

Florida Fire Prevention Code
9th Edition

**Phase 1
Public
Proposals**

Number	Proponent	Summary Impact	Staff Analysis	FFCAC Review Date	FFCAC Recommendation
P1-01	Tommy Demopoulos	NFPA 1: A.3.3.205.9 Mercantile Occupancy. Mercantile occupancies include the following: (1) Auction rooms (2) Department stores (3) Drugstores (4) Restaurants with fewer than 50 persons (5) Shopping Centers (6) Supermarkets	Reject: This provision could potentially provide for a lesser degree of safety as there are different provisions in business/mercantile occupancy chapters regarding different common path allowances, vertical opening protection, hazardous area protection, and specific single exit allowances for business occupancies in two story buildings. Additionally, mercantile chapter has guidance applicable to strip mall/mall structures subclassification and protection features not addressed in business occupancy chapters.	1/30/2025	Accept Proposal for consideration.
P1-02	Tommy Demopoulos	NFPA 1: 20.1.5.6.1 Assembly occupancies, <u>with an occupant loads of more than 99 persons</u> , shall be provided with a minimum of one trained crowd manager or crowd manager supervisor.	Reject: This proposal could potentially provide for a lesser degree of safety in some specific occupancies where the occupant load is not indicative of risk and crowd managers are a critical component, i.e. special amusement buildings.	1/30/2025	Reject proposal.
P1-03	Tommy Demopoulos	NFPA 101: 12.7.6.1/13.7.6.1: Assembly occupancies <u>with an occupant load of more than 99 persons</u> , shall be provided with a minimum of one trained crowd manager or crowd manager supervisor.	Reject: This proposal could potentially provide for a lesser degree of safety in some specific occupancies where the occupant load is not indicative of risk and crowd managers are a critical component, i.e. special amusement buildings.	1/30/2025	Reject proposal.
P1-04	Tommy Demopoulos	NFPA 101: <u>32.1.8 Secondary Power Supply. All new assisted living facilities shall provide an approved Emergency Power Supply System (EPSS), capable of keeping the living areas at a temperature no higher than 80 degrees F. Such installation shall be in accordance with Section 9.1.3 of this code and NFPA 70.</u> <u>32.1.8.1 Small facilities shall be exempt from complying with section 9.1.3.2.</u>	Reject: FAC 59A-36.025 indicates the local emergency management is the plan approver for assisted living HVAC emergency power requirements. AHCA is the approving authority and is also responsible for inspection and enforcement of assisted living HVAC emergency power requirements. The Florida Building Code (Mechanical) is the standard for HVAC and related installations. Though the SFM is cited in the rule as an "assisting" agency, neither the SFM or the local fire jurisdiction is indicated by rule or statute as having enforcement authority for assisted living HVAC emergency power requirements.	1/30/2025	Accept Proposal for consideration.
P1-05	Tommy Demopoulos	NFPA 101: A.3.3.205.3 Business Occupancy. Business occupancies include the following: (1) Airport traffic control towers (ATCTs) (2) City halls (3) College and university instructional buildings, classroom under 50 persons, and instructional laboratories. (4) Courthouses (5) Dentists' offices (6) Doctors' offices (7) General offices (8) Outpatient clinics (ambulatory) (9) Town halls (10) <u>Restaurants with fewer than 50 persons</u>	Reject: This provision could potentially provide for a lesser degree of safety as there are different provisions in business/mercantile occupancy chapters regarding different common path allowances, vertical opening protection, hazardous area protection, and specific single exit allowances for business occupancies in two story buildings. Additionally, mercantile chapter has guidance applicable to strip mall/mall structures subclassification and protection features not addressed in business occupancy chapters.	1/30/2025	Accept Proposal for consideration.

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P1-07	Tommy Demopoulos	NFPA 101: 15.2.2.2.2 Any required exit door subject to use by 100 <u>50</u> or more persons shall be permitted to be provided with a latch or lock only if the latch or lock is panic hardware or fire exit hardware complying with 7.2.1.7.	Accept: Must ensure all applicable chapters reflect changes. NFPA 101: 12,14,16.	1/30/2025	Proposal withdrawn at request of propopent.
P1-08	Tommy Demopoulos	NFPA 101: A.3.3.205.9 Mercantile Occupancy. Mercantile occupancies include the following: (1) Auction rooms (2) Department stores (3) Drugstores (4) Restaurants with fewer than 50 persons (5) Shopping Centers (6) Supermarkets	Reject: This provision could potentially provide for a lesser degree of safety as there are different provisions in business/mercantile occupancy chapters regarding different common path allowances, vertical opening protection, hazardous area protection, and specific single exit allowances for business occupancies in two story buildings. Additionally, mercantile chapter has guidance applicable to strip mall/mall structures subclassification and protection features not addressed in business occupancy chapters.	1/30/2025	Accept Proposal for consideration.
P1-09	Tommy Demopoulos	NFPA 101: Table 7.3.1.2 Mercantile Use sq ft per person m2 per person Sales area on street floor 30-60 2-8 5-6 Sales area on two or more street floors 40-2-7 Sales area on floor below street floor 30-2-8 Sales area on floors above street floor 60-5-6	Reject: The associated occupant load factor is utilized to calculate minimum egress capacity. Raising this number will lower the required means of egress capacity(width, number of exits, etc) which will weaken the Code.	1/30/2025	Accept Proposal for consideration.
P1-10	Tommy Demopoulos	NFPA 101: 11.7.3.1.2(2)(b) and (c)Multiple-Story Structures. Multi-story structures shall comply with the following: (1) The story at the finished ground level shall comply with 11.7.3.1.1. (2) Other stories shall be provided with emergency access openings in accordance with 11.7.3.2 and all of the following: (a)* The openings are provided on a minimum of two sides of the story and are distributed on at least 50 percent of the perimeter of the story. (b) The openings are spaced not more <u>less</u> than 30 ft (9.1 m) apart. (c) For other than approved existing installations, the distance between each <u>emergency access door shall be located as remote as possible from each other, located on a street side or side with a stabilized roadway and approved by the AHJ, end of the applicable building exterior walls and an emergency access opening does not exceed 15 ft (4.6 m) or the distance from an access opening on one wall, and the nearest access opening on an adjacent wall does not exceed 30 ft (9.1 m).</u>	Reject: This proposal will lower the number of emergency access openings required in Code.	1/30/2025	Proposal withdrawn at request of propopent.
P1-11	Tommy Demopoulos	NFPA 101: 14.2.2.2.2 Any door in a required means of egress from an area having an occupant load of 100 <u>50</u> or more persons shall be permitted to be provided with a latch or lock only if the latch or lock is panic hardware or fire exit hardware complying with 7.2.1.7.	Approve: Must ensure all applicable chapters reflect changes. NFPA 101: 12,13,14,15,16,17.	1/30/2025	Accept Proposal for consideration.

P1-12	Tommy Demopoulos	Any door in a required means of egress from an area having an occupant load of 400 50 or more persons shall be permitted to be provided with a latch or lock only if the latch or lock is panic hardware or fire exit hardware complying with 7.2.1.7, unless otherwise permitted by one of the following: (1) This requirement shall not apply to delayed-egress electrical locking systems as permitted in 12.2.2.2.5. (2) This requirement shall not apply to sensor-release of electrical locking systems as permitted in 12.2.2.2.6.	Approve: Must ensure all applicable chapters reflect changes. NFPA 101: 12,13,14,15,16,17.	1/30/2025	Accept Proposal for consideration, limit to new occupancy chapters.
P1-13	Tommy Demopoulos	NFPA 1: 50.8.8.1.1 <u>All LP-Gas Systems shall be provided with a quarter-turn valve, installed within the LP-Gas piping for emergency shut-off use and shall be installed on the exterior of the vehicle.</u>	Reject/Overlap: NFPA 1: 50.8.8.1.1 LP-Gas cylinders shall be secured so that the relief valve is in communication with the vapor space of the cylinder. Note: this proposal requires clarification from the proponent regarding intent with existing language. Additionally, may be more appropriate to incorporate proposal into Mobile Food Dispensing Vehicles Rule.	1/30/2025	Accept Proposal for consideration.
P1-14	Tommy Demopoulos	NFPA 1: 50.8.8.1.2 Where a shutoff valve is provided, it shall <u>shall be readily accessible and identified with a sign permanently affixed to the exterior of the vehicle, in the area immediately adjacent to the valve, in reflective decal material with letters a minimum of 2 in. (50 mm) high. Such sign shall state "EMERGENCY PROPANE SHUT-OFF".</u>	Accept: May be more appropriate for proposal to be incorporated into Mobile Food Dispensing Vehicles Rule.	1/30/2025	Accept Proposal for consideration.
P1-15	Tommy Demopoulos	NFPA 1: A.13.3.2.26 Woodworking Operations <u>The 2500 sq ft shall be inclusive of the entire space, including the tools and associated equipment utilized in the woodworking operations and any other area not separated by a permanent, physical separation such as a wall. This separation shall completely prevent the migration of finely divided combustible wood particles, waste or materials from migrating beyond the 2500 sq ft woodworking area.</u>	Provide context of petition per proponent rationale.	1/30/2025	Accept Proposal for consideration.
P1-16	Tommy Demopoulos	13.3.2.26* An approved automatic fire sprinkler system shall be installed in buildings containing woodworking operations exceeding 2500 ft ² (232 m ²) that use equipment, machinery, or appliances; that generate finely divided combustible waste; or that use finely divided combustible materials.	Provide context of petition per proponent rationale.	1/30/2025	Accept Proposal for consideration.
P1-17	Carsten Jonas	NFPA 101, section 7.10.3.2: Replace as follows. Where approved by the authority having jurisdiction, pictograms in compliance with NFPA 170 shall be permitted. <u>In lieu of or in addition to compliance with 7.10.3.1, exit signs may use the pictogram for an emergency exit as specified in NFPA 170.</u>	Reject: This provision is already allowed in Code. Authorities have ability to accept/approve pictograms at their discretion.	1/30/2025	Reject proposal.