

STATE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL

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Section(s): WAC 51-51-0301	
Title: Design criteria	

2. Proponent Name (Specific local government, organization or individual):

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4. Proposed Code Amendment.

Code(s): WAC 51-51-0301 Section(s) Design criteria

Amend section to read as follows:

WAC 51-51-0301

Section R324—Solar energy systems.

WAC 51-51-0301 Design criteria.

R301.2 Climatic and geographic design criteria. Buildings shall be constructed in accordance with the provisions of this code as limited by the provisions of this section. Additional criteria shall be established by the local jurisdiction and set forth in Table R301.2(1). The local jurisdiction shall designate the salt water coastal areas within their jurisdiction.

R301.2.2.3.1 Height limitations. Wood-framed buildings shall be limited to three stories above grade plane or the limits given in Table R602.10.3(3). Cold-formed, steel-framed buildings shall be limited to less than or equal to three stories above grade plane in accordance with AISI S230. Mezzanines that comply with Section R328 shall not be considered as stories. Structural insulated panel buildings shall be limited to two stories above grade plane.

R301.5 Live load. The minimum uniformly distributed live load shall be as provided in Table R301.5.

TABLE R301.5
MINIMUM UNIFORMLY DISTRIBUTED LIVE LOADS
(in pounds per square foot)

	Live
Use	Load
Uninhabitable attics	
without storageb	10
Uninhabitable attics with	
limited storageb, g	20
Habitable attics and attics	
served with fixed stairs	30
Balconies (exterior) and	
deckse	60
Fire escapes	40
Guards and handrailsd	200h
Guard in-fill componentsf	50h
Passenger vehicle	
garagesa	50a
Rooms other than sleeping	
rooms	40
Sleeping rooms	30
Stairs	40c

(No change to footnotes)

5. Briefly explain your proposed amendment, including the purpose, benefits and problems addressed.

