



Washington State Building Code Council

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STATE BUILDING CODE INTERPRETATION NO. 19-07

CODE: 2015 International Building Code

SECTION: 1705, Mass Timber Special Inspections

QUESTION 1: What special inspections are required for adhesive anchors in mass timber that do not resist sustained tension loads?

ANSWER: **Periodic special inspections should be required where both of the following conditions are met:**

a. Special inspections are required by the Washington State Amendment to Section 1705.5.3, and

b. Adhesive anchors do not resist sustained tension loads, as described in the Washington State Amendment to Table 1705.5.3, Item 3b.

QUESTION 2: What special inspections are required for non-proprietary concealed connections in mass timber?

ANSWER: **Periodic special inspections should be required for all concealed connections in mass timber, whether proprietary or not, where special inspections are required by the Washington State Amendment to Section 1705.5.3.**

SUPERSEDES: None

REQUESTED BY: City of Seattle