

Washington State Building Code Council

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STATE BUILDING CODE INTERPRETATION NO. 14-05

CODE: 2012 Washington State Energy Code, Commercial

SECTION: C402.4.7 Vestibules

QUESTION: Are vestibules required at required public exit-only doors?

ANSWER: Yes, any building entrance that can be accessed from the outside

by the public is required to have a vestibule unless one of the exceptions of C402.4.7 can be utilized. See definition of building

entrance for further details.

BUILDING ENTRANCE. Any door, set of doors, doorway, or other form of portal that is used to gain access to the building from

the outside by the public.

SUPERSEDES: None

REQUESTED BY: Pierce County