Emergency planning and preparedness
Rule 1301:7-7-05	Fire service features
Rule 1301:7-7-06	Building services and systems
Rule 1301:7-7-07	Fire and smoke protection features
Rule 1301:7-7-08	Interior finish, Decorative materials and furnishings
Rule 1301:7-7-09	Fire protection and life safety systems
Rule 1301:7-7-10	Means of egress
Rule 1301:7-7-11	Construction requirements for existing buildings
Rule 1301:7-7-12	Energy systems (NEW)
Rules 1301:7-7-13 – Rule 1301:7-7-19 Reserved	
Rule 1301:7-7-20	Aviation facilities
Rule 1301:7-7-21	Dry cleaning
Rule 1301:7-7-22	Combustible dust-producing operations
Rule 1301:7-7-23	Motor fuel-dispensing facilities and repair garages
Rule 1301:7-7-24	Flammable finishes
Rule 1301:7-7-25	Fruit & crop ripening
Rule 1301:7-7-26	Fumigation and insecticidal fogging
Rule 1301:7-7-27	Semiconductor fabrication facilities
Rule 1301:7-7-28	Lumber yards and agro-industrial, solid biomass and woodworking facilities
Rule 1301:7-7-29	Manufacture of organic coatings
Rule 1301:7-7-30	Industrial ovens
Rule 1301:7-7-31	Tents, temporary special event structures and other membrane structures
Rule 1301:7-7-32	High-piled combustible storage
Rule 1301:7-7-33	Fire safety during construction and demolition
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Rule 1301:7-7-34
                   Tire rebuilding and tire storage
                   Welding and other hot work
Rule 1301:7-7-35
Rule 1301:7-7-36
                   Marinas
Rule 1301:7-7-37
                   Combustible fibers
                   Higher education laboratories (NEW)
Rule 1301:7-7-38
                   Plant processing and extraction facilities
Rule 1301:7-7-39
Rule 1301:7-7-40
                   Storage of distilled spirits and wines (NEW)
   Rule 1301:7-7-41 - Rule 1301:7-7-49 Reserved
Rule 1301:7-7-50
                   Hazardous materials – general provisions
Rule 1301:7-7-51
                   Aerosols
   Rule 1301:7-7-52 Reserved
Rule 1301:7-7-53
                   Compressed gases
Rule 1301:7-7-54
                   Corrosive materials
Rule 1301:7-7-55
                   Cryogenic fluids
Rule 1301:7-7-56
                   Explosives and fireworks
                   Flammable and combustible liquids
Rule 1301:7-7-57
                   Flammable gases and flammable cryogenic fluids
Rule 1301:7-7-58
Rule 1301:7-7-59
                   Flammable solids
Rule 1301:7-7-60
                   Highly toxic and toxic materials
Rule 1301:7-7-61
                   Liquefied petroleum gases
Rule 1301:7-7-62
                   Organic peroxides
                   Oxidizers, oxidizing gases and oxidizing cryogenic fluids
Rule 1301:7-7-63
Rule 1301:7-7-64
                   Pyrophoric materials (was Rule 41)
                   Pyroxylin (cellulose nitrate) plastics
Rule 1301:7-7-65
                   Unstable (reactive) materials
Rule 1301:7-7-66
Rule 1301:7-7-67
                   Water-reactive solids and liquids
   Rule 1301:7-7-68 - Rule 1301:7-7-79 Reserved
Rule 1301:7-7-80 Referenced standards
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The SFM proposes to adopt these rules to constitute the 2025 Ohio Fire Code. The proposed rules will set the minimum standards in this state for safeguarding life and property from fire and explosion and will relate to all matters of fire safety.

The full text of the proposed rules has been filed in electronic format with the Secretary of State, the Legislative Service Commission, the Joint Committee on Agency Rule Review, and the Department of Aging as required by Sections 119.03 and 173.01 of the Revised Code. The full text of the proposed rules is available at the following web site: www.registerofohio.state.oh.us.

Additional information concerning the hearing and the rules is also available prior to the hearing from the SFM's website (2025 Proposed Ohio Fire Code Update | Ohio Department of Commerce) or by contacting the SFM via email at OhioFireCode@com.ohio.gov or as follows:

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