3. Beams, girders, ducts or other obstructions in *basements* containing *habitable space* shall be permitted to project to within 6 feet 4 inches (1931 mm) of the finished floor.

**R305.1.1 Basements.** Portions of *basements* that do not contain *habitable space* or hallways shall have a ceiling height of not less than 6 feet 8 inches (2032 mm).

**Exception:** At beams, girders, ducts or other obstructions, the ceiling height shall be not less than 6 feet 4 inches (1931 mm) from the finished floor.

#### SECTION R306 SANITATION

**R306.1 Toilet facilities.** Every *dwelling* unit shall be provided with a water closet, lavatory, and a bathtub or shower.

**R306.2 Kitchen.** Each *dwelling* unit shall be provided with a kitchen area and every kitchen area shall be provided with a sink.

**R306.3 Sewage disposal.** Plumbing fixtures shall be connected to a sanitary sewer or to an *approved* private sewage disposal system.

**R306.4 Water supply to fixtures.** Plumbing fixtures shall be connected to an *approved* water supply. Kitchen sinks, lavatories, bathtubs, showers, bidets, laundry tubs and washing machine outlets shall be provided with hot and cold water.

#### SECTION R307 TOILET, BATH AND SHOWER SPACES

**R307.1 Space required.** Fixtures shall be spaced in accordance with Figure R307.1, and in accordance with the requirements of Section P2705.1.

**R307.2 Bathtub and shower spaces.** Bathtub and shower floors and walls above bathtubs with installed shower heads and in shower compartments shall be finished with a nonabsorbent surface. Such wall surfaces shall extend to a height of not less than 6 feet (1829 mm) above the floor.

#### SECTION R308 GLAZING

**R308.1 Identification.** Except as indicated in Section R308.1.1 each pane of glazing installed in hazardous locations as defined in Section R308.4 shall be provided with a manufacturer's designation specifying who applied the designation, the type of glass and the safety glazing standard with which it complies, and that is visible in the final installation. The designation shall be acid etched, sandblasted, ceramicfired, laser etched, embossed, or be of a type that once applied cannot be removed without being destroyed. A *label* shall be permitted in lieu of the manufacturer's designation.

#### **Exceptions:**

1. For other than tempered glass, manufacturer's designations are not required provided that the *building*  *official* approves the use of a certificate, affidavit or other evidence confirming compliance with this code.

2. Tempered spandrel glass is permitted to be identified by the manufacturer with a removable paper designation.

**R308.1.1 Identification of multiple assemblies.** Multipane assemblies having individual panes not exceeding 1 square foot  $(0.09 \text{ m}^2)$  in exposed area shall have not less than one pane in the assembly identified in accordance with Section R308.1. Other panes in the assembly shall be *labeled* "CPSC 16 CFR 1201" or "ANSI Z97.1" as appropriate.

**R308.2 Louvered windows or jalousies.** Regular, float, wired or patterned glass in jalousies and louvered windows shall be not less than nominal  ${}^{3}\!/_{16}$  inch (5 mm) thick and not more than 48 inches (1219 mm) in length. Exposed glass edges shall be smooth.

**R308.2.1 Wired glass prohibited.** Wired glass with wire exposed on longitudinal edges shall not be used in jalousies or louvered windows.

**R308.3 Human impact loads.** Individual glazed areas, including glass mirrors in hazardous locations such as those indicated as defined in Section R308.4, shall pass the test requirements of Section R308.3.1.

#### **Exceptions:**

- 1. Louvered windows and jalousies shall comply with Section R308.2.
- 2. Mirrors and other glass panels mounted or hung on a surface that provides a continuous backing support.

3. Glass unit masonry complying with Section R607.

**R308.3.1 Impact test.** Where required by other sections of the code, glazing shall be tested in accordance with CPSC 16 CFR 1201. Glazing shall comply with the test criteria for Category II unless otherwise indicated in Table R308.3.1(1).

**Exception:** Glazing not in doors or enclosures for hot tubs, whirlpools, saunas, steam rooms, bathtubs and showers shall be permitted to be tested in accordance with ANSI Z97.1. Glazing shall comply with the test criteria for Class A unless otherwise indicated in Table R308.3.1(2).

**R308.4 Hazardous locations.** The locations specified in Sections R308.4.1 through R308.4.7 shall be considered to be specific hazardous locations for the purposes of glazing.

**R308.4.1 Glazing in doors.** Glazing in fixed and operable panels of swinging, sliding and bifold doors shall be considered to be a hazardous location.

#### **Exceptions:**

- 1. Glazed openings of a size through which a 3inch-diameter (76 mm) sphere is unable to pass.
- 2. Decorative glazing.

**R308.4.2 Glazing adjacent to doors.** Glazing in an individual fixed or operable panel adjacent to a door shall be

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# TABLE R308.3.1(1) MINIMUM CATEGORY CLASSIFICATION OF GLAZING USING CPSC 16 CFR 1201

EXPOSED SURFACE AREA OF ONE SIDE OF ONE LITE	GLAZING IN STORM OR COMBINATION DOORS (Category Class)	GLAZING IN DOORS (Category Class)	GLAZED PANELS REGULATED BY SECTION R308.4.3 (Category Class)	GLAZED PANELS REGULATED BY SECTION R308.4.2 (Category Class)	GLAZING IN DOORS AND ENCLOSURES REGULATED BY SECTION 308.4.5 (Category Class)	SLIDING GLASS DOORS PATIO TYPE (Category Class)
9 square feet or less	Ι	Ι	NR	Ι	II	Π
More than 9 square feet	II	Ш	II	II	II	II

For SI: 1 square foot =  $0.0929 \text{ m}^2$ .

NR = No Requirement.

 TABLE R308.3.1(2)

 MINIMUM CATEGORY CLASSIFICATION OF GLAZING USING ANSI Z97.1

EXPOSED SURFACE AREA OF ONE SIDE OF ONE LITE	GLAZED PANELS REGULATED BY SECTION R308.4.3 (Category Class)	GLAZED PANELS REGULATED BY SECTION R308.4.2 (Category Class)	DOORS AND ENCLOSURES REGULATED BY SECTION R308.4.5 <sup>a</sup> (Category Class)
9 square feet or less	No requirement	В	А
More than 9 square feet	А	А	А

For SI: 1 square foot =  $0.0929 \text{ m}^2$ .

a. Use is permitted only by the exception to Section R308.3.1.

Glazing in this application shall comply with Section R308.4.3.

4. Glazing that is adjacent to the fixed panel of patio doors.

**R308.4.3 Glazing in windows.** Glazing in an individual fixed or operable panel that meets all of the following conditions shall be considered to be a hazardous location:

- 1. The exposed area of an individual pane is larger than 9 square feet  $(0.836 \text{ m}^2)$ .
- 2. The bottom edge of the glazing is less than 18 inches (457 mm) above the floor.
- 3. The top edge of the glazing is more than 36 inches (914 mm) above the floor.
- 4. One or more walking surfaces are within 36 inches (914 mm), measured horizontally and in a straight line, of the glazing.

#### **Exceptions:**

- 1. Decorative glazing.
- 2. Where glazing is adjacent to a walking surface and a horizontal rail is installed 34 to 38 inches (864 to 965 mm) above the walking surface. The rail shall be capable of withstanding a horizontal load of 50 pounds per linear foot (730 N/m) without contacting the glass and have a cross-sectional height of not less than  $1^{1}/_{2}$  inches (38 mm).
- 3. Outboard panes in insulating glass units and other multiple glazed panels where the bottom edge of the glass is 25 feet (7620 mm) or more above *grade*, a roof, walking surfaces or other horizontal [within 45

degrees (0.79 rad) of horizontal] surface adjacent to the glass exterior.

**R308.4.4 Glazing in guards and railings.** Glazing in *guards* and railings, including structural baluster panels and nonstructural in-fill panels, regardless of area or height above a walking surface shall be considered to be a hazardous location.

**R308.4.4.1 Structural glass baluster panels.** Guards with structural glass baluster panels shall be installed with an attached top rail or handrail. The top rail or handrail shall be supported by not less than three glass baluster panels, or shall be otherwise supported to remain in place should one glass baluster panel fail.

**Exception:** An attached top rail or handrail is not required where the glass baluster panels are laminated glass with two or more glass plies of equal thickness and of the same glass type.

**R308.4.5 Glazing and wet surfaces.** Glazing in walls, enclosures or fences containing or facing hot tubs, spas, whirlpools, saunas, steam rooms, bathtubs, showers and indoor or outdoor swimming pools where the bottom exposed edge of the glazing is less than 60 inches (1524 mm) measured vertically above any standing or walking surface shall be considered to be a hazardous location. This shall apply to single glazing and each pane in multiple glazing.

**Exception:** Glazing that is more than 60 inches (1524 mm), measured horizontally and in a straight line, from the water's edge of a bathtub, hot tub, spa, whirlpool or swimming pool or from the edge of a shower, sauna or steam room.

**R308.4.6 Glazing adjacent to stairs and ramps.** Glazing where the bottom exposed edge of the glazing is less than 36 inches (914 mm) above the plane of the adjacent

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walking surface of stairways, landings between flights of stairs and ramps shall be considered to be a hazardous location.

#### **Exceptions:**

- 1. Where glazing is adjacent to a walking surface and a horizontal rail is installed at 34 to 38 inches (864 to 965 mm) above the walking surface. The rail shall be capable of withstanding a horizontal load of 50 pounds per linear foot (730 N/m) without contacting the glass and have a cross-sectional height of not less than  $1^{1}/_{2}$  inches (38 mm).
- 2. Glazing 36 inches (914 mm) or more measured horizontally from the walking surface.

**R308.4.7 Glazing adjacent to the bottom stair landing.** Glazing adjacent to the landing at the bottom of a stairway where the glazing is less than 36 inches (914 mm) above the landing and within a 60-inch (1524 mm) horizontal arc less than 180 degrees (3.14 rad) from the bottom tread nosing shall be considered to be a hazardous location. (See Figure R308.4.7.)

**Exception:** Where the glazing is protected by a *guard* complying with Section R312 and the plane of the glass is more than 18 inches (457 mm) from the *guard*.

**R308.5 Site-built windows.** Site-built windows shall comply with Section 2404 of the *International Building Code*.

**R308.6 Skylights and sloped glazing.** Skylights and sloped glazing shall comply with the following sections.

**R308.6.1 Definitions.** The following terms are defined in Chapter 2:

SKYLIGHT, UNIT. SKYLIGHTS AND SLOPED GLAZING. TUBULAR DAYLIGHTING DEVICE (TDD).

**R308.6.2 Materials.** Glazing materials shall be limited to the following:

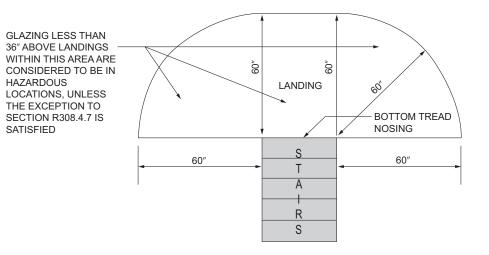
- 1. Laminated glass with not less than a 0.015-inch (0.38 mm) polyvinyl butyral interlayer for glass panes 16 square feet (1.5 m<sup>2</sup>) or less in area located such that the highest point of the glass is not more than 12 feet (3658 mm) above a walking surface; for higher or larger sizes, the interlayer thickness shall be not less than 0.030 inch (0.76 mm).
- 2. Fully tempered glass.
- 3. Heat-strengthened glass.
- 4. Wired glass.
- 5. Approved rigid plastics.

**R308.6.3 Screens, general.** For fully tempered or heatstrengthened glass, a retaining screen meeting the requirements of Section R308.6.7 shall be installed below the glass, except for fully tempered glass that meets either condition listed in Section R308.6.5.

**R308.6.4 Screens with multiple glazing.** Where the inboard pane is fully tempered, heat-strengthened or wired glass, a retaining screen meeting the requirements of Section R308.6.7 shall be installed below the glass, except for either condition listed in Section R308.6.5. Other panes in the multiple glazing shall be of any type listed in Section R308.6.2.

**R308.6.5 Screens not required.** Screens shall not be required where fully tempered glass is used as single glazing or the inboard pane in multiple glazing and either of the following conditions are met:

- 1. The glass area is 16 square feet  $(1.49 \text{ m}^2)$  or less; the highest point of glass is not more than 12 feet (3658 mm) above a walking surface; the nominal glass thickness is not more than  $3/_{16}$  inch (4.8 mm); and (for multiple glazing only) the other pane or panes are fully tempered, laminated or wired glass.
- 2. The glass area is greater than 16 square feet (1.49 m<sup>2</sup>); the glass is sloped 30 degrees (0.52 rad) or less from vertical; and the highest point of glass is not



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#### FIGURE R308.4.7 HAZARDOUS GLAZING LOCATIONS AT BOTTOM STAIR LANDINGS

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Z21.58—95/CSA 1.6—13: Outdoor Cooking Gas Appliances						
G2447.1						
Z21.60/CSA 2.26—12: Decorative Gas Appliances for Installation in Solid Fuel-burning Fireplaces G2432.1						
Z21.69/CSA 6.16—09: Connectors for Movable Gas Appliances G2422.1.5						
Z21.75/CSA 6.27—07: Connectors for Outdoor Gas Appliances and Manufactured Homes G2422.1						
Z21.80/CSA 6.22—11: Line Pressure Regulators G2421.1						
ANSI/CSA FC 1—12: Stationary Fuel Cell Power Systems M1903.1						
<b>Z21.84—12: Manually Listed, Natural Gas Decorative Gas Appliances for Installation in Solid Fuel-burning Fireplaces</b> G2432.1, G2432.2						
Z21.86/CSA 2.32—08: Gas-fired Vented Space Heating Appliances G2436.1, G2437.1, G2446.1						
Z21.88/CSA 2.33—16: Vented Gas Fireplace Heaters G2435.1						
<b>Z21.91—07: Ventless Firebox Enclosures for Gas-fired Unvented Decorative Room Heaters</b> G2445.7.1						
Z21.93/CSA 6.30—13: Excess Flow Valves for Natural and LP Gas with Pressures up to 5 psig G2421.4						
Z21.97—12: Outdoor Decorative Appliances G2454.1						
<b>Z83.6—90 (R1998): Gas-fired Infrared Heaters</b> G2451.1						
<b>Z83.8/CSA 2.6—09:</b> Gas-fired Unit Heaters, Gas Packaged Heaters, Gas Utility Heaters and Gas-fired Duct Furnaces G2444.1						
<b>Z83.19—01 (R2009): Gas-fuel High-intensity Infrared Heaters</b> G2451.1						
<b>Z83.20—08: Gas-fired Low-intensity Infared Heaters Outdoor Decorative Appliances</b> G2451.1						
<b>Z97.1—2014: Safety Glazing Materials Used in Buildings—Safety Performance Specifications and Methods of Test</b> R308.1.1, R308.3.1, Table R303.3.1(2)						

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### **APPENDIX J**

# **EXISTING BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES**

The provisions contained in this appendix are not mandatory unless specifically referenced in the adopting ordinance.

#### User note:

About this appendix: Appendix J regulates the repair, renovation alteration and reconstruction of existing buildings that are within the scope of this code. It is intended to encourage the continued safe use of existing buildings and ensure that new work conforms to the intent of the code and that exiting conditions remain at their current level of compliance or are improved.

#### SECTION AJ101 PURPOSE AND INTENT

**AJ101.1 General.** The purpose of these provisions is to encourage the continued use or reuse of legally existing buildings and structures. These provisions are intended to permit work in existing buildings that is consistent with the purpose of this code. Compliance with these provisions shall be deemed to meet the requirements of this code.

**AJ101.2 Classification of work.** For purposes of this appendix, work in existing buildings shall be classified into the categories of repair, renovation, *alteration* and reconstruction. Specific requirements are established for each category of work in these provisions.

**AJ101.3 Multiple categories of work.** Work of more than one category shall be part of a single work project. Related work permitted within a 12-month period shall be considered to be a single work project. Where a project includes one category of work in one building area and another category of work in a separate and unrelated area of the building, each project area shall comply with the requirements of the respective category of work. Where a project with more than one category of work is performed in the same area or in related areas of the building, the project shall comply with the requirements of the more stringent category of work.

#### SECTION AJ102 COMPLIANCE

**AJ102.1 General.** Regardless of the category of work being performed, the work shall not cause the structure to become unsafe or adversely affect the performance of the building; shall not cause an existing mechanical or plumbing system to become unsafe, hazardous, insanitary or overloaded; and unless expressly permitted by these provisions, shall not make the building any less compliant with this code or to any previously *approved* alternative arrangements than it was before the work was undertaken.

**AJ102.2 Requirements by category of work.** Repairs shall conform to the requirements of Section AJ301. Renovations shall conform to the requirements of Section AJ401. *Alter-ations* shall conform to the requirements of Section AJ501 and the requirements for renovations. Reconstructions shall conform to the requirements of Section AJ601 and the requirements for *alterations* and renovations.

**AJ102.3 Smoke detectors.** Regardless of the category of work, smoke detectors shall be provided where required by Section R314.2.2.

**AJ102.4 Replacement windows.** Regardless of the category of work, where an existing window, including the sash and glazed portion, or safety glazing is replaced, the replacement window or safety glazing shall comply with the requirements of Sections AJ102.4.1 through AJ102.4.4, as applicable.

**AJ102.4.1 Energy efficiency.** Replacement windows shall comply with the requirements of Chapter 11.

**AJ102.4.2 Safety glazing.** Replacement glazing in hazardous locations shall comply with the safety glazing requirements of Section R308.

**AJ102.4.3 Emergency escape and rescue openings.** Where windows are required to provide emergency escape and rescue openings, replacement windows shall be exempt from the maximum sill height requirements of Section R310.2.2 and the requirements of Sections R310.2.1 and R310.2.3 provided that the replacement window meets the following conditions:

- 1. The replacement window is the manufacturer's largest standard size window that will fit within the existing frame or existing rough opening. The replacement window shall be permitted to be of the same operating style as the existing window or a style that provides for an equal or greater window opening area than the existing window.
- 2. The replacement window is not part of a change of occupancy.
- 3. Window opening control devices complying with ASTM F2090 shall be permitted for use on windows required to provide emergency escape and rescue openings.

**AJ102.4.4 Window control devices.** Where window fall prevention devices complying with ASTM F2090 are not provided, window opening control devices complying with ASTM F2090 shall be installed where an existing window is replaced and where all of the following apply to the replacement window:

- 1. The window is operable.
- 2. The window replacement includes replacement of the sash and the frame.

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