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# **CODE CHANGE PROPOSAL FORM**

(Must be submitted electronically)

Date: January 29, 2025

Model Code: 2024 IMC

Telephone number: 651-284-5510 Code or Rule Section: 1210.1		1			
Firm/A	Firm/Association affiliation, if any: DLI				
Code	or rule section to be changed: 1210.1.1				
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Scoping: MR 1346.1210.1: This section applies to all piping inside a building. In addition to the piping inside a building, this section also applies to exterior piping when all piping in the system is located 15 feet or less from the ground surface. Minnesota Department of Health regulates systems greater than 15 feet in depth, per Minnesota Rules Chapter 4725.7050 and 4725.7075

1210.1.1 Ground-source heat pump loop water piping. Ground-source heat pump ground-loop piping and tubing material for water-based systems shall conform to the standards cited in this section.

4. Will this proposed code change impact other sections of a model code book or an amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, please list the affected sections or rule parts.

### **Need and Reason**

- Why is the proposed code change needed? Please provide a general explanation as well as a specific explanation for any changes to numerical values (heights, area, etc.)
   MDH has rules that govern ground source geothermal systems over 15 feet in depth. The IMC does not have any scoping.
- Why is the proposed code change a reasonable solution?
   This CCP will give the mechanical contractor and designers guidance on what is under the IMC jurisdiction.
- 3. What other factors should the TAG consider?

### **Cost/Benefit Analysis**

- Will the proposed code change increase or decrease costs? Please explain and provide estimates if possible.
   No change
- 2. If there is an increased cost, will this cost be offset by a safety or other benefit? Please explain. If the benefit is quantifiable (for example energy savings), provide an estimate if possible.
- 3. If there is a cost increase, who will bear the costs? This can include government units, businesses, and individuals.
- 4. Are there any enforcement or compliance cost increases or decreases with the proposed code change? Please explain.
- 5. Will the cost of complying with the proposed code change in the first year after the rule takes effect exceed \$25,000 for any one small business or small city (Minn. Stat. § 14.127)? A small business is any business that has less than 50 full-time employees. A small city is any statutory or home rule charter city that has less than ten full-time employees. Please explain.

1.	What parties or segments of industry are affected by this proposed code change?
2.	Can you think of other means or methods to achieve the purpose of the proposed code change? What might someone opposed to this code change suggest instead? Please explain what the alternatives are and why your proposed change is the preferred method or means to achieve the desired result.
3.	What are the probable costs or consequences of not adopting the code change, including those costs or consequences borne by identifiable categories of affected parties, such as separate classes of government units, businesses, or individuals?
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Date: 2/5/2025

Email	address: Chris.rosival@state.mn.us	Model Code: 2024 IN	1C			
Telepi	none number: 651-284-5510	Code or Rule Section	า: IFGC	929		
Firm/A	ssociation affiliation, if any: DLI					
Code	Code or rule section to be changed: IFGC 929.1					
Intend	led for Technical Advisory Group ("TAG"):					
Gener	al Information		Yes	<u>No</u>		
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- 3. Provide *specific* language you would like to see changed. Indicate proposed new words with <u>underlining</u> and <u>strikethrough</u> words proposed for deletion. Include the entire code (sub) section or rule subpart that contains your proposed changes.
  - SECTION 929—UNVENTED ALCOHOL FUEL-BURNING DECORATIVE APPLIANCES 929.1 General. Unvented alcohol fuel-burning decorative appliances shall be listed and labeled in accordance with UL 1370 and shall be installed in accordance with the conditions of the listing, manufacturer's installation instructions and Chapter 3. Unvented alcohol fuel-burning decorative appliances shall not be installed in any dwelling or occupancy.
- 4. Will this proposed code change impact other sections of a model code book or an amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, please list the affected sections or rule parts.

## **Need and Reason**

- 1. Why is the proposed code change needed? Please provide a general explanation as well as a specific explanation for any changes to numerical values (heights, area, etc.)
  - Minnesota has had this amendment in 1346 for quite a few code cycles. Our homes are built too tight to allow unvented appliances.
- 2. Why is the proposed code change a reasonable solution?
  - To protect the safety of Minnesota IRC occupants
- 3. What other factors should the TAG consider?

### **Cost/Benefit Analysis**

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1. What parties or segments of industry are affected by this proposed code change?

Homeowners, mechanical contractors and HVAC manufacturers

- Can you think of other means or methods to achieve the purpose of the proposed code change?
   What might someone opposed to this code change suggest instead? Please explain what the
   alternatives are and why your proposed change is the preferred method or means to achieve the
   desired result.
- 3. What are the probable costs or consequences of not adopting the code change, including those costs or consequences borne by identifiable categories of affected parties, such as separate classes of government units, businesses, or individuals?

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Firm/A	ssociation affiliation, if any: DLI			
Code	or rule section to be changed: R202			
Intena	ed for Technical Advisory Group ("TAG"):			
Gener	al Information		Yes	<u>No</u>
<ul> <li>A. Is the proposed change unique to the State of Minnesota?</li> <li>B. Is the proposed change required due to climatic conditions of Minnesota?</li> <li>C. Will the proposed change encourage more uniform enforcement?</li> <li>D. Will the proposed change remedy a problem?</li> <li>E. Does the proposal delete a current Minnesota Rule, chapter amendment?</li> <li>F. Would this proposed change be appropriate through the ICC code development process?</li> </ul>				
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SECTION 202—GENERAL DEFINITIONS

[MP] BALANCED VENTILATION SYSTEM. A ventilation system that simultaneously supplies outdoor air to and exhausts air from a space, where the mechanical supply airflow rate and the mechanical exhaust airflow rate are within 10 percent of the average of the design two-airflow rates tested and verified as required in N1103.6.3. For the definition applicable in Chapter 11, see Section N1101.6.

4. Will this proposed code change impact other sections of a model code book or an amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, please list the affected sections or rule parts.

### **Need and Reason**

- Why is the proposed code change needed? Please provide a general explanation as well as a specific explanation for any changes to numerical values (heights, area, etc.)
   The 2024 IMC has the language proposed in the definitions. Adding the word "each" will clarify the intake and exhaust must be within 10% of the designed airflow rate.
- 2. Why is the proposed code change a reasonable solution?
  This will provide clarity to a definition that could be hard to interpret.
- 3. What other factors should the TAG consider?

### **Cost/Benefit Analysis**

- Will the proposed code change increase or decrease costs? Please explain and provide estimates if possible.
  - No change as the ventilation must be balanced
- 2. If there is an increased cost, will this cost be offset by a safety or other benefit? Please explain. If the benefit is quantifiable (for example energy savings), provide an estimate if possible.
- 3. If there is a cost increase, who will bear the costs? This can include government units, businesses, and individuals.
- 4. Are there any enforcement or compliance cost increases or decreases with the proposed code change? Please explain.
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- What parties or segments of industry are affected by this proposed code change?
   HVAC installers
- Can you think of other means or methods to achieve the purpose of the proposed code change?
   What might someone opposed to this code change suggest instead? Please explain what the
   alternatives are and why your proposed change is the preferred method or means to achieve the
   desired result.
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Date: 01/24/2025

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Telepi	none number: 651-284-5510	Code or Rule Section	: M150	3.6	
Firm/A	ssociation affiliation, if any: DLI				
Code	or rule section to be changed: M1503.6				
Intena	ed for Technical Advisory Group ("TAG"):				
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M1503.6 Makeup air required. Where one or more gas, liquid or solid fuel-burning appliances that is neither not direct-vent nor uses a mechanical draft venting system is located within a dwelling unit's air barrier, each exhaust system capable of exhausting in excess of 400 cubic feet per minute (0.19 m³/s) shall have makeup air complying with all of the following:

- 1. Makeup air shall be mechanically provided.
- 2. Makeup air shall be electrically interlocked with the kitchen exhaust system.
- 3. or passively provided t-Makeup air shall be provided at a rate approximately equal to the exhaust air rate.
- <u>4. Makeup air system</u> shall be equipped with not fewer than one outdoor air duct and <u>a</u> damper complying with Section M1503.6.2.
- 5. Makeup air shall be designed and installed to temper incoming air to not less than 40°F (4°C) measured at the point of distribution into the space.

**Exception:** Makeup air is not required for exhaust systems installed for the exclusive purpose of space cooling and intended to be operated only when windows or other air inlets are open.

M1503.6.1 Location. *Kitchen* exhaust makeup air that is ducted from the outdoors shall be discharged into the same room in which the exhaust system is located or into rooms or duct systems that communicates through one or more permanent openings with the room in which such exhaust system is located. Such permanent openings shall have a net cross-sectional area not less than the required area of the makeup air supply openings.

M1503.6.2 Makeup air dampers. Where makeup air is required by Section M1503.6, makeup air dampers shall comply with this section. Each damper shall be a gravity damper or an electrically operated damper that automatically opens when the exhaust system operates. Dampers shall be located to allow access for inspection, service, repair and replacement without removing permanent construction or any other ducts not connected to the damper being inspected, serviced, repaired or replaced. Gravity or barometric dampers shall not be used in passive makeup air systems except where the dampers are rated to provide the design makeup airflow at a pressure differential of 0.01 in. w.c. (3 Pa) or less.

4. Will this proposed code change impact other sections of a model code book or an amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, please list the affected sections or rule parts.

## Need and Reason

- Why is the proposed code change needed? Please provide a general explanation as well as a specific explanation for any changes to numerical values (heights, area, etc.)
   The 2020 IMC has language in Section 501 that will not be pulled forward. These changes address a possible negative pressure situation.
- 2. Why is the proposed code change a reasonable solution? MUA is needed for excessive negative pressure.
- 3. What other factors should the TAG consider?

### Cost/Benefit Analysis

1. Will the proposed code change increase or decrease costs? Please explain and provide estimates if possible.

Tempering of MUA was required in the residential energy code. Decreasing as homes with direct vent appliances will not be required to provide MUA as was required in the 2020.

- 2. If there is an increased cost, will this cost be offset by a safety or other benefit? Please explain. If the benefit is quantifiable (for example energy savings), provide an estimate if possible.
- 3. If there is a cost increase, who will bear the costs? This can include government units, businesses, and individuals.
- 4. Are there any enforcement or compliance cost increases or decreases with the proposed code change? Please explain.
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- 1. What parties or segments of industry are affected by this proposed code change? Installers, builders and homeowners
- Can you think of other means or methods to achieve the purpose of the proposed code change?
   What might someone opposed to this code change suggest instead? Please explain what the
   alternatives are and why your proposed change is the preferred method or means to achieve the
   desired result.
- 3. What are the probable costs or consequences of not adopting the code change, including those costs or consequences borne by identifiable categories of affected parties, such as separate classes of government units, businesses, or individuals?
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Telepi	hone number: 651-284-5510	Code or Rule Section	ı: IRC N	//1602.1
Firm/A	Association affiliation, if any: DLI			
Code	or rule section to be changed: IRC M1602.1			
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  - M1602.1 Outdoor air openings. Outdoor intake openings shall be located in accordance with Section R325.5.1. Opening protection shall be in accordance with Section R325.6-3
- 4. Will this proposed code change impact other sections of a model code book or an amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, please list the affected sections or rule parts.

## **Need and Reason**

- 1. Why is the proposed code change needed? Please provide a general explanation as well as a specific explanation for any changes to numerical values (heights, area, etc.)
  - Mike Moore's CCP to IRC Section 325 changed the section number referred to in M1602.1. Also, the model code had a misprint as the section M1602.1 actually referred to is R325.6-Interior stairway illumination.
- 2. Why is the proposed code change a reasonable solution?
  - Better direction to follow code path
- 3. What other factors should the TAG consider?

## **Cost/Benefit Analysis**

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- 1. What parties or segments of industry are affected by this proposed code change?
  - Homeowners, mechanical contractors and HVAC manufacturers, building officials and inspectors, mechanical inspectors.
- Can you think of other means or methods to achieve the purpose of the proposed code change?
   What might someone opposed to this code change suggest instead? Please explain what the
   alternatives are and why your proposed change is the preferred method or means to achieve the
   desired result.
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# **CODE CHANGE PROPOSAL FORM**

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Date: January 29, 2025

Model Code: 2024 IRC

Telepl	none number: 651-284-5510	Code or Rule Section	: 2105.	1	
Firm/A	ssociation affiliation, if any: DLI				
Code	or rule section to be changed: 2105.1				
Intena	ed for Technical Advisory Group ("TAG"):				
Gener	General Information			<u>No</u>	
B. C. D. E.	Is the proposed change unique to the State of Minnesota? Is the proposed change required due to climatic conditions Will the proposed change encourage more uniform enforce Will the proposed change remedy a problem?  Does the proposal delete a current Minnesota Rule, chapte Would this proposed change be appropriate through the IC development process?	ment? r amendment?			
Proposed Language  1. The proposed code change is meant to:					
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Scoping: MR 1309.2105.1: This section applies to all piping inside a building. In addition to the piping inside a building, this section also applies to exterior piping when all piping in the system is located 15 feet or less from the ground surface. Minnesota Department of Health regulates systems greater than 15 feet in depth, per Minnesota Rules Chapter 4725.7050 and 4725.7075

M2105.1.1 Plastic ground-source heat-pump loop piping. Plastic piping and tubing material used in water-based ground-source heat-pump ground-loop systems shall conform to the standards specified in this section.

4. Will this proposed code change impact other sections of a model code book or an amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, please list the affected sections or rule parts.

## **Need and Reason**

- Why is the proposed code change needed? Please provide a general explanation as well as a specific explanation for any changes to numerical values (heights, area, etc.)
   MDH has rules that govern ground source geothermal systems over 15 feet in depth. The IRC does not have any scoping.
- Why is the proposed code change a reasonable solution?
   This CCP will give the mechanical contractor and designers guidance on what is under the IRC jurisdiction.
- 3. What other factors should the TAG consider?

## **Cost/Benefit Analysis**

- Will the proposed code change increase or decrease costs? Please explain and provide estimates if possible.
   No change
- 2. If there is an increased cost, will this cost be offset by a safety or other benefit? Please explain. If the benefit is quantifiable (for example energy savings), provide an estimate if possible.
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Author/requestor: Brian Stemwedel

# **CODE CHANGE PROPOSAL FORM**

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Date: 2/01/2025

Email	address: Bstemwedel@goldenvalleymn.gov	Model Code	IRC (F	uel Gas)	
Telephone number: (612)275-1436 Code or Rule Section: G2401.1					
Firm/A	Firm/Association affiliation, if any: AMBO  Topic of proposal: Scope of FG Code			FG Code	
	Code or rule section to be changed: Residential Fuel Gas Code 32401.1				
Intend	ed for Technical Advisory Group ("TAG"):				
Gener	al Information		Yes	<u>No</u>	
B. C. D. E.	Is the proposed change unique to the State of Min. Is the proposed change required due to climatic co. Will the proposed change encourage more uniform Will the proposed change remedy a problem?  Does the proposal delete a current Minnesota Rule Would this proposed change be appropriate through development process?	onditions of Minnesota? n enforcement? e, chapter amendment?			
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2. Is this proposed code change required by Minnesota Statute? If so, please provide the citation.

# Section G2401<del>(101)—GENERAL</del> <u>SCOPE AND APPLICATION</u> G2401.1 Scope.

This chapter shall govern the approval and installation of all equipment and appliances that comprise parts of the installations regulated by this code in accordance with MR 1309. Temporary LP appliances and equipment connected to an LP gas container with a capacity greater than 100 pounds shall comply with MR 1309. All temporary LP or natural gas appliances must be listed and labeled, be installed in accordance with the terms of the listing, and have combustion air provided from the outdoors sized in accordance with Section G2407 or as required in the manufacturer installation instructions.

# **G2401.2 Liquefied petroleum gas storage.**

The storage system for liquefied petroleum gas shall be designed and installed in accordance with the International Fire Code and NFPA 58. For the purposes of MN Rules 1309, LP gas containers shall not be connected to a common manifold when the temporary LP gas appliances and equipment are connected to LP gas containers with a capacity greater than 100 pounds. When multiple appliances and equipment used for temporary heat are connected to multiple LP gas containers in any occupancy, the combined capacity of the LP gas containers must not exceed 100 pounds.

# G2401.3 (101.2) Application.

This chapter covers those fuel gas piping systems, fuel-gas appliances and related accessories, venting systems and combustion air configurations most commonly encountered in the construction of one- and two-family dwellings and structures regulated by this code.

Coverage of piping systems shall extend from the point of delivery to the outlet of the appliance shutoff valves (see definition of "Point of delivery"). Piping systems requirements shall include design, materials, components, fabrication, assembly, installation, testing, inspection, operation and maintenance. Requirements for gas appliances and related accessories shall include installation, combustion and ventilation air and venting and connections to piping systems.

The omission from this chapter of any material or method of installation provided for in the International Fuel Gas Code shall not be construed as prohibiting the use of such material or method of installation. Fuel-gas piping systems, fuel-gas appliances and related accessories, venting systems and combustion air configurations not specifically covered in these chapters shall comply with the applicable provisions of the International Fuel Gas Code. Gaseous hydrogen systems shall be regulated by Chapter 7 of the International Fuel Gas Code. This chapter shall not apply to the following:

- 1. Liquefied natural gas (LNG) installations.
- 2. Temporary LP-gas *piping* for *buildings* under construction or renovation that is not to become part of the permanent piping system.
- <u>2.</u> Except as provided in Section G2412.1.1, gas *piping*, *meters*, gas *pressure regulators*, and other appurtenances used by the serving gas supplier in the distribution of gas, other than undiluted *LP-gas*.
- 3. Portable *LP-gas appliances* and equipment of all types that is not connected to a fixed fuel *piping system* LP gas containers with a capacity of 100 pounds or less.

- 4. Portable fuel cell *appliances* that are neither connected to a fixed *piping system* nor interconnected to a power grid.
- 5.Installation of hydrogen gas, *LP-gas* and compressed natural gas (CNG) systems on vehicles.
- Will this proposed code change impact other sections of a model code book or an amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, please list the affected sections or rule parts.

### **Need and Reason**

- Why is the proposed code change needed? Please provide a general explanation as well as a specific explanation for any changes to numerical values (heights, area, etc.)
   This proposal will provide a safer work environment. Temporary LP gas should not be exempt from meeting code requirements. Worker safety is a very important. A non-code compliant temporary LP gas line and unlisted appliance could create hazardous situations.
- 2. Why is the proposed code change a reasonable solution?
  This change is as easy way to verify temporary LP gas piping is installed safely.
- 3. What other factors should TAG consider?

  Previous incidents could have been avoided if temporary LP gas piping systems, and listed gas appliances, were required to be installed per code and inspected.

# **Cost/Benefit Analysis**

- 1. Will the proposed code change increase or decrease costs? Please explain and provide estimates if possible.
  - The proposal will have cost increases to contractors, jurisdictions and builders because of the requirements the piping be approved
- 2. If there is an increased cost, will this cost be offset by a safety or other benefit? Please explain. If the benefit is quantifiable (for example energy savings), provide an estimate if possible.

  The increased cost will be offset by worker safety. One accident will cost way more than the increased fees needed code compliant temporary LP gas installation
- 3. If there is a cost increase, who will bear the costs? This can include government units, businesses, and individuals.
  - The building owners will bear the cost for this increase.
- 4. Are there any enforcement or compliance cost increases or decreases with the proposed code change? Please explain. NO
- 5. Will the cost of complying with the proposed code change in the first year after the rule takes effect exceed \$25,000 for any one small business or small city (Minn. Stat. § 14.127)? A small business is any business that has less than 50 full-time employees. A small city is any statutory or home rule charter city that has less than ten full-time employees. Please explain.
  No

## Regulatory Analysis

1. What parties or segments of the industry are affected by this proposed code change? Contractors, Code Officials, Designers, installers

- 2. Can you think of other means or methods to achieve the purpose of the proposed code change? What might someone opposed to this code change suggest instead? Please explain what the alternatives are and why your proposed change is the preferred method or means to achieve the desired result.
- 3. What are the probable costs or consequences of not adopting the code change, including those costs or consequences borne by identifiable categories of affected parties, such as separate classes of government units, businesses, or individuals?
- 4. Are you aware of any federal or state regulation or requirement related to this proposed code change? If so, please list the federal or state regulation or requirement and your assessment of any differences between the proposed code change and the federal regulation or requirement.
  N/A

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# **CODE CHANGE PROPOSAL FORM**

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Code	or rule section to be changed: IRC G2403 General definition	ns			
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SECTION G2403 (202)—GENERAL DEFINITIONS CODE. These regulations, subsequent amendments thereto, or any e

CODE. These regulations, subsequent amendments thereto, or any emergency rule or regulation that the administrative authority having jurisdiction has lawfully adopted. For purposes of this chapter, "the code" or "this code" means the Minnesota Residential Code, Minnesota Rules, Chapter 1309.

4. Will this proposed code change impact other sections of a model code book or an amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, please list the affected sections or rule parts.

## **Need and Reason**

1. Why is the proposed code change needed? Please provide a general explanation as well as a specific explanation for any changes to numerical values (heights, area, etc.)

The definition "code" has this language in the IRC and similar language in all the Minnesota Building Codes.

2. Why is the proposed code change a reasonable solution?

Need to follow all other codes for uniformity.

3. What other factors should the TAG consider?

### **Cost/Benefit Analysis**

- 1. Will the proposed code change increase or decrease costs? Please explain and provide estimates if possible.
- 2. If there is an increased cost, will this cost be offset by a safety or other benefit? Please explain. If the benefit is quantifiable (for example energy savings), provide an estimate if possible.
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- 1. What parties or segments of industry are affected by this proposed code change?
  - Homeowners, mechanical contractors and HVAC manufacturers, building officials and inspectors, mechanical inspectors.
- 2. Can you think of other means or methods to achieve the purpose of the proposed code change? What might someone opposed to this code change suggest instead? Please explain what the alternatives are and why your proposed change is the preferred method or means to achieve the desired result.
- 3. What are the probable costs or consequences of not adopting the code change, including those costs or consequences borne by identifiable categories of affected parties, such as separate classes of government units, businesses, or individuals?
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SECTION G2403 (202)—GENERAL DEFINITIONS

APPROVED. Acceptable to the code official. "Approved" means approval by the building official, pursuant to the Minnesota State Building Code, by reason of: inspection, investigation, or testing; accepted principles; computer simulations; research reports; or testing performed by either a licensed engineer or by a locally or nationally recognized testing laboratory.

4. Will this proposed code change impact other sections of a model code book or an amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, please list the affected sections or rule parts.

## Need and Reason

1. Why is the proposed code change needed? Please provide a general explanation as well as a specific explanation for any changes to numerical values (heights, area, etc.)

The definition "approved" has this language in the IMC, the IFGC and similar language in all the other codes.

2. Why is the proposed code change a reasonable solution?

Need to follow all other codes for uniformity.

3. What other factors should the TAG consider?

### **Cost/Benefit Analysis**

- 1. Will the proposed code change increase or decrease costs? Please explain and provide estimates if possible.
- 2. If there is an increased cost, will this cost be offset by a safety or other benefit? Please explain. If the benefit is quantifiable (for example energy savings), provide an estimate if possible.
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- 1. What parties or segments of industry are affected by this proposed code change?
  - Homeowners, mechanical contractors and HVAC manufacturers, building officials and inspectors, mechanical inspectors.
- 2. Can you think of other means or methods to achieve the purpose of the proposed code change? What might someone opposed to this code change suggest instead? Please explain what the alternatives are and why your proposed change is the preferred method or means to achieve the desired result.
- 3. What are the probable costs or consequences of not adopting the code change, including those costs or consequences borne by identifiable categories of affected parties, such as separate classes of government units, businesses, or individuals?
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Telephone number: 651-284-5510 Code or Rule Section: G2406		6			
Firm/A	Firm/Association affiliation, if any: DLI				
Code	or rule section to be changed: G2406.2				
Intena	ed for Technical Advisory Group ("TAG"):				
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- 3. Provide *specific* language you would like to see changed. Indicate proposed new words with <u>underlining</u> and <u>strikethrough</u> words proposed for deletion. Include the entire code (sub) section or rule subpart that contains your proposed changes.
  - **G2406.2 (303.3) Prohibited locations.** *Appliances* shall not be located in sleeping rooms, bathrooms, toilet rooms, storage *closets* or surgical rooms, or in a space that opens only into such rooms or spaces, except where the installation complies with one of the following:
  - 1. The *appliance* is a *direct-vent appliance* installed in accordance with the conditions of the listing and the manufacturer's instructions.
  - 2. Vented room heaters, wall furnaces, vented decorative appliances, vented gas fireplaces, vented gas fireplace heaters and decorative appliances for installation in vented solid fuel burning fireplaces are installed in rooms that meet the required volume criteria of **Section G2407.5**.
  - 3. <u>Deleted</u> A single wall-mounted unvented room heater is installed in a bathroom and such unvented
  - room heater is equipped as specified in **Section G2445.6** and has an input rating not greater than 6,000 *Btul*h (1.76 kW). The bathroom shall meet the required volume criteria of **Section G2407.5**.
  - 4. <u>Deleted A single wall-mounted unvented room heater is installed in a bedroom and such unvented</u>
  - room heater is equipped as specified in **Section G2445.6** and has an input rating not greater than 10,000 *Btul*h (2.93 kW). The bedroom shall meet the required volume criteria of **Section G2407.5**.
  - 5. The *appliance* is installed in a room or space that opens only into a bedroom or bathroom, and such room or space is used for no other purpose and is provided with a solid weather stripped door equipped with an *approved* self-closing device. *Combustion air* shall be taken directly from the outdoors in accordance with **Section G2407.6**.
  - 6. A *clothes dryer* is installed in a residential bathroom or toilet room having a permanent opening with an area of not less than 100 square inches (0.06 m2) that communicates with a space outside of a sleeping room, bathroom, toilet room or storage *closet*.
- 4. Will this proposed code change impact other sections of a model code book or an amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, please list the affected sections or rule parts.

### **Need and Reason**

- 1. Why is the proposed code change needed? Please provide a general explanation as well as a specific explanation for any changes to numerical values (heights, area, etc.)

  Minnesota has had this amendment in 1346 for quite a few code cycles. Our homes are built too tight to allow unvented appliances.
- 2. Why is the proposed code change a reasonable solution? To protect the safety of Minnesota IRC occupants
- 3. What other factors should the TAG consider?

### **Cost/Benefit Analysis**

1. Will the proposed code change increase or decrease costs? Please explain and provide estimates if possible.

- 2. If there is an increased cost, will this cost be offset by a safety or other benefit? Please explain. If the benefit is quantifiable (for example energy savings), provide an estimate if possible.
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- 1. What parties or segments of industry are affected by this proposed code change? Homeowners, mechanical contractors and HVAC manufacturers
- Can you think of other means or methods to achieve the purpose of the proposed code change?
   What might someone opposed to this code change suggest instead? Please explain what the
   alternatives are and why your proposed change is the preferred method or means to achieve the
   desired result.
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- 4. Are you aware of any federal or state regulation or requirement related to this proposed code change? If so, please list the federal or state regulation or requirement and your assessment of any differences between the proposed code change and the federal regulation or requirement.

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Telepi	Telephone number: 612 867 3145 Code or Rule Section: G2407 Combustion Air						
Firm/A	Firm/Association affiliation, if any: ACEC						
Code	or rule section to be changed: Section G2407-Comb	oustion, Ventilation and Dilu	tion Air				
Intena	ed for Technical Advisory Group ("TAG"): 1346 Med	chanical and Fuel Gas Code	)				
Gener	al Information		Yes	<u>No</u>			
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2.	Is this proposed code change required by Minnesota Statute? If so, please provide the citation.						

## SECTION G2407 (304) (IRC)—COMBUSTION, VENTILATION AND DILUTION AIR

**G2407.1 (304.1) General.** G2407.2 through G2407.12 describe requirements for combustion, ventilation and dilution air. Where chemicals that generate corresive or flammable products such as aerosol sprays are routinely used, one of the following shall apply to fired appliances where these chemicals can enter combustion air:

- 1. Fired appliances shall be located in a mechanical room separate or partitioned off from other areas with provisions for combustion and dilution air from outdoors.
- 2. The appliances shall be direct vent and installed in accordance with the appliance manufacturer's installation instructions.

**G2407.2 (304.2) Appliance location.** *Appliances* shall be located so as not to interfere with proper circulation of combustion, ventilation and dilution air.

**G2407.3 (304.3) Draft hood/regulator location.** Where used, a draft hood or a barometric draft regulator shall be installed in the same room or enclosure as the *appliance* served to prevent any difference in pressure between the hood or regulator and the *combustion air* supply.

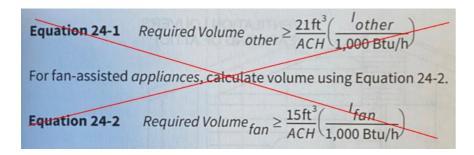
**G2407.4 (304.4) Makeup air provisions.** Where exhaust fans, clothes dryers and kitchen ventilation systems interfere with the operation of *appliances*, makeup air shall be provided.

**G2407.5** (304.5) Indoor combustion air. The required volume shall be determined in accordance with Section G2407.5.1 or G2407.5.2, except that where the air infiltration rate is known to be less than 0.40 air changes per hour (ACH), Section G2407.5.2 shall be used. The total required volume shall be the sum of the required volume calculated for all appliances located within the space. Rooms communicating directly with the space in which the appliances are installed through openings not furnished with doors, and through combustion air openings sized and located in accordance with Section G2407.5.3, are considered to be part of the required volume.

**G2407.5.1 (304.5.1 )Standard method.** The minimum required volume shall be 50 cubic feet per 1,000 Btu/h (4.8 m3/kW) of the *appliance* input rating.

**G2407.5.2 (304.5.2) Known air-infiltration-rate method.** Where the air infiltration rate of a structure is known, the minimum required volume shall be determined as follows:

For appliances other than fan-assisted, calculate volume using Equation 24-1.



#### where:

I<sub>other</sub> = All appliances other than fan assisted (input in Btu/h).

Ifan = Fan-assisted appliance (input in Btu/h).

ACH = Air change per hour (percent of volume of space exchanged per hour, expressed as a decimal). For purposes of this calculation, an infiltration rate greater than 0.60 ACH shall not be used in Equations 24-1 and 24-2.

**G2407.5.3** (304.5.3) Indoor opening size and location. Openings used to connect indoor spaces shall be sized and located in accordance with Sections G2407.5.3 and G2407.5.3.2 (see Figure G2407.5.3). **G2407.5.3.1** (304.5.3.1) Combining spaces on the same story. Where combining spaces on the same story, each opening shall have a minimum free area of 1 square inch per 1,000 Btu/h (2200 mm2/kW) of the total input rating of all *appliances* in the space, but not less than 100 square inches (0.06 m2). One permanent opening shall commence within 12 inches (305 mm) of the top and one permanent opening shall commence within 12 inches (305 mm) of the enclosure. The minimum dimension of air openings shall be not less than 3 inches (76 mm).

**G2407.5.3.2 (304.5.3.) Combining spaces in different stories.** The volumes of spaces in different stories shall be considered to be communicating spaces where such spaces are connected by one or more permanent openings in doors or floors having a total minimum free area of 2 square inches per 1,000 Btu/h (4402 mm2/kW) of total input rating of all appliances.

**G2407.6 (304.6)\_Outdoor combustion air.** Outdoor *combustion air* shall be provided through opening(s) to the outdoors in accordance with the following: <u>G2407.6.1 or G2407.6.2</u>. The minimum dimension of air openings shall be not less than 3 inches (76 mm).

- 1. <u>Table G2407.6: Used to determine combustion air requirements for Category I, III, and IV gas-fired appliances when the combined input is up to and including 400,000 Btu/hr.</u>
- 2. Section G2407.6.1: Used to determine combustion air requirements for power burner appliances equipped with a draft control device and having an input above 400,000 Btu/hr shall have a net free area of 0.2 square inches per 1,000 Btu/hr. Combustion air shall be provided from a single opening from the outdoors. In lieu of this requirement, combustion air requirements specified by the manufacturer for a specific power burner appliance may be approved by the building official.
- 3. Section G2407.6.2: Used to determine combustion air requirements for power burner appliances not equipped with a draft control device and having an input above 400,000 Btu/hr shall have a net free area of 0.1 square inches per 1,000 Btu/hr. Combustion air shall be provided from a single opening from the outdoors. In lieu of this requirement, combustion air requirements specified by the manufacturer for a specific power burner appliance may be approved by the building official.

TABLE G2407.6

COMBUSTION AIR REQUIREMENTS FOR CATEGORY I, III, AND IV GAS-FIRED APPLIANCES WHEN THE COMBINED INPUT IS UP TO AND INCLUDING 400,000 BTU/HR

TOTAL INPUT OF APPLIANCES <sup>1</sup> ,THOUSANDS OF BTU/HR (KW)	REQUIRED FREE AREA OF AIR-SUPPLY OPENING OR DUCT, SQUARE INCHES (SQ MM)	ACCEPTABLE APPROXIMATE ROUND DUCT EQUIVALENT DIAMETER <sup>2</sup> , INCH (MM)
25 (8)	7 (4500)	3 (76)
50 (15)	7 (4500)	3 (76)
75 (23)	11 (7000)	4 (100)
100 (30)	14 (9000)	4 (100)
125 (37)	18 (12 000)	5 (125)
150 (45)	22 (14 000)	5 (125)
175 (53)	25 (16 000)	6 (150)
200 (60)	29 (19 000)	6 (150)
225 (68)	32 (21 000)	6 (150)
250 (75)	36 (23 000)	7 (175)
275 (83)	40 (26 000)	7 (175)

300 (90)	43 (28 000)	7 (175)
325 (98)	47 (30 000)	8 (200)
350 (105)	50 (32 000)	8 (200)
375 (113)	54 (35 000)	8 (200)
400 (120)	58 (37 000)	9 (225)

- 1. For total inputs falling between listed capacities, use next largest listed input.
- 2. Opening size based on maximum equivalent duct length of 20 feet. For equivalent duct lengths in excess of 20 feet up to and including a maximum of 50 feet increase round duct diameter by one size.

**G2407.6.1 (304.6.1) Two-permanent-openings method.** Two permanent openings, one commencing within 12 inches (305 mm) of the top and one commencing within 12 inches (305 mm) of the bottom of the enclosure, shall be provided. The openings shall communicate directly or by ducts with the outdoors or spaces that freely communicate with the outdoors.

Where directly communicating with the outdoors, or where communicating with the outdoors through vertical ducts, each opening shall have a minimum free area of 1 square inch per 4,000 Btu/h (550 mm<sup>2</sup>/kW) of total input rating of all *appliances* in the enclosure [see Figures G2407.6.1(1) and G2407.6.1(2)].

Where communicating with the outdoors through horizontal ducts, each opening shall have a minimum free area of not less than 1 square inch per 2,000 Btu/h (1100 mm²/kW) of total input rating of all *appliances* in the enclosure [see Figure G2407.6.1(3)].

**G2407.6.2 (304.6.2) One-permanent-opening method.** One permanent opening, commencing within 12 inches (305 mm) of the top of the enclosure, shall be provided. The *appliance* shall have clearances of not less than 1 inch (25 mm) from the sides and back and 6 inches (152 mm) from the front of the *appliance*. The opening shall directly communicate with the outdoors, or through a vertical or horizontal duct, to the outdoors or spaces that freely communicate with the outdoors (see Figure G2407.6.2) and shall have a minimum free area of 1 square inch per 3,000 Btu/h (734 mm²/kW) of the total input rating of all *appliances* located in the enclosure and not less than the sum of the areas of all vent connectors in the space.

G2407.7 (304.7) Combination indoor and outdoor combustion air. The use of a combination of indoor and outdoor combustion air shall be in accordance with Sections G2407.7.1 through G2407.7.3.

**G240707.1 (304.7.1) Indoor openings.** Where used, openings connecting the interior spaces shall comply with Section G2407.6.

**G2407.7.2 (304.7.2) Outdoor opening location.** Outdoor opening(s) shall be located in accordance with Section G2407.6.

**G2407.7.3 (304.7.3)** Outdoor opening(s) size. The outdoor opening(s) size shall be calculated in accordance with the following:

- 1. The ratio of interior spaces shall be the available volume of all communicating spaces divided by the required volume.
- 2. outdoor size reduction factor shall be one minus the ratio of interior spaces.
- 3. The minimum size of outdoor opening(s) shall be the full size of outdoor opening(s) calculated in accordance with Section G2407.6, multiplied by the reduction factor. The minimum dimension of air openings shall be not less than 3 inches (76 mm).

**G2407.8 (304.8) Engineered installations.** Engineered *combustion air* installations shall provide an adequate supply of combustion, ventilation and dilution air determined using engineering methods.

**G2407.9 (304.9) Mechanical combustion air supply.** Where all *combustion air* is provided by a mechanical air supply system, the *combustion air* shall be supplied from the outdoors at a rate not less than 0.35 cubic feet per minute per 1,000 Btu/h (0.034 m³/min per kW) of total input rating of all *appliances* located within the space.

**G2407.9.1 (304.9.1) Makeup air.** Where exhaust fans are installed, makeup air shall be provided to replace the exhausted air.

**G2407.9.2 (304.9.2) Appliance interlock.** Each of the *appliances* served shall be interlocked with the mechanical air supply system to prevent main burner operation when the mechanical air supply system is not in operation.

**G2407.9.3 (304.9.3) Combined combustion air and ventilation air system.** Where *combustion air* is provided by the building's mechanical ventilation system, the system shall provide the specified *combustion air* rate in addition to the required ventilation air.

**G2407.10 (304.10)** Louvers and grilles. The required size of openings for combustion, ventilation and dilution air shall be based on the net free area of each opening. Where the free area through a design of louver, grille or screen is known, it shall be used in calculating the size opening required to provide the free area specified. Where the design and free area of louvers and grilles are not known, it shall be assumed that wood louvers will have 25-percent free area and metal louvers and grilles will have 75-50 percent free area. Screens shall have a mesh size not smaller than 1/4 inch (6.4 mm). Nonmotorized louvers and grilles shall be fixed in the open position. Motorized louvers shall be interlocked with the *appliance* so that they are proven to be in the full open position prior to main burner ignition and during main burner operation. Means shall be provided to prevent the main burner from igniting if the louvers fail to open during burner start-up and to shut down the main burner if the louvers close during operation.

G2407.11 (304.11) Combustion air ducts. Combustion air ducts shall comply with all of the following:

1. Ducts shall be constructed of galvanized steel complying with Chapter 16 or of a material having equivalent corrosion resistance, strength and rigidity.

**Exception:** Within dwellings units, unobstructed stud and joist spaces shall not be prohibited from conveying *combustion air*, provided that not more than one required fireblock is removed.

<u>Ducts shall be of galvanized steel or an equivalent corrosion-resistant material. If flexible duct is used, increase the duct diameter by one size. Flexible duct shall be stretched with minimal sags.</u>

- 2. Ducts shall terminate in an unobstructed space allowing free movement of *combustion air* to the appliances.
- 3. Ducts shall serve a single enclosure.
- 4. Ducts shall not <u>be combined to</u> serve both upper and lower *combustion air* openings where both such openings are used. The separation between ducts serving upper and lower *combustion air* openings shall be maintained to the source of *combustion air*.
- 5. Ducts shall not <u>terminate in an attic space or crawl space.</u> be screened where terminating in an attic space.
- 6. Horizontal upper *combustion air* ducts shall not slope downward toward the source of *combustion air*
- 7. The remaining space surrounding a chimney liner, gas vent, special gas vent or plastic *piping* installed within a masonry, metal or factory-built chimney shall not be used to supply *combustion* air.

**Exception:** Direct-vent gas-fired *appliances* designed for installation in a solid fuel burning *fireplace* where installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

- 8. Combustion air intake openings located on the exterior of a building shall have the lowest side of such openings located not less than 12 inches (305 mm) vertically from the adjoining finished ground level.
- 9. Where a common exterior hood is used for gravity combustion air and powered makeup air, the hood shall be partitioned to prevent cross flow between the openings.

**G2407.12 (304.12) Protection from fumes and gases.** Where chemicals that generate corrosive or flammable products such as aerosol sprays are routinely used, one of the following shall apply to fired *appliances* where these chemicals can enter combustion air:

- 1. Fired appliances shall be located in a mechanical room separate or partitioned off from other areas with provisions for combustion and dilution air from outdoors.
- 2. The appliances shall be direct vent and installed in accordance with the appliance manufacturer's installation instructions.
- 4. Will this proposed code change impact other sections of a model code book or an amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, please list the affected sections or rule parts. No

### Need and Reason

1. Why is the proposed code change needed? Please provide a general explanation as well as a specific explanation for any changes to numerical values (heights, area, etc.)

Section G2407.5 (304.5) Indoor Combustion Air and its subparagraphs should be deleted in their entirety. The indoor combustion air method relies on building infiltration in the appliance room and adjacent rooms with direct communication through permanent openings to provide combustion air. In G2407.5.1 (304.5.1) Standard Method, the infiltration rate is based on 0.50 ACH. Subparagraph G2407.5.2 (304.5.2) Known Air-Infiltration-Rate method (KAIR), equation 24-1 (other than fan assisted appliances) or 24-2 (fan assisted appliances), is used when the air infiltration rate of the structure is known to be less than 0.40 ACH and not greater than 0.60 ACH. It is unclear and even misleading of how the ACH is to be identified for calculation purposes and I could find no definitive method of how this should be determined. Typical air door tests identify the building ACH at 50 Pa pressure but this is not clearly identified as the proper method to use. An Energy Star building has a requirement of 3 ACH or less at 50 Pa (3 ACH50 which is equivalent to 0.20 inches w.c. or 25 mph wind). A very tight passive house has an ACH of no greater than 0.60 ACH50. How equations 24-1 and 24-2 were derived could not be determined, and I question their validity and reliability to calculate the volume of outdoor air introduced through building infiltration. Using ACH50 testing is a valid method to identify how well sealed a building is, but in my opinion should not be used for calculating combustion air. I would also note that an air door test creates a negative condition in the entire building, thereby causing infiltration on all exposures. In actual building operating conditions, about one-half of the building will be infiltrating (windward sides) while about one-half of the building will be exfiltrating (leeward sides), which further reduces the volume of air available for combustion air. I would also note that the ACH results from all exposed surfaces – if an appliance room is below grade, its infiltration rate will be significantly reduced, thereby resulting is much less combustion air than anticipated. The combustion air for a building should be through unobstructed openings which provide free flow of air as required by the appliances.

Combustion air design requirements are based on a review of NFPA 54, AGA, ASHRAE, CSA B149.1-10, NB-132, existing MN code and several equipment manufacturer recommendations.

Table G2407.6 for appliances less than or equal to 400,000 Btuh input is based on CSA tables except that the table applies to non draft controlled and draft controlled appliances.

- Why is the proposed code change a reasonable solution? It further clarifies requirements which are in the 2020 MN IFGC code and provides simpler information to contractors who may need the information.
- 3. What other factors should the TAG consider?

None

#### Cost/Benefit Analysis

- 1. Will the proposed code change increase or decrease costs? Please explain and provide estimates if possible.
  - No changes.
- 2. If there is an increased cost, will this cost be offset by a safety or other benefit? Please explain. If the benefit is quantifiable (for example energy savings), provide an estimate if possible.
- 3. If there is a cost increase, who will bear the costs? This can include government units, businesses, and individuals.
- 4. Are there any enforcement or compliance cost increases or decreases with the proposed code change? Please explain. Should make compliance and enforcement more uniform and easier to achieve.
- 5. Will the cost of complying with the proposed code change in the first year after the rule takes effect exceed \$25,000 for any one small business or small city (Minn. Stat. § 14.127)? A small business is any business that has less than 50 full-time employees. A small city is any statutory or home rule charter city that has less than ten full-time employees. Please explain.

### Regulatory Analysis

- What parties or segments of industry are affected by this proposed code change?
   Owners, contractors, building officials.
   Owners, contractorts, design engineers, building code officials.
- Can you think of other means or methods to achieve the purpose of the proposed code change?
   What might someone opposed to this code change suggest instead? Please explain what the
   alternatives are and why your proposed change is the preferred method or means to achieve the
   desired result.
   No
- 3. What are the probable costs or consequences of not adopting the code change, including those costs or consequences borne by identifiable categories of affected parties, such as separate classes of government units, businesses, or individuals?
  - Confusion and inconsistency in the design of combustion air requirements. Proposed solutions may be different than what would be required by code officials.
- 4. Are you aware of any federal or state regulation or requirement related to this proposed code change? If so, please list the federal or state regulation or requirement and your assessment of any differences between the proposed code change and the federal regulation or requirement.

No

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# **CODE CHANGE PROPOSAL FORM**

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Date: 01/24/2025

Model Code: 2024 IRC

Telepl	ephone number: 651-284-5510 Code or Rule Section: M2417		7		
Firm/A	Association affiliation, if any: DLI				
Code	or rule section to be changed: M2417.4 and M2417.4.1				
Intend	Intended for Technical Advisory Group ("TAG"):				
Gener	al Information		<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	
B. C. D. E.	Is the proposed change unique to the State of Minnesota? Is the proposed change required due to climatic conditions Will the proposed change encourage more uniform enforce Will the proposed change remedy a problem?  Does the proposal delete a current Minnesota Rule, chapte Would this proposed change be appropriate through the IC development process?	ement? er amendment?			
Proposed Language  1. The proposed code change is meant to:					
	M2417.4 and M2417.4.1  change language contained in an existing amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, list Rule part(s)  delete language contained in the model code book? If so, list section(s).			Rule part(s).	
	delete language contained in an existing amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, list Rule part(s).			ule	
	add new language that is not found in the model code book or in Minnesota Rule.				
2.	. Is this proposed code change required by Minnesota Statute? If so, please provide the citation.			itation.	

G2417.4 (406.4) Test pressure measurement. Test pressure shall be measured with a manometer or with a pressure-measuring device designed and calibrated to read, record, or indicate a pressure loss caused by leakage during the pressure test period with gauges of 2 psi (13.8 kPa) incrementation or less and shall have a pressure range not greater than twice the test pressure applied. The source of pressure shall be isolated before the pressure tests are made. Mechanical gauges used to measure test pressures shall have a range such that the highest end of the scale is not greater than five times the test pressure. The test pressure shall be within the middle 50 percent of the test gauge pressure range.

G2417.4.1 (406.4.1) Test pressure. The test pressure to be used shall be not less than 11/2 times the proposed maximum working pressure, but not less than 3 psig (20 kPa gauge) 25 psig (172 kPa gauge). Where the test pressure exceeds 125 psig (862 kPa gauge), the test pressure shall not exceed a value that produces a hoop stress in the piping greater than 50 percent of the specified minimum yield strength of the pipe.

4. Will this proposed code change impact other sections of a model code book or an amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, please list the affected sections or rule parts.

# **Need and Reason**

- Why is the proposed code change needed? Please provide a general explanation as well as a specific explanation for any changes to numerical values (heights, area, etc.)
   This language follows the IFGC amendment for gas pipe testing.
- 2. Why is the proposed code change a reasonable solution? IFGC kept the amendment and contractors are used to the 25 psi test.
- 3. What other factors should the TAG consider?

## Cost/Benefit Analysis

- 1. Will the proposed code change increase or decrease costs? Please explain and provide estimates if possible.
- 2. If there is an increased cost, will this cost be offset by a safety or other benefit? Please explain. If the benefit is quantifiable (for example energy savings), provide an estimate if possible.
- 3. If there is a cost increase, who will bear the costs? This can include government units, businesses, and individuals.
- 4. Are there any enforcement or compliance cost increases or decreases with the proposed code change? Please explain.

5. Will the cost of complying with the proposed code change in the first year after the rule takes effect exceed \$25,000 for any one small business or small city (Minn. Stat. § 14.127)? A small business is any business that has less than 50 full-time employees. A small city is any statutory or home rule charter city that has less than ten full-time employees. Please explain.

- What parties or segments of industry are affected by this proposed code change?
   Installers, builders and homeowners
- Can you think of other means or methods to achieve the purpose of the proposed code change?
   What might someone opposed to this code change suggest instead? Please explain what the
   alternatives are and why your proposed change is the preferred method or means to achieve the
   desired result.
- 3. What are the probable costs or consequences of not adopting the code change, including those costs or consequences borne by identifiable categories of affected parties, such as separate classes of government units, businesses, or individuals?
- 4. Are you aware of any federal or state regulation or requirement related to this proposed code change? If so, please list the federal or state regulation or requirement and your assessment of any differences between the proposed code change and the federal regulation or requirement.

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Model Code: 2024 IRC

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Firm/A	ssociation affiliation, if any: DLI				
Code	or rule section to be changed: M2420.1.3 & M2420.2				
Intend	Intended for Technical Advisory Group ("TAG"):				
Gener	al Information		<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	
B. C. D. E.	Is the proposed change unique to the State of Minnesota? Is the proposed change required due to climatic conditions of Will the proposed change encourage more uniform enforcer Will the proposed change remedy a problem?  Does the proposal delete a current Minnesota Rule, chapter Would this proposed change be appropriate through the ICO development process?	ment? r amendment?			
Proposed Language  1. The proposed code change is meant to:  \( \subseteq \text{ change language contained the model code book? If so, list section(s).} \)  M2420.2					
	change language contained in an existing amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, list Rule part(s) delete language contained in the model code book? If so, list section(s). delete language contained in an existing amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, list Rule part(s).			Rule part(s).	
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	add new language that is not found in the model code bo	ook or in Minnesota R	ule.		
2.	Is this proposed code change required by Minnesota Statute	e? If so, please provid	de the c	itation.	

- 3. Provide *specific* language you would like to see changed. Indicate proposed new words with <u>underlining</u> and <u>strikethrough</u> words proposed for deletion. Include the entire code (sub) section or rule subpart that contains your proposed changes.
  - G2420.1.3 (409.1.3) Access to shutoff valves. Shutoff valves shall be located in places so as to provide access for <u>ease of</u> operation and shall be installed so as to be protected from damage. G2420.1.4 Main shutoff valve. Piping systems entering the building shall be provided with an approved main shutoff valve before the first branch takeoff and installed in the first available location inside the building 5 feet or less above the floor that provides ready access and shall have a permanently attached handle.
  - G2420.2 (409.2) Meter valve. Every meter shall be equipped with a shutoff valve located on the <u>building</u> supply side of the meter.
- 4. Will this proposed code change impact other sections of a model code book or an amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, please list the affected sections or rule parts.

#### Need and Reason

- Why is the proposed code change needed? Please provide a general explanation as well as a specific explanation for any changes to numerical values (heights, area, etc.)
   This language follows the IFGC amendment for gas valve installation.
- 2. Why is the proposed code change a reasonable solution?

  IFGC TAG approved the amendment, and contractors are used to the valve location.
- 3. What other factors should the TAG consider?

#### Cost/Benefit Analysis

- 1. Will the proposed code change increase or decrease costs? Please explain and provide estimates if possible.
- 2. If there is an increased cost, will this cost be offset by a safety or other benefit? Please explain. If the benefit is quantifiable (for example energy savings), provide an estimate if possible.
- 3. If there is a cost increase, who will bear the costs? This can include government units, businesses, and individuals.
- 4. Are there any enforcement or compliance cost increases or decreases with the proposed code change? Please explain.
- 5. Will the cost of complying with the proposed code change in the first year after the rule takes effect exceed \$25,000 for any one small business or small city (Minn. Stat. § 14.127)? A small business is any business that has less than 50 full-time employees. A small city is any statutory or home rule charter city that has less than ten full-time employees. Please explain.

- 1. What parties or segments of industry are affected by this proposed code change? Installers, builders and homeowners
- 2. Can you think of other means or methods to achieve the purpose of the proposed code change? What might someone opposed to this code change suggest instead? Please explain what the alternatives are and why your proposed change is the preferred method or means to achieve the desired result.
- 3. What are the probable costs or consequences of not adopting the code change, including those costs or consequences borne by identifiable categories of affected parties, such as separate classes of government units, businesses, or individuals?
- 4. Are you aware of any federal or state regulation or requirement related to this proposed code change? If so, please list the federal or state regulation or requirement and your assessment of any differences between the proposed code change and the federal regulation or requirement.

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Telephone number: (612)275-1436 Code or Rule Section: G2432.3					
Firm/A	Association affiliation, if any: AMBO	Topic of proposal: Prohibited inst	tallations		
	Code or rule section to be changed: Residential Fuel Gas Code G2432.3				
Intend	led for Technical Advisory Group ("TAG"):				
General Information Yes No					
B. C. D. E.	Is the proposed change unique to the State Is the proposed change required due to clim Will the proposed change encourage more Will the proposed change remedy a problem Does the proposal delete a current Minneso Would this proposed change be appropriated development process?	natic conditions of Minnesota? uniform enforcement? n? ota Rule, chapter amendment?			
Proposed Language  1. The proposed code change is meant to:					
	$\boxtimes$ change language contained in the model code book? If so, list section(s). IRC G2404.11				
	☐ Change language contained in an existing amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, list Rule part(s)				
	☐ Delete language contained in the model code book? If so, list section(s).				
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	□ add new language that is not found in the	e model code book or in Minnesot	a Rule.		

2. Is this proposed code change required by Minnesota Statute? If so, please provide the citation.

- Provide specific language you would like to see changed. Indicate proposed new words with underlining and strikethrough words proposed for deletion. Include the entire code (sub) section or rule subpart that contains your proposed changes.
   G2432.3 (602.3) Prohibited installations.
   Decorative appliances for installation in fireplaces shall not be installed where prohibited by Section G2406.2. Unvented decorative appliances shall not be installed in any dwelling or occupancy.
- Will this proposed code change impact other sections of a model code book or an amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, please list the affected sections or rule parts.

### **Need and Reason**

- 1. Why is the proposed code change needed? Please provide a general explanation as well as a specific explanation for any changes to numerical values (heights, area, etc.)
  - Due to climate and requirements of the Energy Code, residential structures are built much tighter with regard to air infiltration. Unvented appliances pose a hazard to life and safety and have not been allowed to be installed in any dwelling or occupancy in MN for obvious reasons.
- Why is the proposed code change a reasonable solution?
   To mitigate potential for oxygen depletion and the production of Carbon Monoxide in occupied spaces.
- 3. What other factors should the TAG consider?

# Cost/Benefit Analysis

- 1. Will the proposed code change increase or decrease costs? Please explain and provide estimates if possible.
  - Potential for increased risk due to unvented appliances producing Carbon Monoxide in occupied spaces.
- 2. If there is an increased cost, will this cost be offset by a safety or other benefit? Please explain. If the benefit is quantifiable (for example energy savings), provide an estimate if possible. Reduced exposure to risk associated with Carbon Monoxide
- If there is a cost increase, who will bear the costs? This can include government units, businesses, and individuals.
   N/A
- 4. Are there any enforcement or compliance cost increases or decreases with the proposed code change? Please explain. NO
- 5. Will the cost of complying with the proposed code change in the first year after the rule takes effect exceed \$25,000 for any one small business or small city (Minn. Stat. § 14.127)? A small business is any business that has less than 50 full-time employees. A small city is any statutory or home rule charter city that has less than ten full-time employees. Please explain.
  No

- 1. What parties or segments of the industry are affected by this proposed code change? Contractors, Code Officials, Designers, installers
- Can you think of other means or methods to achieve the purpose of the proposed code change?
   What might someone opposed to this code change suggest instead? Please explain what the
   alternatives are and why your proposed change is the preferred method or means to achieve the
   desired result.
   N/A
- 3. What are the probable costs or consequences of not adopting the code change, including those costs or consequences borne by identifiable categories of affected parties, such as separate classes of government units, businesses, or individuals?
  Injury or loss of life due to Carbon Monoxide poisoning
- 4. Are you aware of any federal or state regulation or requirement related to this proposed code change? If so, please list the federal or state regulation or requirement and your assessment of any differences between the proposed code change and the federal regulation or requirement.
  N/A

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# **CODE CHANGE PROPOSAL FORM**

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Date: 2/5/2025

Model Code: 2024 IMC

Teleph	elephone number: 651-284-5510 Code or Rule Section: IRC G2433		S2433		
Firm/A	ssociation affiliation, if any: DLI				
Code	or rule section to be changed: IRC G2433 Log Lighters				
Intend	Intended for Technical Advisory Group ("TAG"):				
Gener	al Information		<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	
B. C. D. E.	Is the proposed change unique to the State of Minnesota? Is the proposed change required due to climatic conditions Will the proposed change encourage more uniform enforce Will the proposed change remedy a problem?  Does the proposal delete a current Minnesota Rule, chapte Would this proposed change be appropriate through the IC development process?	ement? er amendment?			
Proposed Language  1. The proposed code change is meant to:  □ change language contained the model code book? If so, list section(s). IRC G2433					
	<ul><li>☐ change language contained in an existing amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, list Rule part</li><li>☐ delete language contained in the model code book? If so, list section(s).</li></ul>			Rule part(s).	
	delete language contained in an existing amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, list Rule part(s).			ule	
	add new language that is not found in the model code by	oook or in Minnesota R	tule.		
2.	Is this proposed code change required by Minnesota Statu	te? If so, please provid	de the c	citation.	

SECTION G2433 (603)—LOG LIGHTERS G2433.1 (603.1) General. Log lighters shall be listed in accordance with CSA 8 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. Deleted

4. Will this proposed code change impact other sections of a model code book or an amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, please list the affected sections or rule parts.

#### **Need and Reason**

1. Why is the proposed code change needed? Please provide a general explanation as well as a specific explanation for any changes to numerical values (heights, area, etc.)

This code change follows the IFGC as the CSA-8 no longer is supported. There is no standard for log lighters. Any approval for log lighters must be done through an alternate approval.

2. Why is the proposed code change a reasonable solution?

There is no standard for log lighters

3. What other factors should the TAG consider?

### **Cost/Benefit Analysis**

- 1. Will the proposed code change increase or decrease costs? Please explain and provide estimates if possible.
- 2. If there is an increased cost, will this cost be offset by a safety or other benefit? Please explain. If the benefit is quantifiable (for example energy savings), provide an estimate if possible.
- 3. If there is a cost increase, who will bear the costs? This can include government units, businesses, and individuals
- 4. Are there any enforcement or compliance cost increases or decreases with the proposed code change? Please explain.
- 5. Will the cost of complying with the proposed code change in the first year after the rule takes effect exceed \$25,000 for any one small business or small city (Minn. Stat. § 14.127)? A small business is any business that has less than 50 full-time employees. A small city is any statutory or home rule charter city that has less than ten full-time employees. Please explain.

- 1. What parties or segments of industry are affected by this proposed code change?
  - Homeowners, mechanical contractors and HVAC manufacturers, building officials and inspectors, mechanical inspectors.
- Can you think of other means or methods to achieve the purpose of the proposed code change?
   What might someone opposed to this code change suggest instead? Please explain what the
   alternatives are and why your proposed change is the preferred method or means to achieve the
   desired result.
- 3. What are the probable costs or consequences of not adopting the code change, including those costs or consequences borne by identifiable categories of affected parties, such as separate classes of government units, businesses, or individuals?
- 4. Are you aware of any federal or state regulation or requirement related to this proposed code change? If so, please list the federal or state regulation or requirement and your assessment of any differences between the proposed code change and the federal regulation or requirement.

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# **CODE CHANGE PROPOSAL FORM**

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Date: 02/02/25

Model Code: Res. Fuel Gas Code

Telepl	none number: (612)275-1436	Code or Rule Section: G2453	3.1		
Firm/Association affiliation, if any: AMBO  Topic of proposal: Add L			d Lang	uage	
Code	or rule section to be changed: G2453.1 (Outdoor Dec	orative Appliances)			
Intended for Technical Advisory Group ("TAG"):					
Gener	al Information		Yes	<u>No</u>	
B. C. D. E.	Is the proposed change unique to the State of Minne Is the proposed change required due to climatic con Will the proposed change encourage more uniform Will the proposed change remedy a problem?  Does the proposal delete a current Minnesota Rule, Would this proposed change be appropriate through development process?	ditions of Minnesota? enforcement? chapter amendment?			
	Proposed Language  1. The proposed code change is meant to:				
	<ul> <li>         □ change language contained in the model code book? If so, list section(s).     </li> <li>         □ Section G2453.1 (Outdoor Decorative Appliances)         □ change language contained in an existing amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, list Rule part(s)     </li> </ul>			Rule part(s).	
	delete language contained in the model code book? If so, list section(s).				
	delete language contained in an existing amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, list Rule part(s).				
	$\boxtimes$ add new language that is not found in the model	code book or in Minnesota R	ule.		
2.	Is this proposed code change required by Minnesota	a Statute? If so, please provid	le the c	itation.	

# Section G2453.1—Outdoor decorative appliances G2453.1 General.

Permanently fixed-in-place outdoor decorative appliances shall be listed in accordance with ANSI Z21.97 and shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

Appliances shall be equipped with a Flame Safeguard Device.

 Will this proposed code change impact other sections of a model code book or an amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, please list the affected sections or rule parts.

### **Need and Reason**

- Why is the proposed code change needed? Please provide a general explanation as well as a specific explanation for any changes to numerical values (heights, area, etc.)
   The ANSI Z21.97 Standard does not require Flame Safeguard Devices for appliances with a capacity of 65,000 BTU/Hr. (65 Cu. Ft./Hr.) or less.
   65 Cu. Ft./ Hr. is a substantial amount of gas and may create a dangerous condition if the supply to the burner is not shut off if the flame is extinguished.
- 2. Why is the proposed code change a reasonable solution?

  Flame Safeguard devices are utilized in almost every Fuel Gas Appliance to prevent gas flow to burners if the flame is extinguished or the means of ignition of such burners becomes inoperative.
- 3. What other factors should the TAG consider?

Although the ANSI Z21.97 Standard considers Outdoor Decorative Appliances to be constantly attended, the infrequent use of those appliances could result in gas flowing to the burners for extended periods if the burners are not ignited. (visual flames would be noticed and the appliance would most likely be shut off if not attended)

## **Cost/Benefit Analysis**

- 1. Will the proposed code change increase or decrease costs? Please explain and provide estimates if possible.
  - The cost of flame safeguard devices could be offset by the cost of gas flowing (unignited) to appliance for potentially long periods of time.
- 2. If there is an increased cost, will this cost be offset by a safety or other benefit? Please explain. If the benefit is quantifiable (for example energy savings), provide an estimate if possible. The relatively small cost of the FSD will increase the safety of outdoor appliances.
- 3. If there is a cost increase, who will bear the costs? This can include government units, businesses, and individuals.

Manufacturer

4. Are there any enforcement or compliance cost increases or decreases with the proposed code change? Please explain.

N/A

5. Will the cost of complying with the proposed code change in the first year after the rule takes effect exceed \$25,000 for any one small business or small city (Minn. Stat. § 14.127)? A small business is any business that has less than 50 full-time employees. A small city is any statutory or home rule charter city that has less than ten full-time employees. Please explain.

N/A

- 1. What parties or segments of industry are affected by this proposed code change? Contractors, Designers, Owners, Code Officials, manufacturers
- Can you think of other means or methods to achieve the purpose of the proposed code change?
  What might someone opposed to this code change suggest instead? Please explain what the
  alternatives are and why your proposed change is the preferred method or means to achieve the
  desired result.
   No
- 3. What are the probable costs or consequences of not adopting the code change, including those costs or consequences borne by identifiable categories of affected parties, such as separate classes of government units, businesses, or individuals?
  Risk of injury, compromised safety, increased cost (of wasted) NG
- 4. Are you aware of any federal or state regulation or requirement related to this proposed code change? If so, please list the federal or state regulation or requirement and your assessment of any differences between the proposed code change and the federal regulation or requirement. No

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# **CODE CHANGE PROPOSAL FORM**

(Must be submitted electronically)

Date: 01/23/2025

Email	address: chris.rosival@state.mn.us	Model Code: 2024 IR	C		
Telephone number: 651-284-5510 Code or Rule Section: G2		: G244	5		
Firm/A	ssociation affiliation, if any: DLI				
Code	or rule section to be changed: G2445.1				
Intend	ed for Technical Advisory Group ("TAG"):				
Gener	al Information		Yes	<u>No</u>	
B. C. D. E.	Is the proposed change unique to the State of Minnesota? Is the proposed change required due to climatic conditions. Will the proposed change encourage more uniform enforce. Will the proposed change remedy a problem?  Does the proposal delete a current Minnesota Rule, chapt Would this proposed change be appropriate through the IC development process?	s of Minnesota? ement? er amendment?			
Proposed Language  1. The proposed code change is meant to:					
	<ul><li>☐ change language contained the model code book? If so, list section(s).</li><li>☐ change language contained in an existing amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, list Rule part(s)</li></ul>			Rule part(s).	
	delete language contained in the model code book? If so, list section(s).				
	delete language contained in an existing amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, list Rule part(s).				
	add new language that is not found in the model code	book or in Minnesota R	Rule.		
2.	Is this proposed code change required by Minnesota Statute? If so, please provide the citation.			citation.	

SECTION G2445 (621)

### **UNVENTED ROOM HEATERS**

G2445.1 <u>Unvented room heaters and unvented decorative appliances shall not be installed in any dwelling or occupancy.</u> (621.1) General. <u>Unvented room heaters shall be listed in accordance with ANSI Z21.11.2 and shall be installed in accordance with the conditions of the listing and the manufacturer's instructions.</u>

G2445.2 (621.2) Prohibited use. One or more unvented room heaters shall not be used as the sole source of comfort heating in a dwelling unit.

G2445.3 (621.3) Input rating. Unvented room heaters shall not have an input rating in excess of 40,000 Btu/h (11.7 kW).

G2445.4 (621.4) Prohibited locations. The location of unvented room heaters shall comply with Section G2406.2.

G2445.5 (621.5) Room or space volume. The aggregate input rating of all unvented appliances installed in a room or space shall not exceed 20 Btu/h per cubic foot (207 W/m3) of volume of such room or space. Where the room or space in which the appliances are installed is directly connected to another room or space by a doorway, archway or other opening of comparable size that cannot be closed, the volume of such adjacent room or space shall be permitted to be included in the calculations.

G2445.6 (621.6) Oxygen-depletion safety system. Unvented room heaters shall be equipped with an oxygen-depletion-sensitive safety shutoff system. The system shall shut off the gas supply to the main and pilot burners when the oxygen in the surrounding atmosphere is depleted to the percent concentration specified by the manufacturer, but not lower than 18 percent. The system shall not incorporate field adjustment means capable of changing the set point at which the system acts to shut off the gas supply to the room heater.

G2445.7 (621.7) Unvented decorative room heaters. An unvented decorative room heater shall not be installed in a factory-built fireplace unless the fireplace system has been specifically tested, listed and labeled for such use in accordance with UL 127.

G2445.7.1 (621.7.1) Ventless firebox enclosures. Ventless firebox enclosures used with unvented decorative room heaters shall be listed as complying with ANSI Z21.91.

4. Will this proposed code change impact other sections of a model code book or an amendment in Minnesota Rule? If so, please list the affected sections or rule parts.

#### **Need and Reason**

- Why is the proposed code change needed? Please provide a general explanation as well as a specific explanation for any changes to numerical values (heights, area, etc.)
   Minnesota has had this amendment in 1346 for quite a few code cycles. Our homes are built too tight to allow unvented appliances.
- 2. Why is the proposed code change a reasonable solution? To protect the safety of Minnesota IRC occupants
- 3. What other factors should the TAG consider?

## **Cost/Benefit Analysis**

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