# Permit and requirements

## Type 1 permit:

# i. Bonfires;

#### DEFINITIONS

BONFIRE. An outdoor fire utilized for ceremonial purposes.

**OPEN BURNING.** The burning of materials wherein products of combustion are emitted directly into the ambient air without passing through a stack or chimney from an enclosed chamber. Open burning does not include road flares, smudge pots and similar devices associated with safety or occupational uses typically considered open flames or recreational fires. For the purpose of this definition, a chamber shall be regarded as enclosed when, during the time combustion occurs, only apertures, ducts, stacks, flues or chimneys necessary to provide combustion air and permit the escape of exhaust gas are open.

**RECREATIONAL FIRE.** An outdoor fire burning materials other than rubbish where the fuel being burned is not contained in an incinerator, outdoor fireplace, barbeque grill or barbeque pit and has a total fuel area of 3 feet (914 mm) or less in diameter and 2 feet (610 mm) or less in height for pleasure, religious, ceremonial, cooking, warmth or similar purposes.

#### **OPEN BURNING AND RECREATIONAL FIRES**

**307.1 General.** A person shall not kindle or maintain or authorize to be kindled or maintained any open burning unless conducted and approved in accordance with this section.

**307.1.1 Prohibited open burning.** Open burning that is offensive or objectionable because of smoke emissions or when atmospheric conditions or local circumstances make such fires hazardous shall be prohibited.

**Forest Fire Service.** In districts for which Forest Fire Wardens have been appointed in accordance with the General Forest Fire Act (N.J.S.A. 13:9-44.1 et seq.), any fire within, or adjacent to, any forest which has the potential to cause a wildfire is prohibited by this subchapter, without first obtaining a permit from the State Forest Fire Service in the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

**307.2** Allowable burning. Open burning shall be allowed without prior notification to the fire official for recreational fires, highway safety flares, smudge pots and similar occupational needs.

**307.2.1 Approval required.** Open burning shall be allowed after obtaining a permit from the fire official for a bonfire. All permits shall be requested by and issued to the owner or agent of the land upon which the bonfire is to be kindled.

**307.2.1.1 Application.** Applications for open burning shall be submitted in writing at least 10 days before the fire is set and shall be in such form and contain such information as required by the fire

official. Such applications shall contain, as a minimum, information regarding the purpose of the proposed burning, the nature and quantities of material to be burned, the date when such burning will take place, the location of the burning site and the on-site fire-extinguishing equipment to be provided.

**307.2.1.2 Agricultural burning permitted.** The burning of herbaceous or infested plant life, the burning of orchard pruning's and cuttings, prescribed burnings and the clearing of agricultural land by burning are prohibited by this subchapter, unless in accordance with a permit issued under the provisions of N.J.A.C. 7:27-2, administered by the State Forest Fire Service in the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

**307.2.2 Waste disposal.** Open burning shall not be utilized for waste disposal purposes, shall be of the minimum size for the intended purpose, and the fuel shall be chosen to minimize the generation and emission of air contaminants.

**307.3 Extinguishment authority.** The fire code official is authorized to order the extinguishment by the permit holder, another person responsible or the fire department of open burning that creates or adds to hazardous or objectionable situation.

**307.4 Location.** The location for open burning shall not be less than 50 feet (15 240 mm) from any structure, and provisions shall be made to prevent the fire from spreading to within 50 feet (15 240 mm) of any structure.

#### **Exceptions:**

1. Fires in approved containers that are not less than 15 feet (4572 mm) from a structure.

2. The minimum required distance from a structure shall be 25 feet (7620 mm) where the pile size is 3 feet (914 mm) or less in diameter and 2 feet (610 mm) or less in height.

**307.4.1 Bonfires.** A bonfire shall not be conducted within 50 feet (15 240 mm) of a structure or combustible material unless the fire is contained in a barbecue pit. Conditions which could cause a fire to spread within 50 feet (15 240 mm) of a structure shall be eliminated prior to ignition.

**307.4.1.1 Bonfire size and duration.** A bonfire shall not be more than 5 feet (1524 mm) by 5 feet (1524 mm) by 5 feet (1524 mm) in dimension and shall not burn longer than 3 hours. The maximum size and duration of a bonfire shall not be increased by the fire official unless it is determined that fire safety requirements of the situation and the desirable duration of burn warrant the increase.

**307.4.1.2 Material.** Fuel for a bonfire shall consist only of seasoned dry firewood and shall be ignited with a small quantity of paper. The fire shall not be utilized for waste disposal purposes, and the fuel shall be chosen to minimize the generation of air contaminants.

**307.4.2 Recreational fires.** Recreational fires shall not be conducted within 25 feet (7620 mm) of a structure or combustible material. Conditions which could cause a fire to spread within 25 feet (7620 mm) of a structure shall be eliminated prior to ignition. Fires in approved containers shall be permitted, provided that such fires are not less than 15 feet (4572 mm) from any structure.

**307.5 Attendance.** Open burning, bonfires or recreational fires shall be constantly attended until the fire is extinguished. A minimum of one portable fire extinguisher complying with Section 906 with a minimum 4-A rating or other approved on-site fire-extinguishing equipment, such as dirt, sand, water barrel, garden hose or water truck, shall be available for immediate utilization.

# *ii. The use of a torch or flame-producing device to remove paint from, or seal membrane roofs on, any building or structure;*

**308.4 Torches for removing paint.** Persons utilizing a torch or other flame-producing device for removing paint from a structure or for sealing membrane roofs shall provide a minimum of one portable fire extinguisher complying with Section 906 and with a minimum 4-A rating, two portable fire extinguishers, each with a minimum 2-A rating, or a water hose connected to the water supply on the premises where such burning is done. The person doing the burning shall remain on the premises 1 hour after the torch or flame-producing device is utilized. The use of open flame burning or the use of high-temperature [in excess of 1000°F (538°C)] heat guns on painted surfaces in buildings of Use Group R that were constructed before 1978, Use Group E and Use Group I-2 buildings used as child care facilities, shall be prohibited unless the painted surfaces have been tested and found to be free of lead-based paint.

**308.4.1 Permit.** A permit in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7 shall be secured from the fire code official prior to the utilization of a torch or flame-producing device to remove paint to seal membrane roofs, or for any similar use in or around any building, structure or combustible material.

**308.5 Open-flame devices.** Torches and other devices, machines or processes liable to start or cause fire shall not be operated or used in or upon hazardous fire areas, except by a permit in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7 secured from the fire code official.

# *iii. The occasional use of any non-residential occupancy other than Use Groups F, H or S for group overnight stays of persons over 2 1/2 years of age, in accordance with section 408.14 of the Fire Prevention Code;*

**408.14.1 Permit required.** A separate permit shall be obtained for each nonconsecutive group overnight stay, not to exceed six nights in any calendar year. A facility that holds seven or more nonconsecutive group overnight stays within a calendar year shall be considered to have changed the use of the building or portion thereof if the activity involves planned periods of sleep and it shall be necessary to apply for and be issued a certificate of occupancy under the *Uniform Construction Code* for the new use.

**408.14.2 Application.** Each application for a permit shall include a fire safety and evacuation plan which shall include, but not be limited to, the following information:

1. Number and age of planned participants;

- 2. Number of adult supervisors;
- 3. Fire drill procedures;
- 4. Procedure for accounting for participants after evacuation has been completed;
- 5. The preferred means, and any alternative, for notifying participants of a fire or other emergency;
- 6. The preferred means, and any alternative, for reporting fires or other emergencies to the fire
- department or emergency response organization;
- 7. The type of fire protection system(s) provided; and
- 8. Floor plan per Section 408.14.3.

**408.14.3 Floor plan.** A floor plan of the building, or portion thereof, to be occupied, which identifies the locations of the following:

- 1. Exits;
- 2. Proposed sleeping area, if any;
- 3. Primary evacuation route;
- 4. Secondary evacuation route;
- 5. Accessible egress route(s), if available;
- 6. Fire alarm enunciator and control panel, if any; and
- 7. Manual fire alarm pull stations, if any.

**408.14.4 Means of egress.** The means of egress for the sleeping area shall comply with Sections 408.14.4.1 through 408.14.4.4.

**408.14.4.1 Exits.** Two exits shall be required for stories with less than 500 occupants. Three exits shall be required for stories with 501 to 1,000 occupants. Four exits shall be required for stories with more than 1,000 occupants. A single exit is permitted for the story at the level of exit discharge when the occupant load of the story does not exceed 50 and the exit access travel distance does not exceed 75 feet (22 860 mm).

**408.14.4.2 Means of egress doorways.** A minimum of two egress doorways shall be required for all rooms and spaces with an occupant load greater than 50 or in which the travel distance exceeds 75 feet (22 860 mm). All egress doors serving an occupant load greater than 50 shall swing in the direction of exit travel.

**408.14.4.3 Means of egress lighting.** Artificial lighting with an intensity of not less than one foot-candle (11 lux) at floor level shall be available during all times that the conditions of occupancy of the building require that the exits be available. In all buildings, rooms or spaces required to have more than one exit or exit access, means of egress lighting shall be connected to an emergency electrical system conforming

to the *Uniform Construction Code* except that continued illumination shall be required to be provided for not less than one hour in the case of primary power loss.

**408.14.4.4 Illuminated exit signs.** Illuminated exit signs shall be provided for all required means of egress in all buildings, rooms or spaces required to have more than one exit or exit access. Exit signs shall be visible from the exit access and supplemented by directional signs when necessary.

**Exception:** Approved main exterior doors that are clearly identified as exits are not required to have exit signs.

**408.14.5** Automatic alarms. The building or fire area containing the overnight stay shall be provided with an approved automatic fire detection system consisting of smoke detectors installed in accordance with the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**408.14.6 Fire drill.** A fire drill shall be conducted in accordance with the approved fire safety and evacuation plan upon arrival of all participants.

**408.14.7 Sleeping area restrictions.** Sleeping in rides, jungle mazes or other amusement-type equipment or other confined areas shall be prohibited.

**408.14.8 Supervision.** For all overnight stays involving persons under the age of 18, adult supervision consisting of persons at least 21 years of age shall be provided as follows:

ONE SUPERVISOR REQUIRED (a	) AGE GROUP OF CHILDREN
For every 2 children	Greater than 21/2 years of age to less than4 years of age
For every 4 children	4 years of age to less than 7 years of age
For every 8 children	7 years of age to less than 18 years of age

Note (a): For groups of children of mixed ages:

1. A minimum of one supervisor is required, unless the threshold for a specific age group requires additional supervisors and 2. When the total number of children of any age exceeds eight or when the total number of children less than 7 years of age exceeds four an additional supervisor shall be required. This condition applies even if the threshold of a specific age group has not been met.

3. For groups consisting of children of high school age, where the activity involves no planned period of sleep, supervision maybe reduced to one adult for each 25 children, provided no separate group of children, regardless of number, is without adult supervision.

## <u>iv. Individual portable kiosks or displays when erected in a covered mall for a</u> <u>period of less than 90 days, and when not covered by a Type 2 permit;</u>

# <u>v. The use of any open flame or flame-producing device, in connection with any public gathering, for purposes of entertainment, amusement, or recreation;</u>

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**308.1 General.** This section shall control open flames, fire and burning on all premises.

**308.2 Where prohibited.** A person shall not take or utilize an open flame or light in a structure, vessel, boat or other place where highly flammable, combustible or explosive material is utilized or stored. Lighting appliances shall be well-secured in a glass globe and wire mesh cage or a similar approved device.

**308.2.1 Throwing or placing sources of ignition.** No person shall throw or place, or cause to be thrown or placed, a lighted match, cigar, cigarette, matches, or other flaming or glowing substance or object on any surface or article where it can cause an unwanted fire.

**308.3 Open flame.** A person shall not utilize or allow to be utilized, an open flame in connection with a public meeting or gathering for purposes of deliberation, entertainment, amusement, instruction, education, recreation, awaiting transportation or similar purpose in Group A or E occupancies without first obtaining a permit in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7.

**308.3.1 Open-flame cooking devices and outdoor fireplaces.** Charcoal burners, other open-flame cooking devices and outdoor fireplaces shall not be operated or stored on combustible balconies or decks or within 5 feet (1524 mm) of combustible construction.

#### **Exceptions:**

- 1. Detached one- and two-family dwellings.
- 2. Where buildings, balconies and decks are protected by an automatic sprinkler system.

**308.3.1.1 Liquefied-petroleum-gas-fueled cooking devices.** Portable LP-gas cooking equipment such as barbecue grills and outdoor fireplaces shall not be stored or used:

1. On any porch, balcony or any other portion of a building;

- 2. Within any room or space of a building;
- 3. Within 5 feet (1524 mm) of any combustible exterior wall;
- 4. Within 5 feet (1524 mm), vertically or horizontally, of an opening in any wall; or
- 5. Under any building overhang.

Exception: Detached one- and two-family dwellings.

**308.3.2 Open-flame decorative devices.** Open-flame decorative devices shall comply with all of the following restrictions:

1. Class I and Class II liquids and LP-gas shall not be used.

2. Liquid- or solid-fueled lighting devices containing more than 8 ounces (237 ml) of fuel must selfextinguish and not leak fuel at a rate of more than 0.25 teaspoon per minute (1.26 ml per minute) if tipped over.

3. The device or holder shall be constructed to prevent the spillage of liquid fuel or wax at the rate of more than 0.25 teaspoon per minute (1.26 ml per minute) when the device or holder is not in an upright position.

4. The device or holder shall be designed so that it will return to the upright position after being tilted to an angle of 45 degrees from vertical.

**Exception:** Devices that self-extinguish if tipped over and do not spill fuel or wax at the rate of more than 0.25 teaspoon per minute (1.26 ml per minute) if tipped over.

5. The flame shall be enclosed except where openings on the side are not more than 0.375 inch (9.5 mm) diameter or where openings are on the top and the distance to the top is such that a piece of tissue paper placed on the top will not ignite in 10 seconds.

6. Chimneys shall be made of noncombustible materials and securely attached to the open-flame device.

**Exception:** A chimney is not required to be attached to any open-flame device that will self-extinguish if the device is tipped over.

7. Fuel canisters shall be safely sealed for storage.

8. Storage and handling of combustible liquids shall be in accordance with Chapter 34.

9. Shades, where used, shall be made of noncombustible materials and securely attached to the openflame device holder or chimney.

10. Candelabras with flame-lighted candles shall be securely fastened in place to prevent overturning, and shall be located away from occupants using the area and away from possible contact with drapes, curtains or other combustibles.

**308.3.3 Location near combustibles.** Open flames such as from candles, lanterns, kerosene heaters, and gas-fired heaters shall not be located on or near decorative material or similar combustible materials.

**308.3.4 Aisles and exits.** Candles shall be prohibited in areas where occupants stand, or in an aisle or exit.

308.3.5. Deleted.

**308.3.6 Theatrical performances.** Where approved, open-flame devices used in conjunction with theatrical performances are allowed to be used when adequate safety precautions have been taken in accordance with NFPA 160.

308.3.7 Group A occupancies. Open-flame devices shall not be used in a Group A occupancy.

#### **Exceptions:**

1. Open-flame devices are allowed to be used in the following situations, provided approved precautions are taken to prevent ignition of a combustible material or injury to occupants:

1.1. Where necessary for ceremonial or religious purposes.

1.2. On stages and platforms as a necessary part of a performance in accordance with Section 308.3.6.

1.3. Where candles on tables are securely supported on substantial noncombustible bases and the candle flames are protected.

2. Heat-producing equipment complying with Chapter 6 and the mechanical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

3. Gas lights are allowed to be used provided adequate precautions satisfactory to the fire code official are taken to prevent ignition of combustible materials.

**308.3.8 Group R-2 dormitories.** Candles, incense and similar open-flame-producing items shall not be allowed in sleeping units in Group R-2 dormitory occupancies.

**308.4 Torches for removing paint.** Persons utilizing a torch or other flame-producing device for removing paint from a structure or for sealing membrane roofs shall provide a minimum of one portable fire extinguisher complying with Section 906 and with a minimum 4-A rating, two portable fire extinguishers, each with a minimum 2-A rating, or a water hose connected to the water supply on the premises where such burning is done. The person doing the burning shall remain on the premises 1 hour after the torch or flame-producing device is utilized. The use of open flame burning or the use of high-temperature [in excess of 1000°F (538°C)] heat guns on painted surfaces in buildings of Use Group R that were constructed before 1978, Use Group E and Use Group I-2 buildings used as child care facilities, shall be prohibited unless the painted surfaces have been tested and found to be free of lead-based paint.

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**308.5 Open-flame devices.** Torches and other devices, machines or processes liable to start or cause fire shall not be operated or used in or upon hazardous fire areas, except by a permit in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7 secured from the fire code official.

**Exception:** Use within inhabited premises or designated campsites which are a minimum of 30 feet (9144 mm) from grass-, grain-, brush- or forest-covered areas.

**308.5.1 Signals and markers.** Flame-employing devices, such as lanterns or kerosene road flares, shall not be operated or used as a signal or marker in or upon hazardous fire areas.

**Exception:** The proper use of fusees at the scenes of emergencies or as required by standard railroad operating procedures.

**308.5.2 Portable fueled open-flame devices.** Portable open-flame devices fueled by flammable or combustible gases or liquids shall be enclosed or installed in such a manner as to prevent the flame from contacting combustible material.

#### **Exceptions:**

- 1. LP-gas-fueled devices used for sweating pipe joints or removing paint in accordance with Chapter 38.
- 2. Cutting and welding operations in accordance with Chapter 26.
- 3. Torches or flame-producing devices in accordance with Section 308.4.
- 4. Candles and open-flame decorative devices in accordance with Section 308.3.

**308.6 Flaming food and beverage preparation.** The preparation of flaming foods or beverages in places of assembly and drinking or dining establishments shall be in accordance with Sections 308.6.1 through 308.6.5.

**308.6.1 Dispensing.** Flammable or combustible liquids used in the preparation of flaming foods or beverages shall be dispensed from one of the following:

1. A 1-ounce (29.6 ml) container; or

2. A container not exceeding 1-quart (946.5 ml) capacity with a controlled pouring device that will limit the flow to a 1-ounce (29.6 ml) serving.

**308.6.2 Containers not in use.** Containers shall be secured to prevent spillage when not in use.

**308.6.3 Serving of flaming food.** The serving of flaming foods or beverages shall be done in a safe manner and shall not create high flames. The pouring, ladling or spooning of liquids is restricted to a maximum height of 8 inches (203 mm) above the receiving receptacle.

**308.6.4 Location.** Flaming foods or beverages shall be prepared only in the immediate vicinity of the table being serviced. They shall not be transported or carried while burning.

**308.6.5 Fire protection.** The person preparing the flaming foods or beverages shall have a wet cloth towel immediately available for use in smothering the flames in the event of an emergency.

# <u>vi. Welding or cutting operations except where the welding or cutting is</u> performed in areas approved for welding by the fire official and is registered as a type B life hazard use;

**2601.1 Scope.** Welding, cutting, open torches and other hot work operations and equipment shall comply with this chapter.

#### 2601.2. Deleted.

**2601.3 Restricted areas.** Hot work shall only be conducted in areas designed or authorized for that purpose by the personnel responsible for a Hot Work Program. Hot work shall not be conducted in the following areas unless approval has been obtained from the fire code official:

1. Areas where the sprinkler system is impaired.

2. Areas where there exists the potential of an explosive atmosphere, such as locations where flammable gases, liquids or vapors are present.

3. Areas with readily ignitable materials, such as storage of large quantities of bulk sulfur, baled paper, cotton, lint, dust or loose combustible materials.

4. On board ships at dock or ships under construction or repair.

5. At other locations as specified by the fire code official.

**2601.4 Cylinders and containers.** Compressed gas cylinders and fuel containers shall comply with this chapter and Chapter 30.

**2601.5 Design and installation of oxygen-fuel gas systems.** An oxygen-fuel gas system with two or more manifold cylinders of oxygen shall be in accordance with NFPA 51.

#### DEFINITIONS

**2602.1 Definitions.** The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this chapter and as used elsewhere in this code, have the meanings shown herein.

*HOT WORK.* Operations including cutting, welding, Thermit welding, brazing, soldering, grinding, thermal spraying, thawing pipe, installation of torch-applied roof systems or any other similar activity.

**HOT WORK AREA.** The area exposed to sparks, hot slag, radiant heat, or convective heat as a result of the hot work.

HOTWORK EQUIPMENT. Electric or gas welding or cutting equipment use for hot work.

#### HOT WORK PERMITS. Deleted.

**HOT WORK PROGRAM.** A program, carried out by approved facilities-designated personnel, allowing them to oversee hot work conducted by their personnel or at their facility. The intent is to have trained, on-site, responsible personnel ensure that required hot work safety measures are taken to prevent fires and fire spread.

**RESPONSIBLE PERSON.** A person trained in the safety and fire safety considerations concerned with hot work. Responsible for reviewing the sites prior to issuing approvals as part of the hot-work program and following up as the job progresses.

**TORCH-APPLIED ROOF SYSTEM.** Bituminous roofing systems using membranes that are adhered by heating with a torch and melting asphalt back coating instead of mopping hot asphalt for adhesion.

#### **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

2603.1 General. Hot work conditions and operations shall comply with this chapter and NFPA 51B.

**2603.2 Temporary and fixed hot-work areas.** Temporary and fixed hot work areas shall comply with this section.

**2603.3 Hot work program.** Hot work approvals, issued by a responsible person under a hot work program, shall be available for review by the fire code official at the time the work is conducted and for 48 hours after work is complete.

**2603.4 Qualifications of operators.** Approval for hot work operations shall not be issued unless the individuals in charge of performing such operations are capable of performing such operations safely. Demonstration of a working knowledge of the provisions of this chapter shall constitute acceptable evidence of compliance with this requirement.

**2603.5** *Records.* The individual responsible for the hot work area shall maintain "pre-work check" reports in accordance with Section 2604.3.1. These reports shall be maintained on the premises for a minimum of 48 hours after work is complete.

**2603.6 Signage.** Visible hazard identification signs shall be provided where required by Chapter 27. Where the hot work area is accessible to persons other than the operator of the hot work equipment, conspicuous signs shall be posted to warn others before they enter the hot work area. Such signs shall display the following warning:

#### CAUTION

#### HOT WORK IN PROGRESS

#### STAY CLEAR.

#### FIRE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

**2604.1** *Protection of combustibles.* Protection of combustibles shall be in accordance with Sections 2604.1.1 through 2604.1.9.

**2604.1.1** *Combustibles.* Hot work areas shall not contain combustibles or shall be provided with appropriate shielding to prevent sparks, slag or heat from igniting exposed combustibles.

**2604.1.2 Openings.** Openings or cracks in walls, floors, ducts or shafts within the hot work area shall be tightly covered to prevent the passage of sparks to adjacent combustible areas, or shielded by metal fire-resistant guards, or curtains shall be provided to prevent passage of sparks or slag.

**2604.1.3 Housekeeping.** Floors shall be kept clean within the hot work area.

**2604.1.4** Conveyor systems. Conveyor systems that are capable of carrying sparks to distant combustibles shall be shielded or shut down.

**2604.1.5** *Partitions.* Partitions segregating hot work areas from other areas of the building shall be noncombustible. In fixed hot work areas, the partitions shall be securely connected to the floor such that no gap exists between the floor and the partition. Partitions shall prevent the passage of sparks, slag, and heat from the hot work area.

2604.1.6 Floors. Fixed hot-work areas shall have floors with noncombustible surfaces.

**2604.1.7** *Precautions in hot work.* Hot work shall not be performed on containers or equipment that contains or has contained flammable liquids, gases or solids until the containers and equipment have been thoroughly cleaned, inerted or purged; except that "hot tapping" shall be allowed on tanks and pipe lines when such work is to be conducted by approved personnel.

**2604.1.8** Sprinkler protection. Automatic sprinkler protection shall not be shut off while hot work is performed. Where hot work is performed close to automatic sprinklers, noncombustible barriers or damp cloth guards shall shield the individual sprinkler heads and shall be removed when the work is completed. If the work extends over several days, the shields shall be removed at the end of each workday. The fire code official shall approve hot work where sprinkler protection is impaired.

**2604.1.9 Fire detection systems.** Approved special precautions shall be taken to avoid accidental operation of automatic fire detection systems.

**2604.2 Fire watch.** Fire watches shall be established and conducted in accordance with Sections 2604.2.1 through 2604.2.6.

**2604.2.1** When required. A fire watch shall be provided during hot-work activities and shall continue for a minimum of 30 minutes after the conclusion of the work. The fire code official, or the responsible manager under a hot work program, is authorized to extend the fire watch based on the hazards or work being performed.

**Exception**: Where the hot work area has no fire hazards or combustible exposures.

**2604.2.2** Location. The fire watch shall include the entire hot work area. Hot work conducted in areas with vertical or horizontal fire exposures that are not observable by a single individual shall have additional personnel assigned to fire watches to ensure that exposed areas are monitored.

**2604.2.3 Duties.** Individuals designated to fire watch duty shall have fire-extinguishing equipment readily available and shall be trained in the use of such equipment. Individuals assigned to fire watch duty shall be responsible for extinguishing spot fires and communicating an alarm.

**2604.2.4 Fire training.** The individuals responsible for performing the hot work and individuals responsible for providing the fire watch shall be trained in the use of portable fire extinguishers.

**2604.2.5 Fire hoses.** Where hose lines are required, they shall be connected, charged and ready for operation.

**2604.2.6 Fire extinguisher.** A minimum of one portable fire extinguisher complying with Section 906 and with a minimum 2-A:20-B:C rating shall be readily accessible within 30 feet (9144 mm) of the location where hot work is performed.

**2604.3** Area reviews. Before hot-work is permitted and at least once per day while the permit is in effect, the area shall be inspected by the individual responsible for authorizing hot work operations to ensure that it is a fire safe area. Information shown on the permit shall be verified prior to signing the permit.

**2604.3.1 Pre-hot-work check.** A pre-hot-work check shall be conducted prior to work to ensure that all equipment is safe and hazards are recognized and protected. A report of the check shall be kept at the work site during the work and available upon request. The pre-hot-work check shall determine all of the following:

1. Hot work equipment to be used shall be in satisfactory operating condition and in good repair.

- 2. Hot work site is clear of combustibles or combustibles are protected.
- 3. Exposed construction is of noncombustible materials or, if combustible, then protected.
- 4. Openings are protected.
- 5. Floors are kept clean.
- 6. No exposed combustibles are located on the opposite side of partitions, walls, ceilings or floors.
- 7. Fire watches, where required, are assigned.

8. Approved actions have been taken to prevent accidental activation of suppression and detection equipment in accordance with Sections 2604.1.8 and 2604.1.9.

9. Fire extinguishers and fire hoses (where provided) are operable and available.

#### GAS WELDING AND CUTTING

**2605.1 General.** Devices or attachments mixing air or oxygen with combustible gases prior to consumption, except at the burner or in a standard torch or blow pipe, shall not be allowed unless approved.

**2605.2** Cylinder and container storage, handling and use. Storage, handling and use of compressed gas cylinders, containers and tanks shall be in accordance with this section and Chapter 30.

**2605.3 Precautions.** Cylinders, valves, regulators, hose and other apparatus and fittings for oxygen shall be kept free from oil or grease. Oxygen cylinders, apparatus and fittings shall not be handled with oily hands, oily gloves, or greasy tools or equipment.

**2605.4 Acetylene gas.** Acetylene gas shall not be piped except in approved cylinder manifolds and cylinder manifold connections, or utilized at a pressure exceeding 15 pounds per square inch gauge (psig) (103 kPa) unless dissolved in a suitable solvent in cylinders manufactured in accordance with DOTn 49 CFR. Acetylene gas shall not be brought in contact with unalloyed copper, except in a blowpipe or torch.

**2605.5 Remote locations.** Oxygen and fuel-gas cylinders and acetylene generators shall be located away from the hot work area to prevent such cylinders or generators from being heated by radiation from heated materials, sparks or slag, or misdirection of the torch flame.

**2605.6 Cylinders shutoff.** The torch valve shall be closed and the gas supply to the torch completely shut off when gas welding or cutting operations are discontinued for a period of 1 hour or more.

**2605.7** Prohibited operation. Welding or cutting work shall not be held or supported on compressed gas cylinders or containers.

**2605.8 Tests.** Tests for leaks in piping systems and equipment shall be made with soapy water. The use of flames shall be prohibited for leak testing.

#### ELECTRIC ARC HOT WORK

**2606.1 General.** The frame or case of electric hot work machines, except internal-combustion-enginedriven machines, shall be grounded. Ground connections shall be mechanically strong and electrically adequate for the required current.

**2606.2 Return circuits.** Welding current return circuits from the work to the machine shall have proper electrical contact at joints. The electrical contact shall be periodically inspected.

**2606.3 Disconnecting.** Electrodes shall be removed from the holders when electric arc welding or cutting is discontinued for any period of 1 hour or more. The holders shall be located to prevent accidental contact and the machines shall be disconnected from the power source.

**2606.4 Emergency disconnect.** A switch or circuit breaker shall be provided so that fixed electric welders and control equipment can be disconnected from the supply circuit. The disconnect shall be installed in accordance with the electrical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**2606.5 Damaged cable.** Damaged cable shall be removed from service until properly repaired or replaced.

#### **CALCIUM CARBIDE SYSTEMS**

**2607.1 Calcium carbide storage.** Storage and handling of calcium carbide shall comply with Chapter 27 of this code and Chapter 9 of NFPA 51.

#### **ACETYLENE GENERATORS**

**2608.1 Use of acetylene generators.** The use of acetylene generators shall comply with this section and Chapter 4 of NFPA 51A.

**2608.2 Portable generators.** The minimum volume of rooms containing portable generators shall be 35 times the total gas-generating capacity per charge of all generators in the room. The gas-generating capacity in cubic feet per charge shall be assumed to be 4.5 times the weight of carbide per charge in pounds. The minimum ceiling height of rooms containing generators shall be 10 feet (3048 mm). An acetylene generator shall not be moved by derrick, crane or hoist while charged.

**2608.3 Protection against freezing.** Generators shall be located where water will not freeze. Common salt such as sodium chloride or other corrosive chemicals shall not be utilized for protection against freezing.

#### PIPING MANIFOLDS AND HOSE SYSTEMS FOR FUEL GASES AND OXYGEN

**2609.1 General.** The use of piping manifolds and hose systems shall be in accordance with Section 2609.2 through 2609.7, Chapter 30 and Chapter 5 of NFPA 51.

2609.2 Protection. Piping shall be protected against physical damage.

**2609.3 Signage.** Signage shall be provided for piping and hose systems as follows:

- 1. Above-ground piping systems shall be marked in accordance with ASME A13.1.
- 2. Station outlets shall be marked to indicate their intended usage.
- 3. Signs shall be posted, indicating clearly the location and identity of section shutoff valves.

**2609.4 Manifolding of cylinders.** Oxygen manifolds shall not be located in an acetylene generator room. Oxygen manifolds shall be located at least 20 feet (6096 mm) away from combustible material such as oil or grease, and gas cylinders containing flammable gases, unless the gas cylinders are separated by a fire partition.

**2609.5 Identification of manifolds.** Signs shall be posted for oxygen manifolds with service pressures not exceeding 200 psig (1379 kPa). Such signs shall include the words:

#### LOW-PRESSURE MANIFOLD

#### DO NOT CONNECT HIGH-PRESSURE CYLINDERS

#### **MAXIMUM PRESSURE 250 PSIG**

**2609.6 Clamps.** Hose connections shall be clamped or otherwise securely fastened.

**2609.7 Inspection.** Hoses shall be inspected frequently for leaks, burns, wear, loose connections or other defects rendering the hose unfit for service.

# vii. The possession or use of explosives or blasting agents, other than model rocketry engines regulated under N.J.A.C. 12:194;

**3301.1.1 Explosive material standard.** In addition to the requirements of this chapter, NFPA 495 shall govern the manufacture, transportation, storage, sale, handling and use of explosive materials.

**3301.1.2 Explosive material terminals.** In addition to the requirements of this chapter, the operation of explosive material terminals shall conform to the provisions of NFPA 498. and high-power rockets shall comply with the requirements of NFPA 1122, NFPA 1125, and NFPA 1127.

**3301.1.5 Ammonium nitrate.** The storage and handling of ammonium nitrate shall comply with the requirements of NFPA 490 and Chapter 40.

**Exception:** Storage of ammonium nitrate in magazines with blasting agents shall comply with the requirements of NFPA 495.

3301.2. Deleted.

**3301.2.1 Residential uses.** No person shall keep or store, nor shall any permit be issued to keep or store, any explosives at any place of habitation, or within 100 feet (30 480 mm) thereof.

**Exception:** Storage of smokeless propellant, black powder, and small arms primers for personal use and not for resale in accordance with Section 3306.

**3301.2.2 Sale and retail display.** No person shall construct a retail display nor manufacture, store, offer or expose for sale explosives, explosive materials, or fireworks, except for the approved supervised display of fireworks.

**3301.2.3 Permit restrictions.** The fire code official is authorized to limit the quantity of explosives, explosive materials, or fireworks permitted at a given location. No person, possessing a permit for storage of explosives at any place, shall keep or store an amount greater than authorized in such permit. Only the kind of explosive specified in such a permit shall be kept or stored.

**3301.2.4 Financial responsibility.** Before a permit is issued, as required by N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7, the applicant must comply with Sections 3301.2.4.1 through 3301.2.4.4.

**3301.2.4.1 Blasting.** Any self-employed person in possession of a valid permit to use explosives for blasting purposes, issued by the New Jersey Department of Labor pursuant to N.J.A.C. 12:190-3.11, shall have an insurance coverage for blasting damage of not less than \$500,000 for property damage

including explosion, collapse, and underground utility damage and of \$500,000 to \$1,000,000 for personal injury.

 Any person in possession of a valid permit to use explosives for blasting purposes, as outlined above, and who is not self-employed, shall not use explosives unless the employer is insured as specified above.
Proof of the possession of a valid insurance policy covering blasting damage shall be readily available for inspection at the site.

3. Nothing in this section shall be construed as preventing greater insurance coverage for damage from blasting when requested by any person for whom blasting is being performed.

**3301.3 Prohibited explosives.** Permits shall not be issued or renewed for possession, manufacture, storage, handling, sale or use of the following materials and such materials currently in storage or use shall be disposed of in an approved manner.

1. Liquid nitroglycerin.

2. Dynamite containing more than 60-percent liquid explosive ingredient.

3. Dynamite having an unsatisfactory absorbent or one that permits leakage of a liquid explosive ingredient under any conditions liable to exist during storage.

4. Nitrocellulose in a dry and uncompressed condition in a quantity greater than 10 pounds (4.54 kg) of net weight in one package.

5. Fulminate of mercury in a dry condition and fulminate of all other metals in any condition except as a component of manufactured articles not hereinafter forbidden.

6. Explosive compositions that ignite spontaneously or undergo marked decomposition, rendering the products of their use more hazardous, when subjected for 48 consecutive hours or less to a temperature of 167°F (75°C).

7. New explosive materials until approved by DOTn, except that permits are allowed to be issued to educational, governmental or industrial laboratories for instructional or research purposes.

8. Explosive materials condemned by DOTn.

9. Explosive materials containing an ammonium salt and a chlorate.

10. Explosives not packed or marked as required by DOTn 49 CFR, Parts 100-178.

Exception: Gelatin dynamite.

**3301.4 Qualifications.** Persons in charge of magazines, blasting, fireworks display, or pyrotechnic special effect operations shall not be under the influence of alcohol or drugs which impair sensory or motor skills, shall be at least 21 years of age, and shall demonstrate knowledge of all safety precautions related to the storage, handling or use of explosives, explosive materials or fireworks.

**3301.5 Supervision.** The fire code official is authorized to require operations permitted under the provisions of Section 3301.2 to be supervised at any time by the fire code official in order to determine compliance with all safety and fire regulations.

**3301.6 Notification.** Whenever a new explosive material storage or manufacturing site is established, including a temporary job site, the local law enforcement agency, fire department, and local emergency

planning committee shall be notified 48 hours in advance, not including Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, of the type, quantity and location of explosive materials at the site.

**3301.7 Seizure.** The fire code official is authorized to remove or cause to be removed or disposed of in an approved manner, at the expense of the owner, explosives, explosive materials or fireworks offered or exposed for sale, stored, possessed or used in violation of this chapter.

**3301.8 Establishment of quantity of explosives and distances.** The quantity of explosives and distances shall be in accordance with Sections 3301.8.1 and 3301.8.1.1.

**3301.8.1 Quantity of explosives.** The quantity-distance (Q-D) tables in Sections 3304.5 and 3305.3 shall be used to provide the minimum separation distances from potential explosion sites as set forth in Tables 3301.8.1(1) through 3301.8.1(3). The classification and the weight of the explosives are primary characteristics governing the use of these tables. The net explosive weight shall be determined in accordance with Sections 3301.8.1.1 through 3301.8.1.4.

#### **RECORD KEEPING AND REPORTING**

**3303.1 General.** Records of the receipt, handling, use or disposal of explosive materials, and reports of any accidents, thefts, or unauthorized activities involving explosive materials shall conform to the requirements of this section.

**3303.2 Transaction record.** The permittee shall maintain a record of all transactions involving receipt, removal, use or disposal of explosive materials. Such a record shall be maintained for a period of five years, and shall be furnished to the fire code official for inspection upon request.

**Exception:** Where only Division 1.4G (consumer fireworks) are handled, records need only be maintained for a period of three years.

**3303.3 Loss, theft or unauthorized removal.** The loss, theft or unauthorized removal of explosive materials from a magazine or permitted facility shall be reported to the fire code official, local law enforcement authorities, and the U.S. Department of Treasury, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms within 24 hours.

**Exception:** Loss of Division 1.4G (consumer fireworks) need not be reported to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

**3303.4 Accidents.** Accidents involving the use of explosives, explosive materials and fireworks, which result in injuries or property damage, shall be reported to the fire code official immediately.

**3303.5 Misfires.** The pyrotechnic display operator or blaster in charge shall keep a record of all aerial shells that fail to fire or charges that fail to detonate.

**3303.6 Hazard communication.** Manufacturers of explosive materials and fireworks shall maintain records of chemicals, chemical compounds and mixtures required by DOL 29 CFR, Part 1910.1200, and Section 407.

**3303.7 Safety rules.** Current safety rules covering the operation of magazines, as described in Section 3304.7, shall be posted on the interior of the magazine in a visible location.

#### **EXPLOSIVE MATERIALS STORAGE AND HANDLING**

**3304.1 General.** Storage of explosives and explosive materials, small arms ammunition, small arms primers, propellant- actuated cartridges and smokeless propellants in magazines, shall comply with the provisions of this section.

**3304.2 Magazine required.** Explosives and explosive materials, and Division 1.3G fireworks shall be stored in magazines constructed, located, operated and maintained in accordance with the provisions of Section 3304 and NFPA 495 or NFPA 1124.

#### **Exceptions:**

Storage of fireworks at display sites in accordance with Section 3308.5 andNFPA1123 orNFPA1126.
Portable or mobile magazines not exceeding 120 square feet (11 m2) in area shall not be required to comply with the requirements of the building sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**3304.3 Magazines.** The storage of explosives and explosive materials in magazines shall comply with Table 3304.3.

**3304.3.1 High explosives.** Explosive materials classified as Division 1.1 or 1.2 or formerly classified as Class A by the U.S. Department of Transportation shall be stored in Type 1, 2 or 3 magazines.

#### **Exceptions:**

1. Black powder shall be stored in a Type 1, 2, 3 or 4 magazine.

2. Cap-sensitive explosive material that is demonstrated not to be bullet sensitive, shall be stored in a Type 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 magazine.

**3304.3.2** Low explosives. Explosive materials that are not cap sensitive shall be stored in a Type 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 magazine.

**3304.3.3 Detonating cord.** For quantity and distance purposes, detonating cord of 50 grains per foot shall be calculated as equivalent to 8 pounds (4 kg) of high explosives per 1,000 feet (305 m). Heavier or lighter core loads shall be rated proportionally.

**3304.4 Prohibited storage.** Detonators shall be stored in a separate magazine for blasting supplies and shall not be stored in a magazine with other explosive materials.

**3304.5 Location.** The use of magazines for storage of explosives and explosive materials shall comply with Sections 3304.5.1 through 3304.5.3.3.

**3304.5.1 Indoor magazines.** The use of indoor magazines for storage of explosives and explosive materials shall comply with the requirements of this section.

**3304.5.1.1 Use.** The use of indoor magazines for storage of explosives and explosive materials shall be limited to occupancies of Group F, H, M or S, and research and development laboratories.

**3304.5.1.2 Construction.** Indoor magazines shall comply with the following construction requirements:

1. Construction shall be fire resistant and theft resistant.

2. Exterior shall be painted red.

3. Base shall be fitted with wheels, casters or rollers to facilitate removal from the building in an emergency.

4. Lid or door shall be marked with conspicuous white lettering not less than 3 inches (76 mm) high and minimum 1/2 inch (12.7 mm) stroke, reading

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5. The least horizontal dimension shall not exceed the clear width of the entrance door.

**3304.5.1.3 Quantity limit.** Not more than 50 pounds (23 kg) of explosives or explosive materials shall be stored within an indoor magazine.

**Exception:** Day boxes used for the storage of in-process material in accordance with Section 3305.6.4.1.

**3304.5.1.4 Prohibited use.** Indoor magazines shall not be used within buildings containing Group R occupancies.

**3304.5.1.5 Location.** Indoor magazines shall be located within 10 feet (3048 mm) of an entrance and only on floors at or having ramp access to the exterior grade level.

**3304.5.1.6 Number.** Not more than two indoor magazines shall be located in the same building. Where two such magazines are located in the same building, one magazine shall be used solely for the storage of not more than 5,000 detonators.

**3304.5.1.7 Separation distance.** When two magazines are located in the same building, they shall be separated by a distance of not less than 10 feet (3048 mm).

**3304.5.2 Outdoor magazines.** All outdoor magazines other than Type 3 shall be located so as to comply with Table 3304.5.2(2) or Table 3304.5.2(3) as set forth in Tables 3301.8.1(1) through 3301.8.1(3). Where a magazine or group of magazines, as described in Section 3304.5.2.2, contains different classes of explosive materials, and Division 1.1 materials are present, the required separations for the magazine or magazine group as a whole shall comply with Table 3304.5.2(2).

**3304.5.2.1 Separation.** Where two or more storage magazines are located on the same property, each magazine shall comply with the minimum distances specified from inhabited buildings, public transportation routes and operating buildings. Magazines shall be separated from each other by not less than the intermagazine distances (IMD) shown for the separation of magazines.

**3304.5.2.2 Grouped magazines.** Where two or more magazines are separated from each other by less than the intermagazine distances (IMD), such magazines as a group shall be considered as one magazine and the total quantity of explosive materials stored in the group shall be treated as if stored in a single

magazine. The location of the group of magazines shall comply with the intermagazine distances (IMD) specified from other magazines or magazine groups, inhabited buildings (IBD), public transportation routes (PTR) and operating buildings (ILD or IPD) as required.

**3304.5.3 Special requirements for Type 3 magazines.** Type 3 magazines shall comply with Sections 3304.5.3.1 through 3304.5.3.3.

**3304.5.3.1 Location.** Wherever practicable, Type 3 magazines shall be located away from neighboring inhabited buildings, railways, highways, and other magazines in accordance with Table 3304.5.2(2) or 3304.5.2(3) as applicable.

**3304.5.3.2 Supervision.** Type 3 magazines shall be attended when explosive materials are stored within. Explosive materials shall be removed to appropriate storage magazines for unattended storage at the end of the work day.

**3304.5.3.3 Use.** Not more than two Type 3 magazines shall be located at the same blasting site. Where two Type 3 magazines are located at the same blasting site, one magazine shall used solely for the storage of detonators.

**3304.6 Construction.** Magazines shall be constructed in accordance with Sections 3304.6.1 through 3304.6.5.2.

**3304.6.1 Drainage.** The ground around a magazine shall be graded so that water drains away from the magazine.

**3304.6.2 Heating.** Magazines requiring heat shall be heated as prescribed in NFPA 495 by either hot water radiant heating within the magazine or by indirect warm air heating.

**3304.6.3 Lighting.** When lighting is necessary within a magazine, electric safety flashlights or electric safety lanterns shall be used, except as provided in NFPA 495.

**3304.6.4** Non-sparking materials. In other than Type 5 magazines, there shall be no exposed ferrous metal on the interior of a magazine containing packages of explosives.

**3304.6.5 Signs and placards.** Property upon which Type 1 magazines and outdoor magazines of Types 2, 4 and 5 are located shall be posted with signs stating:

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These signs shall be of contrasting colors with a minimum letter height of 3 inches (76 mm) with a minimum brush stroke of 0.5 inch (12.7 mm). The signs shall be located to minimize the possibility of a bullet shot at the sign hitting the magazine.

**3304.6.5.1** Access road signs. At the entrance to explosive material manufacturing and storage sites, all access roads shall be posted with the following warning sign or other approved sign:

#### DANGER!

#### **NEVER FIGHT EXPLOSIVE FIRES.**

#### **EXPLOSIVES ARE STORED ON THIS SITE**

#### CALL \_\_\_\_\_.

The sign shall be weather resistant with a reflective surface and have lettering at least 2 inches (51 mm)high.

**3304.6.5.2 Placards.** Type 5 magazines containing Division 1.5 blasting agents shall be prominently placarded as required during transportation by DOTn 49 CFR, Part 172 and DOTy 27 CFR, Part 55.

**3304.7 Operation.** Magazines shall be operated in accordance with Sections 3304.7.1 through 3304.7.9.

**3304.7.1 Security.** Magazines shall be kept locked in the manner prescribed in NFPA 495 at all times except during placement or removal of explosives or inspection.

**3304.7.2 Open flames and lights.** Smoking, matches, flame-producing devices, open flames, firearms and firearms cartridges shall not be allowed inside of or within 50 feet (15 240 mm) of magazines.

**3304.7.3 Brush.** The area located around a magazine shall be kept clear of brush, dried grass, leaves, trash, debris, and similar combustible materials for a distance of 25 feet (7620 mm).

**3304.7.4 Combustible storage.** Combustible materials shall not be stored within 50 feet (15 240 mm)of magazines.

**3304.7.5 Unpacking and repacking explosive materials.** Containers of explosive materials, except fiberboard containers, and packages of damaged or deteriorated explosive materials or fireworks shall not be unpacked or repacked inside or within 50 feet (15 240 mm) of a magazine or in close proximity to other explosive materials.

**3304.7.5.1 Storage of opened packages.** Packages of explosive materials that have been opened shall be closed before being placed in a magazine.

**3304.7.5.2** Non-sparking tools. Tools used for the opening and closing of packages of explosive materials, other than metal slitters for opening paper, plastic or fiberboard containers, shall be made of non-sparking materials.

**3304.7.5.3** Disposal of packaging. Empty containers and paper and fiber packaging materials that previously contained explosive materials shall be disposed of or reused in a approved manner.

**3304.7.6 Tools and equipment.** Metal tools, other than nonferrous transfer conveyors and ferrous metal conveyor stands protected by a coat of paint, shall not be stored in a magazine containing explosive materials or detonators.

**3304.7.7 Contents.** Magazines shall be used exclusively for the storage of explosive materials, blasting materials and blasting accessories.

**3304.7.8 Compatibility.** Corresponding grades and brands of explosive materials shall be stored together and in such a manner that the grade and brand marks are visible. Stocks shall be stored so as to be easily counted and checked. Packages of explosive materials shall be stacked in a stable manner not exceeding 8 feet (2438 mm) in height.

**3304.7.9 Stock rotation.** When explosive material is removed from a magazine for use, the oldest usable stocks shall be removed first.

**3304.8** Maintenance. Maintenance of magazines shall comply with Sections 3304.8.1 through 3304.8.3.

**3304.8.1 Housekeeping.** Magazine floors shall be regularly swept and be kept clean, dry and free of grit, paper, empty packages and rubbish. Brooms and other cleaning utensils shall not have any spark-producing metal parts. Sweepings from magazine floors shall be disposed of in accordance with the manufacturers' approved instructions.

**3304.8.2 Repairs.** Explosive materials shall be removed from the magazine before making repairs to the interior of a magazine. Explosive materials shall be removed from the magazine before making repairs to the exterior of the magazine where there is a possibility of causing a fire. Explosive materials removed from a magazine under repair shall either be placed in another magazine or placed a safe distance from the magazine, where they shall be properly guarded and protected until repairs have been completed. Upon completion of repairs, the explosive materials shall be promptly returned to the magazine. Floors shall be cleaned before and after repairs.

**3304.8.3 Floors.** Magazine floors stained with liquid shall be dealt with according to instructions obtained from the manufacturer of the explosive material stored in the magazine.

**3304.9 Inspection.** Magazines containing explosive materials shall be opened and inspected at maximum seven-day intervals. The inspection shall determine whether there has been an unauthorized or attempted entry into a magazine or an unauthorized removal of a magazine or its contents.

**3304.10** Disposal of explosive materials. Explosive materials shall be disposed of in accordance with Sections 3304.10.1 through 3304.10.7.

**3304.10.1** Notification. The fire code official shall be notified immediately when deteriorated or leaking explosive materials are determined to be dangerous or unstable and in need of disposal.

**3304.10.2 Deteriorated materials.** When an explosive material has deteriorated to an extent that it is in an unstable or dangerous condition, or when a liquid has leaked from an explosive material, the person in possession of such material shall immediately contact the material's manufacturer to obtain disposal and handling instructions.

**3304.10.3 Qualified person.** The work of destroying explosive materials shall be directed by persons experienced in the destruction of explosive materials.

**3304.10.4 Storage of misfires.** Explosive materials and fireworks recovered from blasting or display misfires shall be placed in a magazine until an experienced person has determined the proper method for disposal.

**3304.10.5 Disposal sites.** Sites for the destruction of explosive materials and fireworks shall be approved and located at the maximum practicable safe distance from inhabited buildings, public highways, operating buildings, and all other exposures to ensure keeping air blast and ground vibration to a minimum. The location of disposal sites shall be no closer to magazines, inhabited buildings, railways, 3304.5.2(1), 3304.5.2(2) and 3304.5.2(3). When possible, barricades shall be utilized between the destruction site and inhabited buildings. Areas where explosives are detonated or burned shall be posted with adequate warning signs.

**3304.10.6 Reuse of site.** Unless an approved burning site has been thoroughly saturated with water and has passed a safety inspection, 48 hours shall elapse between the completion of a burn and the placement of scrap explosive materials for a subsequent burn.

**3304.10.7 Personnel safeguards.** Once an explosive burn operation has been started, personnel shall relocate to a safe location where adequate protection from air blast and flying debris is provided. Personnel shall not return to the burn area until the person in charge has inspected the burn site and determined that it is safe for personnel to return.

#### MANUFACTURE, ASSEMBLY AND TESTING OF EXPLOSIVES, EXPLOSIVE MATERIALS AND FIREWORKS

**3305.1 General.** The manufacture, assembly and testing of explosives, ammunition, blasting agents and fireworks shall comply with the requirements of this section and NFPA 495 or NFPA 1124.

#### **Exceptions:**

1. The hand loading of small arms ammunition prepared for personal use and not offered for resale.

2. The mixing and loading of blasting agents at blasting sites in accordance with NFPA 495.

3. The use of binary explosives or plosophoric materials in blasting or pyrotechnic special effects applications in accordance with NFPA 495 or NFPA 1126.

**3305.2 Emergency planning and preparedness.** Emergency plans, emergency drills, employee training and hazard communication shall conform to the provisions of this section and Sections 404, 405, 406 and 407.

**3305.2.1** Hazardous Materials Management Plans and Inventory Statements required. Detailed Hazardous Materials Management Plans (HMMP) and Hazardous Materials Inventory Statements (HMIS) complying with the requirements of Section 407 shall be prepared and submitted to the local emergency planning committee, the fire code official, and the local fire department.

**3305.2.2 Maintenance of plans.** A copy of the required HMMP and HMIS shall be maintained on site and furnished to the fire code official on request.

**3305.2.3 Employee training.** Workers who handle explosives or explosive charges or dispose of explosives shall be trained in the hazards of the materials and processes in which they are to be engaged and with the safety rules governing such materials and processes.

**3305.2.4 Emergency procedures.** Approved emergency procedures shall be formulated for each plant which will include personal instruction in any emergency that may be anticipated. All personnel shall be made aware of an emergency warning signal.

**3305.3 Intraplant separation of operating buildings.** Explosives manufacturing buildings and fireworks manufacturing buildings, including those where explosive charges are assembled, manufactured, prepared or loaded utilizing Division 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4 or 1.5 explosives, shall be separated from all other buildings, including magazines, within the confines of the manufacturing plant, at a distance not less than those shown in Table 3305.3 or 3304.5.2(3), as appropriate.

**Exception:** Fireworks manufacturing buildings separated in accordance with NFPA 1124. The quantity of explosives in an operating building shall be the net weight of all explosives contained therein. Distances shall be based on the hazard division requiring the greatest separation, unless the aggregate explosive weight is divided by approved walls or shields designed for that purpose. When dividing a quantity of explosives into smaller stacks, a suitable barrier or adequate separation distance shall be provided to prevent propagation from one stack to another. When distance is used as the sole means of separation within a building, such distance shall be established by testing. Testing shall demonstrate that propagation between stacks will not result. Barriers provided to protect against explosive effects shall be designed and installed in accordance with approved standards.

**3305.4 Separation of manufacturing operating buildings from inhabited buildings, public traffic routes and magazines.** When an operating building on an explosive materials plant site is designed to contain explosive materials, such a building shall be located away from inhabited buildings, public traffic routes and magazines in accordance with Table 3304.5.2(2) or 3304.5.2(3) as appropriate, based on the maximum quantity of explosive materials permitted to be in the building at one time (see Section 3301.8).

**Exception:** Fireworks manufacturing buildings constructed and operated in accordance with NFPA 1124.

**3305.4.1 Determination of net explosive weight for operating buildings.** In addition to the requirements of Section 3301.8 to determine the net explosive weight for materials stored or used in operating buildings, quantities of explosive materials stored in magazines located at distances less than intraline distances from the operating building shall be added to the contents of the operating building to determine the net explosive weight for the operating building.

**3305.4.1.1 Indoor magazines.** The storage of explosive materials located in indoor magazines in operating buildings shall be limited to a net explosive weight not to exceed 50 pounds (23 kg).

**3305.4.1.2 Outdoor magazines with a net explosive weight less than 50 pounds.** The storage of explosive materials in outdoor magazines located at less than intraline distances from operating buildings shall be limited to a net explosive weight not to exceed 50 pounds (23 kg).

**3305.5.2 Exhaust fans.** Squirrel cage blowers shall not be used for exhausting hazardous fumes, vapors or gases. Only nonferrous fan blades shall be used for fans located within the ductwork and through which hazardous materials are exhausted. Motors shall be located outside the duct.

**3305.5.3 Work stations.** Work stations shall be separated by distance, barrier or other approved alternatives so that fire in one station will not ignite material in another work station. Where necessary, the operator shall be protected by a personnel shield located between the operator and the explosive device or explosive material being processed. This shield and its support shall be capable of withstanding a blast from the maximum amount of explosives allowed behind it.

**3305.6 Operations.** Operations involving explosives shall comply with Sections 3305.6.1 through 3305.6.10.

**3305.6.1 Isolation of operations.** When the type of material and processing warrants, mechanical operations involving explosives in excess of 1 pound (0.454 kg) shall be carried on at isolated stations or at intraplant distances, and machinery shall be controlled from remote locations behind barricades or at separations so that workers will be at a safe distance while machinery is operating.

**3305.6.2 Static controls.** The work area where the screening, grinding, blending and other processing of static-sensitive explosives or pyrotechnic materials is done shall be provided with approved static controls.

**3305.6.3** Approved containers. Bulk explosives shall be kept in approved, non-sparking containers when not being used or processed. Explosives shall not be stored or transported in open containers.

**3305.6.4 Quantity limits.** The quantity of explosives at any particular work station shall be limited to that posted on the load limit signs for the individual work station. The total quantity of explosives for multiple workstations shall not exceed that established by the intraplant distances in Table 3305.3 or 3304.5.2(3), as appropriate.

**3305.6.4.1 Magazines.** Magazines used for storage in processing areas shall be in accordance with the requirements of Section 3304.5.1. All explosive materials shall be removed to appropriate storage magazines for unattended storage at the end of the work day. The contents of indoor magazines shall be added to the quantity of explosives contained at individual workstations and the total quantity of material stored, processed or used shall be utilized to establish the intraplant separation distances indicated by Table 3305.3 or 3304.5.2(3), as appropriate.

**3305.6.5 Waste disposal.** Approved receptacles with covers shall be provided for each location for disposing of waste material and debris. These waste receptacles shall be emptied and cleaned as often as necessary but not less than once each day or at the end of each shift.

**3305.6.6 Safety rules.** General safety rules and operating instructions governing the particular operation or process conducted at that location shall be available at each location.

**3305.6.7 Personnel limits.** The number of occupants in each process building and in each magazine shall not exceed the number necessary for proper conduct of production operations.

**3305.6.8** Pyrotechnic and explosive composition quantity limits. Not more than 500 pounds (227 kg) of pyrotechnic or explosive composition, including not more than 10 pounds (5 kg) of salute powder shall be allowed at one time in any process building or area. All compositions not in current use shall be kept in covered nonferrous containers.

**Exception:** Composition that has been loaded or pressed into tubes or other containers as consumer fireworks.

**3305.6.9 Posting limits.** The maximum number of occupants and maximum weight of pyrotechnic and explosive composition permitted in each process building shall be posted in a conspicuous location in each process building or magazine.

**3305.6.10 Heat sources.** Fireworks, explosives or explosive charges in explosive materials manufacturing, assembly or testing shall not be stored near any source of heat.

Exception: Approved drying or curing operations.

**3305.7 Maintenance.** Maintenance and repair of explosives-manufacturing facilities and areas shall comply with Section 3304.8.

**3305.8 Explosive materials testing sites.** Detonation of explosive materials or ignition of fireworks for testing purposes shall be done only in isolated areas at sites where distance, protection from missiles, shrapnel or fly rock, and other safeguards provides protection against injury to personnel or damage to property.

**3305.8.1 Protective clothing and equipment.** Protective clothing and equipment shall be provided to protect persons engaged in the testing, ignition or detonation of explosive materials.

**3305.8.2 Site security.** When tests are being conducted or explosives are being detonated, only authorized persons shall be present. Areas where explosives are regularly or frequently detonated or burned shall be approved and posted with adequate warning signs. Warning devices shall be activated before burning or detonating explosives to alert persons approaching from any direction that they are approaching a danger zone.

**3305.9 Waste disposal.** Disposal of explosive materials waste from manufacturing, assembly or testing operations shall be in accordance with Section 3304.10.

#### SMALL ARMS AMMUNITION

**3306.1 General.** Indoor storage and display of black powder, smokeless propellants and small arms ammunition shall comply with this section and NFPA 495.

**3306.2** Prohibited storage. Small arms ammunition shall not be stored together with Division 1.1, Division 1.2 or Division 1.3 explosives unless the storage facility is suitable for the storage of explosive materials.

**3306.3 Packages.** Smokeless propellants shall be stored in approved shipping containers conforming to DOTn 49 CFR, Part 173.

**3306.3.1 Repackaging.** The bulk repackaging of smokeless propellants, black powder, and small arms primers shall not be performed in retail establishments.

**3306.3.2 Damaged packages.** Damaged containers shall not be repackaged.

**Exception:** Approved repackaging of damaged containers of smokeless propellant into containers of the same type and size as the original container.

**3306.4 Storage in Group R occupancies.** The storage of small arms ammunition in Group R occupancies shall comply with Sections 3306.4.1 and 3306.4.2.

**3306.4.1 Black powder and smokeless propellants.** Propellants for personal use in quantities not exceeding 20 pounds (9 kg) of black powder or 20 pounds (9 kg) of smokeless powder shall be stored in original containers in occupancies limited to Group R-3. Smokeless powder in quantities exceeding 20 pounds (9 kg) but not exceeding 50 pounds (23 kg) kept in a wooden box or cabinet having walls of at least 1 inch (25 mm) nominal thickness shall be allowed to be stored in occupancies limited to Group R-3. Quantities exceeding these amounts shall not be stored in any Group R occupancy.

**3306.4.2 Small arms primers.** No more than 10,000 small arms primers shall be stored in occupancies limited to Group R-3.

**3306.5 Display and storage in Group M occupancies.** The display and storage of small arms ammunition in Group M occupancies shall comply with this section.

**3306.5.1 Display.** Display of small arms ammunition in Group M occupancies shall comply with Sections 3306.5.1.1 through 3306.5.1.3.

**3306.5.1.1 Smokeless propellant.** No more than 20 pounds (9 kg) of smokeless propellants, each in containers of 1 pound (0.454 kg) or less capacity, shall be displayed in Group M occupancies.

**3306.5.1.2 Black powder.** No more than 1 pound (0.454 kg) of black powder shall be displayed in Group M occupancies.

**3306.5.1.3 Small arms primers.** No more than 10,000 small arms primers shall be displayed in Group M occupancies.

**3306.5.2 Storage.** Storage of small arms ammunition shall comply with Sections 3306.5.2.1 through 3306.5.2.3.

**3306.5.2.1 Smokeless propellant.** Commercial stocks of smokeless propellants shall be stored as follows:

1. Quantities exceeding 20 pounds (9 kg), but not exceeding 100 pounds (45 kg) shall be stored in portable wooden boxes having walls of at least 1 inch (25 mm) nominal thickness.

2. Quantities exceeding 100 pounds (45 kg), but not exceeding 800 pounds (363 kg), shall be stored in non-portable storage cabinets having walls at least 1 inch (25 mm) nominal thickness. Not more than 400 pounds (182 kg) shall be stored in any one cabinet, and cabinets shall be separated by a distance of at least 25 feet (7620 mm) or by a fire partition having a fire-resistance rating of at least 1 hour.

3. Storage of quantities exceeding 800 pounds (363 kg), but not exceeding 5,000 pounds (2270 kg) in a building shall comply with all of the following:

3.1. The warehouse or storage room is unaccessible to unauthorized personnel.

3.2. Smokeless propellant shall be stored in non-portable storage cabinets having wood walls at least 1 inch (25 mm) nominal thickness and having shelves with no more than 3 feet (914 mm) of separation between shelves.

3.3. No more than 400 pounds (182 kg) is stored in any one cabinet.

3.4. Cabinets shall be located against walls of the storage room or warehouse with at least 40 feet (12 192 mm) between cabinets.

3.5. The minimum required separation between cabinets shall be 20 feet (6096 mm) provided that barricades twice the height of the cabinets are attached to the wall, midway between each cabinet. The barricades must extend a minimum of 10 feet (3048 mm) outward, be firmly attached to the wall, and be constructed of steel not less than 0.25 inch thick (6.4 mm), 2-inch (51 mm) nominal thickness wood, brick, or concrete block.

3.6. Smokeless propellant shall be separated from materials classified as combustible liquids, flammable liquids, flammable solids, or oxidizing materials by a distance of 25 feet (7620 mm) or by a fire partition having a fire-resistance rating of 1 hour.

3.7. The building shall be equipped throughout with an automatic sprinkler system installed in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1.

4. Smokeless propellants not stored according to Item 1, 2, or 3 above shall be stored in a Type 2 or 4 magazine in accordance with Section 3304 and NFPA 495.

**3306.5.2.2 Black powder.** Commercial stocks of black powder in quantities less than 50 pounds (23 kg) shall be allowed to be stored in Type 2 or 4 indoor or outdoor magazines. Quantities greater than 50 pounds (23 kg) shall be stored in outdoor Type 2 or 4 magazines. When black powder and smokeless propellants are stored together in the same magazine, the total quantity shall not exceed that permitted for black powder.

3306.5.2.3 Small arms primers. Commercial stocks of small arms primers shall be stored as follows:

1. Quantities exceeding 20 pounds (9 kg), but not exceeding 100 pounds (45 kg) shall be stored in portable wooden boxes having walls of at least 1 inch (25 mm) nominal thickness.

2. Quantities exceeding 750,000 small arms primers stored in a building shall comply with all of the following:

2.1. The warehouse or storage building shall not be accessible to unauthorized personnel.

2.2. Small arms primers shall be stored in cabinets. No more than 200,000 small arms primers shall be stored in any one cabinet.

2.3. Shelves in cabinets shall have vertical separation of at least 2 feet (610 mm).

2.4. Cabinets shall be located against walls of the warehouse or storage room with at least 40 feet (12 192 mm) between cabinets. The minimum required separation between cabinets shall be allowed to be reduced to 20 feet (6096 mm) provided that barricades twice the height of the cabinets are attached to the wall, midway between each cabinet. The barricades shall be firmly attached to the wall and shall be constructed of steel not less than 1/4 inch thick (6.4 mm), 2-inch (51 mm) nominal thickness wood, brick or concrete block.

2.5. Small arms primers shall be separated from materials classified as combustible liquids, flammable liquids, flammable solids or oxidizing materials by a distance of 25 feet (7620 mm) by a fire partition having a fire-resistance rating of 1 hour.

2.6. The building shall be protected throughout with an automatic sprinkler system installed in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1.

3. Small arms primers not stored in accordance with Item 1 or 2 of this section shall be stored in a magazine meeting the requirements of Section 3304 and NFPA 495.

#### BLASTING

**3307.1 General.** The handling and firing of explosives shall be performed in accordance with NPFA 495 by the person possessing a permit to use explosives issued by the N.J. Department of Labor pursuant to N.J.A.C. 12:190 or by employees under that person's direct supervision who are at least 18 years old.

**3307.2 Manufacturer's instructions.** Blasting operations shall be performed in accordance with the instructions of the manufacturer of the explosive materials being used.

**3307.3 Blasting in congested areas.** When blasting is done in a congested area or in close proximity to a structure, railway or highway, or any other installation, precautions shall be taken to minimize earth vibrations and air blast effects. Blasting mats or other protective means shall be used to prevent fragments from being thrown.

**3307.4 Restricted hours.** Surface-blasting operations shall only be conducted during daylight hours. Other blasting shall be performed during daylight hours unless otherwise approved by the fire code official.

**3307.5 Utility notification.** Whenever blasting is being conducted in the vicinity of utility lines or rightsof-way, the blaster shall notify the appropriate representatives of the utilities at least 24 hours in advance of blasting, specifying the location and intended time of such blasting. Verbal notices shall be confirmed with written notice.

**Exception:** In an emergency situation, the time limit shall not apply when approved.

**3307.6 Electric detonator precautions.** Precautions shall be taken to prevent accidental discharge of electric detonators from currents induced by radar and radio transmitters, lightning, adjacent power lines, dust and snow storms, or other sources of extraneous electricity.

**3307.7** Nonelectric detonator precautions. Precautions shall be taken to prevent accidental initiation of nonelectric detonators from stray currents induced by lightning or static electricity.

**3307.8 Blasting area security.** During the time that holes are being loaded or are loaded with explosive materials, blasting agents or detonators, only authorized persons engaged in drilling and loading operations or otherwise authorized to enter the site shall be allowed at the blast site. The blast site shall be guarded or barricaded and posted. Blast site security shall be maintained until after the post-blast inspection has been completed.

**3307.9 Drill holes.** Holes drilled for the loading of explosive charges shall be made and loaded in accordance with NFPA 495.

**3307.10 Removal of excess explosive materials.** After loading for a blast is completed and before firing, excess explosive materials shall be removed from the area and returned to the proper storage facilities.

**3307.11 Initiation means.** The initiation of blasts shall be by means conforming to the provisions of NFPA 495.

**3307.12 Connections.** The blaster shall supervise the connecting of the blast holes and the connection of the load line to the power source or initiation point. Connections shall be made progressively from the blast hole back to the initiation point. Blasting lead lines shall remain shunted (shorted) and shall not be connected to the blasting machine or other source of current until the blast is to be fired.

**3307.13 Firing control.** No blast shall be fired until the blaster has made certain that all surplus explosive materials are in a safe place in accordance with Section 3307.10, all persons and equipment are at a safe distance or under sufficient cover, and that an adequate warning signal has been given.

**3307.14 Post-blast procedures.** After the blast, the following procedures shall be observed.

1. No person shall return to the blast area until allowed to do so by the blaster in charge.

2. The blaster shall allow sufficient time for smoke and fumes to dissipate and for dust to settle before returning to or approaching the blast area.

3. The blaster shall inspect the entire blast site for misfires before allowing other personnel to return to the blast area.

**3307.15 Misfires.** Where a misfire is suspected, all initiating circuits shall be traced and a search made for unexploded charges. Where a misfire is found, the blaster shall provide proper safeguards for excluding all personnel from the blast area. Misfires shall be reported to the blasting supervisor immediately. Misfires shall be handled under the direction of the person in charge of the blasting operation in accordance with NFPA 495.

**3307.16 Magazines clearance.** At the site of blasting operations, a distance of at least 150 feet (46 m) shall be maintained between magazines and the blast area when the quantity of explosives temporarily kept therein is in excess of 25 pounds (11 kg), and at least 50 feet (15 m) when the quality of explosives is 25 pounds (11 kg) or less. When site restrictions are such that the distance specified herein cannot be met, then the magazine shall be moved from the site the required distance when the blasting is actually to be performed.

# <u>viii. The use of any open flame or flame-producing device in connection with the</u> <u>training of non-fire service personnel in fire suppression or extinguishment</u> <u>procedures;</u>

### \*\* SEE N.J.A.C. 5:70 \*\*

# *ix. The occasional use in any building of a multipurpose room, with a maximum permitted occupancy of 100 or more for amusement, entertainment or mercantile type purposes.*

#### PUBLIC ASSEMBLAGES AND EVENTS

**403.1 Fire watch personnel.** When, in the opinion of the fire code official, it is essential for public safety in a place of assembly or any other place where people congregate, because of the number of persons, or the nature of the performance, exhibition, display, contest or activity, the owner, agent or lessee shall provide one or more fire watch personnel, as required and approved, to remain on duty during the times such places are open to the public, or when such activity is being conducted.

**403.1.1 Duties.** Fire watch personnel shall keep diligent watch for fires, obstructions to means of egress and other hazards during the time such place is open to the public or such activity is being conducted and take prompt measures for remediation of hazards, extinguishment of fires that occur and assist in the evacuation of the public from the structures.

**403.2** Public safety plan. In other than Group A or E occupancies, where the fire code official determines that an indoor or outdoor gathering of persons has an adverse impact on public safety through diminished access to buildings, structures, fire hydrants and fire apparatus access roads or where such gatherings adversely affect public safety services of any kind, the fire code official shall have the authority to order the development of, or prescribe a plan for, the provision of an approved level of public safety.

**403.2.1 Contents.** The public safety plan, where required by Section 403.2, shall address such items as emergency vehicle ingress and egress, fire protection, emergency medical services, public assembly areas and the directing of both attendees and vehicles (including the parking of vehicles), vendor and food concession distribution, and the need for the presence of law enforcement, and fire and emergency medical services personnel at the event.

<u>x. The storage or handling of class I flammable liquids in closed containers of aggregate amounts of more than 10 gallons, but not more than 660 gallons inside a building, or more than 60 gallons, but not more than 660 gallons outside a building.</u>

\*\*See N.J. A.C. 5:70- 3, Chapter 34\*\*

<u>xi. The storage or handling of class II or IIIA combustible liquids in closed</u> <u>containers of aggregate amounts of more than 25 gallons, but not more than 660</u> <u>gallons inside a building, or more than 60 gallons, but not more than 660 gallons</u> <u>outside a building.</u>

\*\*See N.J. A.C. 5:70- 3, Chapter 34\*\*

<u>xii. Any permanent cooking operation that requires a suppression system in</u> <u>accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:70-4.7(g) and is not defined as a life hazard use in</u> <u>accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.4.</u>

DEFINITIONS

**COMMERCIAL COOKING APPLIANCES.** Appliances used in a commercial food service establishment for heating or cooking food and which produce grease vapors, steam, fumes, smoke or odors that are required to be removed through a local exhaust ventilation system. Such appliances include deep fat fryers; upright broilers; griddles; broilers; steam-jacketed kettles; hot-top ranges; under-fired broilers (charbroilers); ovens; barbecues; rotisseries; and similar appliances. For the purpose of this definition, a food service establishment shall include any building or a portion thereof used for the preparation and serving of food.

**MOBILE ENCLOSED UNIT.** A unit of closed construction designed to be driven or towed from place to place, which includes commercial cooking equipment producing grease-laden vapors and which allows for occupancy by the operator. Also known as "mobile canteen."

**HOOD.** An air-intake device used to capture by entrapment, impingement, adhesion or similar means, grease and similar contaminants before they enter a duct system.

**Type I.** A kitchen hood for collecting and removing grease vapors and smoke.

**609.1 General.** Commercial kitchen exhaust hoods including those in mobile enclosed units shall be maintained in accordance with the requirements of the mechanical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code* and NFPA 96.

**609.2 Maintenance.** Commercial kitchen exhaust systems shall be cleaned to remove deposits of residue and grease in the system at intervals specified in the cleaning schedule required to be submitted in accordance with Section 609.2.1. Thorough cleaning of ducts, hoods and fans shall require scraping, brushing or other positive cleaning methods.

**609.2.1 Cleaning schedule.** Where a cleaning schedule is not on file, the fire official shall require a schedule to be submitted, indicating the method of cleaning and the time intervals between cleanings.

**904.1 General.** Automatic fire-extinguishing systems, other than automatic sprinkler systems, shall be inspected, tested and maintained in accordance with the provisions of this section and the applicable referenced standards.

**904.2.1 Commercial hood and duct systems.** Each required commercial kitchen exhaust hood and duct system required by Section 609 to have a Type I hood including mobile enclosed cooking operations shall be maintained in accordance with this code.

**904.3 Installation.** Automatic fire-extinguishing systems shall be installed in accordance with the fire sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**904.5 Wet-chemical systems.** Wet-chemical extinguishing systems shall be maintained, periodically inspected and tested in accordance with NFPA 17A and their listing.

**904.5.1 System test.** Systems shall be inspected and tested for proper operation at 6-month intervals. Tests shall include a check of the detection system, alarms and releasing devices, including manual

stations and other associated equipment. Extinguishing system units shall be weighed and the required amount of agent verified. Stored pressure-type units shall be checked for the required pressure. The cartridge of cartridge-operated units shall be weighed and replaced at intervals indicated by the manufacturer.

**904.5.2 Fusible link maintenance.** Fixed temperature- sensing elements shall be maintained to ensure proper operation of the system.

**904.6 Dry-chemical systems.** Dry-chemical extinguishing systems shall be maintained, periodically inspected and tested in accordance with NFPA 17 and their listing.

**904.6.1 System test.** Systems shall be inspected and tested for proper operation at 6-month intervals. Tests shall include a check of the detection system, alarms and releasing devices, including manual stations and other associated equipment. Extinguishing system units shall be weighed, and the required amount of agent verified. Stored pressure-type units shall be checked for the required pressure. The cartridge of cartridge-operated units shall be weighed and replaced at intervals indicated by the manufacturer.

**904.6.2 Fusible link maintenance.** Fixed temperature- sensing elements shall be maintained to ensure proper operation of the system.

**904.11 Commercial cooking systems.** The automatic fire-extinguishing system for commercial cooking systems shall be of a type recognized for protection of commercial cooking equipment and exhaust systems of the type and arrangement protected. Pre-engineered automatic dry- and wet-chemical extinguishing systems shall be tested in accordance with UL 300 and listed and labeled for the intended application. Other types of automatic fire-extinguishing systems shall be listed and labeled for specific use as protection for commercial cooking operations. The system shall be installed in accordance with this code, its listing and the manufacturer's installation instructions. Automatic fire-extinguishing systems of the following types shall be installed in accordance with the referenced standard indicated, as follows:

- 1. Carbon dioxide extinguishing systems, NFPA 12.
- 2. Automatic sprinkler systems, NFPA 13.
- 3. Foam-water sprinkler system or foam-water spray systems, NFPA 16.
- 4. Dry-chemical extinguishing systems, NFPA 17.
- 5. Wet-chemical extinguishing systems, NFPA 17A.

**Exception:** Factory-built commercial cooking recirculating systems that are tested in accordance with UL 710B and listed, labeled and installed in accordance with Section 304.1 of the mechanical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**904.11.1 Manual system operation.** A manual actuation device shall be located at or near a means of egress from the cooking area a minimum of 10 feet (3048 mm) and a maximum of 20 feet (6096 mm) from the kitchen exhaust system. The manual actuation device shall be installed not more than 48

inches (1200 mm) nor less than 42 inches (1067 mm) above the floor and shall clearly identify the hazard protected. The manual actuation shall require a maximum force of 40pounds (178 N) and a maximum movement of 14 inches (356 mm) to actuate the fire suppression system.

**Exception:** Automatic sprinkler systems shall not be required to be equipped with manual actuation means.

**904.11.2 System interconnection.** The actuation of the fire extinguishing system shall automatically shut down the fuel or electrical power supply to the cooking equipment. The fuel and electrical supply reset shall be manual.

904.11.3. Deleted.

**904.11.4 Special provisions for automatic sprinkler systems.** Automatic sprinkler systems protecting commercial- type cooking equipment shall be supplied from a separate, readily accessible, indicating-type control valve that is identified.

**904.11.4.1 Listed sprinklers.** Sprinklers used for the protection of fryers shall be tested in accordance with UL 199E, listed for that application and installed in accordance with their listing.

**904.11.5 Portable fire extinguishers for commercial cooking equipment.** Portable fire extinguishers shall be provided within a 30-foot (9144 mm) travel distance of commercial-type cooking equipment. Cooking equipment involving vegetable or animal oils and fats shall be protected by a Class K rated portable extinguisher.

**904.11.5.1 Portable fire extinguishers for solid fuel cooking appliances.** All solid fuel cooking appliances, whether or not under a hood, with fireboxes 5 cubic feet

(0.14 m3) or less in volume shall have a minimum 2.5-gallon (9 L) or two 1.5-gallon (6 L) Class K wetchemical portable fire extinguishers located in accordance with Section 904.11.5.

**904.11.5.2 Class K portable fire extinguishers for deep fat fryers.** When hazard areas include deep fat fryers, listed Class K portable fire extinguishers shall be provided as follows:

1. For up to four fryers having a maximum cooking medium capacity of 80 pounds (36.3 kg) each: One Class K portable fire extinguisher of a minimum 1.5 gallon (6 L) capacity.

2. For every additional group of four fryers having a maximum cooking medium capacity of 80 pounds (36.3 kg) each: One additional Class K portable fire extinguisher of a minimum 1.5 gallon (6 L) capacity shall be provided.

3. For individual fryers exceeding 6 square feet (0.55 m2) in surface area: Class K portable fire extinguishers shall be installed in accordance with the extinguisher manufacturer's recommendations.

**904.11.6 Operations and maintenance.** Commercial cooking systems, including mobile enclosed cooking operations, shall be operated and maintained in accordance with this section.

**904.11.6.1 Ventilation system.** The ventilation system in connection with hoods shall be operated at the required rate of air movement, and classified grease filters shall be in place when equipment under a kitchen grease hood is used.

**904.11.6.2 Grease extractors.** Where grease extractors are installed, they shall be operated when the commercial- type cooking equipment is used.

**904.11.6.3 Cleaning.** Hoods, grease-removal devices, fans, ducts and other appurtenances shall be cleaned at intervals necessary to prevent the accumulation of grease. Cleanings shall be recorded, and records shall state the extent, time and date of cleaning. Such records shall be maintained on the premises.

**904.11.6.4 Extinguishing system service.** Automatic fire-extinguishing systems shall be serviced at least every 6 months and after activation of the system. Inspection shall be by qualified individuals, and a certificate of inspection shall be forwarded to the fire code official upon completion.

**904.11.6.5 Fusible link and sprinkler head replacement.** Fusible links and automatic sprinkler heads shall be replaced at least annually, and other protection devices shall be serviced or replaced in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

Exception: Frangible bulbs are not required to be replaced annually.

#### PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

906.1 Where required. Portable fire extinguishers shall be installed in the following locations.

2. Within 30 feet (9144 mm) of commercial cooking equipment.

**906.4 Cooking grease fires.** Fire extinguishers provided for the protection of cooking grease fires shall be of an approved type compatible with the automatic fire-extinguishing system agent and in accordance with Section 904.11.5.

**906.6 Unobstructed and un-obscured.** Portable fire extinguishers shall not be obstructed or obscured from view. In rooms or areas in which visual obstruction cannot be completely avoided, means shall be provided to indicate the locations of extinguishers.

**906.7 Hangers and brackets.** Hand-held portable fire extinguishers, not housed in cabinets, shall be installed on the hangers or brackets supplied. Hangers or brackets shall be securely anchored to the mounting surface in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions.

906.8 Cabinets. Cabinets used to house portable fire extinguishers shall not be locked.

#### **Exceptions:**

1. Where portable fire extinguishers subject to malicious use or damage are provided with a means of ready access.

2. In Group I-3 occupancies and in mental health areas in Group I-2 occupancies, access to portable fire extinguishers shall be permitted to be locked or to be located in staff locations provided the staff has keys.

**906.9 Height above floor.** Portable fire extinguishers having a gross weight not exceeding 40 pounds (18 kg) shall be installed so that its top is not more than 5 feet (1524 mm) above the floor. Hand-held portable fire extinguishers having a gross weight exceeding 40 pounds (18 kg) shall be installed so that its top is not more than 3.5 feet (1067 mm) above the floor. The clearance between the floor and the bottom of installed hand-held extinguishers shall not be less than 4 inches (102 mm).

# <u>xiii. The use as a place of public assembly, for a total of not more than 15 days in a calendar year, of a building classified as a commercial farm building under the Uniform Construction Code.</u>

**403.1 Fire Watch personnel.** When, in the opinion of the fire code official, it is essential for public safety in a place of assembly or any other place where people congregate, because of the number of persons, or the nature of the performance, exhibition, display, contest or activity, the owner, agent or lessee shall provide one or more fire watch personnel, as required and approved, to remain on duty during the times such places are open to the public, or when such activity is being conducted.

**403.1.1 Duties.** Fire watch personnel shall keep diligent watch for fires, obstructions to means of egress and other hazards during the time such place is open to the public or such activity is being conducted and take prompt measures for remediation of hazards, extinguishment of fires that occur and assist in the evacuation of the public from the structures.

**403.2 Public safety plan.** In other than Group A or E occupancies, where the fire code official determines that an indoor or outdoor gathering of persons has an adverse impact on public safety through diminished access to buildings, structures, fire hydrants and fire apparatus access roads or where such gatherings adversely affect public safety services of any kind, the fire code official shall have the authority to order the development of, or prescribe a plan for, the provision of an approved level of public safety.

**403.2.1 Contents.** The public safety plan, where required by Section 403.2, shall address such items as emergency vehicle ingress and egress, fire protection, emergency medical services, public assembly areas and the directing of both attendees and vehicles (including the parking of vehicles), vendor and food concession distribution, and the need for the presence of law enforcement, and fire and emergency medical services personnel at the event.

# <u>xiv. The temporary use of any building or portion thereof as a special amusement</u> building for a total of not more than 15 days in a calendar year.

**SPECIAL AMUSEMENT BUILDING.** A building that is temporary, permanent or mobile that contains a device or system that conveys passengers or provides a walkway along, around or over a course in any direction as a form of amusement arranged so that the egress path is not readily apparent due to visual or audio distractions or an intentionally confounded egress path, or is not readily available because of the mode of conveyance through the building or structure.

# (1) Use of a building or portion thereof as a special amusement building for a longer period shall require the issuance of a certificate of occupancy, pursuant to the Uniform Construction Code (N.J.A.C. 5:23), for the new use.

# (2) Permits issued pursuant to this section shall require compliance with the requirements for special amusement buildings at N.J.A.C. 5:70-4.16.

# 5:70-4.16 Amusement buildings

(a) All buildings or portions thereof, of Use Group A-3, which are designed to disorient the occupant, reduce vision, present barriers or otherwise impede the flow of traffic, shall conform to all other applicable provisions of this Code and the following:

1. Every such amusement facility shall be equipped throughout with an automatic fire suppression system installed in accordance with the New Jersey Uniform Construction Code.

i. Exception: The use of a non-sprinklered building as a special amusement building shall be allowed provided that the following conditions are met:

(1) The building is not more than 1,000 square feet; or the portion of the building to be used as a special amusement is not greater than 1,000 square feet and the special amusement is separated from the rest of the building by fire resistive construction with a minimum one hour rating;

(2) The exit access travel distance does not exceed 50 feet;

(3) The special amusement is on the ground floor;

(4) A perimeter of 20 feet, suitable for firefighting ground operations, is provided around the building; and

(5) Sufficient fire department personnel and firefighting apparatus are standing by on site at all times that the special amusement building is occupied.

2. The interior finish of all walls and ceilings shall in no case be less than a Class I material in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:70-4.12(b) and (c).

i. No variance shall be granted for interior finishes.

3. Every such amusement facility shall be equipped with exit signs installed in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:70-4.11(k).

4. Every such amusement facility shall be equipped throughout with an approved automatic fire alarm system installed in accordance with the Uniform Construction Code and in accordance with (a)5 through (a)8 below.

5. The automatic alarm system shall activate a prerecorded message which can be clearly heard throughout the entire facility instructing the patrons to proceed to the nearest exit. Any alarm signals used in conjunction with the prerecorded message shall produce a signal which is distinctive from all sounds used in the normal operation of the amusement facility.

6. Every such amusement facility shall be equipped with emergency lighting equipment installed in accordance with the New Jersey Uniform Construction Code. The emergency lighting equipment shall automatically activate when:

i. The fire suppression system is activated;

ii. The fire alarm system is activated; or

iii. Loss of the primary power supply occurs.

7. All audio and visual equipment such as horns, bells, flashing or otherwise distracting stimuli and mechanized displays shall cease operation upon initiation of an alarm by the automatic fire alarm system or upon activation of the automatic fire suppression system.

8. Activation of the automatic alarm system shall automatically shut down the air distribution system.

# <u>xv. The erection, operation, or maintenance of any tent, tensioned membrane</u> <u>structure, or canopy, excluding those used for recreational camping purposes,</u> <u>that meets the criteria in (a)3xv(1) or (2) below shall require a Type 1 permit.</u> <u>Tents, tensioned membrane structures, or canopies greater than 16,800 square</u> <u>feet in area or greater than 140 feet in any dimension, whether one unit or</u> <u>composed of multiple units; remaining in place for more than 180 days; used or</u> <u>occupied between December 1 and March 31; having a permanent anchoring</u> <u>system or foundation; or containing platforms or bleachers greater than 11 feet in</u> <u>height shall be subject to the permitting requirements of the Uniform</u> <u>Construction Code (N.J.A.C. 5:23-2.14).</u>

 (1) The tent, tensioned membrane structure, or canopy is greater than 900 square feet or more than 30 feet in any dimension whether it is one unit or composed of multiple units, but 16,800 square feet or less in area and 140 feet or less in any dimension, whether it is one unit or composed of multiple units.
(2) The tent, tensioned membrane structure, or canopy contains platforms or bleachers 11 feet or less in height;

**2403.2 Approval required.** Tents, tensioned membrane structures, and canopies meeting the following criteria shall be subject to the permitting requirements of N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7. Tents and tensioned membrane structures that do not meet these criteria in items 1 through 5 require a construction permit pursuant to the Uniform Construction Code.

1. The tent, tensioned membrane structure or canopy is less than 140 feet (42 672 mm) in any dimension and less than 16,800 square feet (1561 m2) in area whether it is one unit or is composed of multiple units. For the purposes of applying this, tents that are more than 5 feet (1524 mm) apart, regardless of whether they are connected by a walkway, shall be counted as separate tents. If tents are closer than 5 feet (1524 mm), the tents shall be counted as the same tent;

2. The tent, tensioned membrane structure or canopy remains in place or will remain in place for fewer than 180 days;

3. The tent, tensioned membrane structure or canopy is used or occupied only between April 1 and November 30;

4. The tent, tensioned membrane structure or canopy does not have a permanent anchoring system or foundation. A construction permit shall be required for the original installation of a permanent anchoring system foundation. In addition, a construction permit shall be required each time a tent is erected on a portable anchoring system; and

5. The tent, tensioned membrane structure or canopy does not contain platforms or bleachers greater than 11 feet (3353 mm) in height.

**2403.6 Construction documents.** A detailed site and floor plan for tents, canopies or membrane structures with an occupant load of 50 or more shall be provided with each application for approval. The tent, canopy or membrane structure floor plan shall indicate details of the means of egress facilities, seating capacity, arrangement of the seating and location and type of heating and electrical equipment. A construction permit shall be obtained for heating, ventilation or electrical equipment that requires a construction permit pursuant to the Uniform Construction Code.

**2403.7 Inspections.** The entire tent, air-supported, air-inflated or tensioned membrane structure system shall be inspected at regular intervals, but not less than two times per permit use period, by the permittee, owner or agent to determine that the installation is maintained in accordance with this chapter.

Exception: Permit use periods of less than 30 days.

**2403.7.1 Inspection report.** When required by the fire code official, an inspection report shall be provided and shall consist of maintenance, anchors and fabric inspections.

**2403.8** Access, location and parking. Access location and parking for temporary tents, canopies and membrane structures shall be in accordance with this section.

**2403.8.1** Access. Fire apparatus access roads shall be provided in accordance with Section 503.

**2403.8.2 Location.** Tents, canopies or membrane structures shall not be located within 5 feet (1524 mm) of lot lines, buildings, other tents, canopies or membrane structures, parked vehicles or internal combustion engines.

**Exception:** Separation distance between membrane structures, tents and canopies not used for cooking, is not required when the aggregate floor area does not exceed 16,800 square feet (1561 m2).

**2403.8.4 Connecting corridors.** Tents or membrane structures are allowed to be joined together by means of corridors. Exit doors shall be provided at each end of such corridor. Corridors connecting tents that are at least 5 feet (1524 mm) in length or greater shall have openings on each side of the corridor that are opposite each other and that are equal to the width of the required means of egress in accordance with Section 2403.12.

**2403.9 Anchorage required.** Tents, canopies or membrane structures and their appurtenances shall be adequately roped, braced and anchored to withstand the elements of weather and prevent against collapsing. Documentation of structural stability shall be furnished to the fire code official on request.

**2403.11 Seating arrangements.** Seating in tents, canopies or membrane structures shall be in accordance with Chapter 10.

**2403.12 Means of egress.** Means of egress for temporary tents, canopies and membrane structures shall be in accordance with Sections 2403.12.1 through 2403.12.8.

**2403.12.1 Distribution.** Exits shall be spaced at approximately equal intervals around the perimeter of the tent, canopy or membrane structure, and shall be located such that all points are 100 feet (30 480 mm) or less from an exit.

**2403.12.2** Number. Tents, canopies or membrane structures or a usable portion thereof shall have at least one exit and not less than the number of exits required by Table 2403.12.2. The total width of means of egress in inches (mm) shall not be less than the total occupant load served by a means of egress multiplied by 0.2 inches (5 mm) per person.

**2403.12.3 Exit openings from tents.** Exit openings from tents shall remain open unless covered by a flame-resistant curtain. The curtain shall comply with the following requirements:

1. Curtains shall be free sliding on a metal support. The support shall be a minimum of 80 inches (2032 mm) above the floor level at the exit. The curtains shall be so arranged that, when open, no part of the curtain obstructs the exit.

2. Curtains shall be of a color, or colors, that contrasts with the color of the tent.

**2403.12.4 Doors.** Exit doors shall swing in the direction of exit travel. To avoid hazardous air and pressure loss in air-supported membrane structures, such doors shall be automatic closing against operating pressures. Opening force at the door edge shall not exceed 15 pounds (66 N).

**2403.12.5** Aisle. The width of aisles without fixed seating shall be in accordance with the following:

1. In areas serving employees only, the minimum aisle width shall be 24 inches (610 mm) but not less than the width required by the number of employees served.

2. In public areas, smooth-surfaced, unobstructed aisles having a minimum width of not less than 44 inches (1118 mm) shall be provided from seating areas, and aisles shall be progressively increased in width to provide, at all points, not less than 1 foot (305 mm) of aisle width for each 50 persons served by such aisle at that point.

**2403.12.5.1** Arrangement and maintenance. The arrangement of aisles shall be subject to approval by the fire code official and shall be maintained clear at all times during occupancy.

**2403.12.6 Exit signs.** Exits shall be clearly marked. Exit signs shall be installed at required exit doorways and where otherwise necessary to indicate clearly the direction of egress when the exit serves an occupant load of 50 or more.

**2403.12.6.1 Exit sign illumination.** Exit signs shall be of an approved self-luminous type or shall be internally or externally illuminated by luminaires supplied in the following manner:

1. Two separate circuits, one of which shall be separate from all other circuits, for occupant loads of 300 or less; or

2. Two separate sources of power, one of which shall be an approved emergency system, shall be provided when the occupant load exceeds 300. Emergency systems shall be supplied from storage batteries or from the on-site generator set, and the system shall be installed in accordance with the electrical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**2403.12.7 Means of egress illumination.** Means of egress shall be illuminated with light having an intensity of not less than 1 foot-candle (11 lux) at floor level while the structure is occupied. Fixtures required for means of egress illumination shall be supplied from a separate circuit or source of power.

**2403.12.8 Maintenance of means of egress.** The required width of exits, aisles and passageways shall be maintained at all times to a public way. Guy wires, guy ropes and other support members shall not cross a means of egress at a height of less than 7 feet (2134 mm). The surface of means of egress shall be maintained in an approved manner.

**2404.1 General.** All tents, canopies and membrane structures, both temporary and permanent, shall be in accordance with this section. Permanent tents, canopies and membrane structures shall also comply with the building sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**2404.2 Flame propagation performance treatment.** Before a permit is granted, the owner or agent shall file with the fire code official a certificate executed by an approved testing laboratory certifying that the tents; canopies and membrane structures and their appurtenances; sidewalls, drops and tarpaulins; floor coverings, bunting and combustible decorative materials and effects, including sawdust when used on floors or passageways, shall be composed of material meeting the flame propagation performance

criteria of NFPA 701 or shall be treated with a flame retardant in an approved manner and meet the flame propagation performance criteria of NFPA 701, and that such flame propagation performance criteria are effective for the period specified by the permit.

**2404.3 Label.** Membrane structures, tents or canopies shall have a permanently affixed label bearing the identification of size and fabric or material type.

**2404.4 Certification.** An affidavit or affirmation shall be submitted to the fire code official and a copy retained on the premises on which the tent or air-supported structure is located. The affidavit shall attest to the following information relative to the flame propagation performance criteria of the fabric:

- 1. Names and address of the owners of the tent, canopy or air-supported structure.
- 2. Date the fabric was last treated with flame-retardant solution.
- 3. Trade name or kind of chemical used in treatment.
- 4. Name of person or firm treating the material.
- 5. Name of testing agency and test standard by which the fabric was tested.

**2404.5 Combustible materials.** Hay, straw, shavings or similar combustible materials shall not be located within any tent, canopy or membrane structure containing an assembly occupancy, except the materials necessary for the daily feeding and care of animals. Sawdust and shavings utilized for a public performance or exhibit shall not be prohibited provided the sawdust and shavings are kept damp. Combustible materials shall not be permitted under stands or seats at any time. The areas within and adjacent to the tent or air-supported structure shall be maintained clear of all combustible materials or vegetation that could create a fire hazard within 20 feet (6096 mm) of the structure. Combustible trash shall be removed at least once a day from the structure during the period the structure is occupied by the public.

**2404.6 Smoking.** Smoking shall not be permitted in tents, canopies or membrane structures. Approved "No Smoking" signs shall be conspicuously posted in accordance with Section 310.

**2404.7 Open or exposed flame.** Open flame or other devices emitting flame, fire or heat or any flammable or combustible liquids, gas, charcoal or other cooking device or any other unapproved devices shall not be permitted inside or located within 20 feet (6096 mm) of the tent, canopy or membrane structures while open to the public unless approved by the fire code official.

**Exception:** Cooking tents as per Section 2404.15.1.

**2404.8 Fireworks.** Fireworks shall not be used within 100 feet (30 480 mm) of tents, canopies or membrane structures.

**2404.9 Spot lighting.** Spot or effect lighting shall only be by electricity, and all combustible construction located within 6 feet (1829 mm) of such equipment shall be protected with approved noncombustible insulation not less than 9.25 inches (235 mm) thick.

**2404.10 Safety film.** Motion pictures shall not be displayed in tents, canopies or membrane structures unless the motion picture film is safety film.

2404.11. Deleted.

**2404.12 Portable fire extinguishers.** Portable fire extinguishers shall be provided as required by Section 906.

**2404.13 Fire protection equipment.** Fire hose lines, water supplies and other auxiliary fire equipment shall be maintained at the site in such numbers and sizes as required by the fire code official.

**2404.14 Occupant load factors.** The occupant load allowed in an assembly structure, or portion thereof, shall be determined in accordance with Chapter 10.

**2404.15 Heating and cooking equipment.** Heating and cooking equipment shall be in accordance with Sections 2404.15.1 through 2404.15.7.

**2404.15.1 Installation.** Heating or cooking equipment, tanks, piping, hoses, fittings, valves, tubing and other related components shall be installed as specified in the mechanical sub-code and the fuel gas sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code* and shall be approved by the fire code official.

**2404.15.2 Venting.** Gas, liquid and solid fuel-burning equipment designed to be vented shall be vented to the outside air as specified in the fuel gas sub-code and the mechanical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*. Such vents shall be equipped with approved spark arresters when required. Where vents or flues are used, all portions of the tent, canopy or membrane structure shall be not less than 12 inches (305 mm) from the flue or vent.

**2404.15.3 Location.** Suitable barricades shall be provided to maintain a distance of 5 feet (1524 mm) between the heat producing appliances and the public.

**2404.15.4 Operations.** Operations such as warming of foods, cooking demonstrations and similar operations that use solid flammables, butane or other similar devices which do not pose an ignition hazard, shall be approved.

**2404.15.5 Cooking tents.** Tents where cooking is performed shall be separated from other tents, canopies or membrane structures by a minimum of 5 feet (1524 mm).

**Exceptions:** 

1. Cooking tents are not required to be separated from other cooking tents.

2. Cooking tents shall be separated from other tents, canopies or membrane structures with an occupant load of 50 or greater by a minimum of 20 feet (6096 mm).

2404.15.6. Deleted.

**2404.15.7 Electrical heating and cooking equipment.** Electrical cooking and heating equipment shall comply with the electrical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**2404.16 LP-gas.** The storage, handling and use of LP-gas and LP-gas equipment shall be in accordance with Sections 2406.16.1 through 2404.16.3.

**2404.16.1 General.** LP-gas equipment such as tanks, piping, hoses, fittings, valves, tubing and other related components shall be approved and in accordance with Chapter 38 and with the fuel gas subcode of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**2404.16.2 Location of containers.** LP-gas containers shall be located outside or on the exterior perimeter of a canopy. Safety release valves shall be pointed away from the tent, canopy or membrane structure.

**2404.16.2.1 Containers.** LP-gas containers shall be located a minimum of 5 feet (1524 mm) from any heat producing appliance.

2404.16.2.2. Deleted.

**2404.16.3 Protection and security.** Portable LP-gas containers, piping, valves and fittings which are located outside and are being used to fuel equipment inside a tent, canopy or membrane structure shall be adequately protected to prevent tampering, damage by vehicles or other hazards and shall be located in an approved location. Portable LP-gas containers shall be securely fastened in place to prevent unauthorized movement.

**2404.17 Flammable and combustible liquids.** The storage of flammable and combustible liquids and the use of flammable- liquid-fueled equipment shall be in accordance with Sections 2404.17.1 through 2404.17.3.

**2404.17.1 Use.** Flammable-liquid-fueled equipment shall not be used in tents, canopies or membrane structures.

**2404.17.2 Flammable and combustible liquid storage.** Flammable and combustible liquids shall be stored outside in an approved manner not less than 50 feet (15 240 mm) from tents, canopies or membrane structures. Storage shall be in accordance with Chapter 34.

**2404.17.3 Refueling.** Refueling shall be performed in an approved location not less than 20 feet (6096 mm) from tents, canopies or membrane structures.

**2404.18 Display of motor vehicles.** Liquid- and gas-fueled vehicles and equipment used for display within tents, canopies or membrane structures shall be in accordance with Sections 2404.18.1 through 2404.18.5.3.

**2404.18.1 Batteries.** Batteries shall be disconnected in an appropriate manner.

**2404.18.2 Fuel systems.** Vehicles or equipment shall not be fueled or defueled within the tent, canopy or membrane structure.

**2404.18.2.1 Quantity limit.** Fuel in the fuel tank shall not exceed one-quarter of the tank capacity or 5 gallons (19 L), whichever is less.

2404.18.2.2 Inspection. Fuel systems shall be inspected for leaks.

**2404.18.2.3 Closure.** Fuel tank openings shall be locked and sealed to prevent the escape of vapors.

2404.18.3 Location. The location of vehicles or equipment shall not obstruct means of egress.

**2404.18.4 Places of assembly.** When a compressed natural gas (CNG) or liquefied petroleum gas (LP-gas) powered vehicle is parked inside a place of assembly, all the following conditions shall be met:

1. The quarter-turn shutoff valve or other shutoff valve on the outlet of the CNG or LP-gas container shall be closed and the engine shall be operated until it stops. Valves shall remain closed while the vehicle is indoors.

2. The hot lead of the battery shall be disconnected.

3. Dual-fuel vehicles equipped to operate on gasoline and CNG or LP-gas shall comply with this section and Sections 2404.18.1 through 2404.18.5.3 for gasoline- powered vehicles.

**2404.18.5 Competitions and demonstrations.** Liquid and gas-fueled vehicles and equipment used for competition or demonstration within a tent, canopy or membrane structure shall comply with Sections 2404.18.5.1 through 2404.18.5.3.

**2404.18.5.1 Fuel storage.** Fuel for vehicles or equipment shall be stored in approved containers in an approved location outside of the structure in accordance with Section 2404.17.2.

**2404.18.5.2 Fueling.** Refueling shall be performed outside of the structure in accordance with Section 2404.17.3.

2404.18.5.3 Spills. Fuel spills shall be cleaned up immediately.

**2404.19 Separation of generators.** Generators and other internal combustion power sources shall be separated from tents, canopies or membrane structures by a minimum of 20 feet (6096 mm) and shall be isolated from contact with the public by fencing, enclosure or other approved means.

**2404.20 Standby personnel.** When, in the opinion of the fire code official, it is essential for public safety in a tent, canopy or membrane structure used as a place of assembly or any other use where people congregate, because of the number of persons, or the nature of the performance, exhibition, display, contest or activity, the owner, agent or lessee shall employ one or more qualified persons, as required and approved, to remain on duty during the times such places are open to the public, or when such activity is being conducted. Before each performance or the start of such activity, standby personnel shall keep diligent watch for fires during the time such place is open to the public or such activity is being conducted and take prompt measures for extinguishment of fires that occur and assist in the evacuation of the public from the structure. There shall be trained crowd managers or crowd manager supervisors at a ratio of one crowd manager/supervisor for every 250 occupants, as approved.

**2404.21 Vegetation removal.** Combustible vegetation shall be removed from the area occupied by a tent, canopy or membrane structure, and from areas within 20 feet (6069 mm) of such structures.

**2404.22 Waste Material.** The floor surface inside tents, canopies or membrane structures and the grounds outside and within a 20-foot (6069 mm) perimeter shall be kept clear of combustible waste. Such waste shall be stored in approved containers until removed from the premises.

<u>xvi. The erection, operation, or maintenance of any outdoor combustible maze</u> <u>shall require a Type 1 permit if the outdoor combustible maze is less than six feet</u> <u>in height and does not contain electrical equipment. Outdoor combustible mazes</u> <u>that are six feet or greater in height or contain electrical equipment shall be</u> <u>subject to the permitting requirements of N.J.A.C. 5:23-2.14.</u>

(1) For the purposes of applying this requirement, an outdoor combustible maze is an attraction that lacks a roof and is designed to disorient patrons, reduce vision, present barriers, or otherwise impede the flow of traffic and does not consist solely of living rooted plants such as corn stalks or trees, but includes mazes created from plants that have been cut and attached to an object to support them.

(A) Mazes consisting solely of living, rooted plants, such as corn stalks or trees,

# may be repaired using cut, replacement plants that are otherwise the same as those of which the maze is created without the need for a permit.

# (B) No permit shall be required for mazes up to 42 inches in height created of bales of hay or straw.

### **IGNITION SOURCES**

**305.2 Hot ashes and spontaneous ignition sources.** Hot ashes, cinders, smoldering coals or greasy or oily materials subject to spontaneous ignition shall not be deposited in a combustible receptacle, within 10 feet (3048 mm) of other combustible material including combustible walls and partitions or within 2 feet (610 mm) of openings to buildings.

**305.4 Deliberate or negligent burning.** It shall be unlawful to deliberately or through negligence set fire to or cause the burning of combustible material in such a manner as to endanger the safety of persons or property.

**308.2 Where prohibited.** A person shall not take or utilize an open flame or light in a structure, vessel, boat or other place where highly flammable, combustible or explosive material is utilized or stored. Lighting appliances shall be well-secured in a glass globe and wire mesh cage or a similar approved device.

**308.2.1 Throwing or placing sources of ignition.** No person shall throw or place, or cause to be thrown or placed, a lighted match, cigar, cigarette, matches, or other flaming or glowing substance or object on any surface or article where it can cause an unwanted fire.

**308.3 Open flame.** A person shall not utilize or allow to be utilized, an open flame in connection with a public meeting or gathering for purposes of deliberation, entertainment, amusement, instruction, education, recreation, awaiting transportation or similar purpose in Group A or E occupancies without first obtaining a permit in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7.

#### SMOKING

**310.1 General.** The smoking or carrying of a lighted pipe, cigar, cigarette or any other type of smoking paraphernalia or material is prohibited in the areas indicated in this section.

**310.2 Prohibited areas.** Smoking shall be prohibited where conditions are such as to make smoking a hazard, and in spaces where flammable or combustible materials are stored or handled.

**310.3 "No Smoking" signs.** The fire code official is authorized to order the posting of "No Smoking" signs in a conspicuous location in each structure or location in which smoking is prohibited. The content, lettering, size, color and location of required "No Smoking" signs shall be approved.

**310.4 Removal of signs prohibited.** A posted "No Smoking" sign shall not be obscured, removed, defaced, mutilated or destroyed.

**310.5 Compliance with "No Smoking" signs.** Smoking shall not be permitted nor shall a person smoke, throw or deposit any lighted or smoldering substance in any place where "No Smoking" signs are posted.

**310.6** Ash trays. Where smoking is permitted, suitable noncombustible ash trays or match receivers shall be provided on each table and at other appropriate locations.

**310.7 Burning objects.** Lighted matches, cigarettes, cigars or other burning object shall not be discarded in such a manner that could cause ignition of other combustible material.

# 4. Type 2 permit:

# *<u>i. Bowling lane resurfacing and bowling pin refinishing involving the use and application of flammable liquids or materials;</u>*

# **PROTECTION OF OPERATIONS**

**1503.2.1 Electrical wiring and equipment.** Electrical wiring and equipment shall comply with this chapter and the electrical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**1503.2.1.1 Flammable vapor areas.** Electrical wiring and equipment in flammable vapor areas shall be of an explosion proof type approved for use in such hazardous locations. Such areas shall be considered to be Class I, Division 1 or Class II, Division 1 hazardous locations in accordance with the electrical subcode of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**1503.2.1.2** Areas subject to deposits of residues. Electrical equipment, flammable vapor areas or drying operations that are subject to splashing or dripping of liquids shall be specifically approved for locations containing deposits of readily ignitable residue and explosive vapors.

# Exceptions:

1. This provision shall not apply to wiring in rigid conduit, threaded boxes or fittings not containing taps, splices or terminal connections.

2. This provision shall not apply to electrostatic equipment allowed by Section 1507. In resin application areas, electrical wiring and equipment that is subject to deposits of combustible residues shall be listed for such exposure and shall be installed as required for hazardous (classified) locations. Electrical wiring and equipment not subject to deposits of combustible residues shall be installed as required for ordinary hazard locations.

**1503.2.2 Open flames and sparks.** Open flames and spark-producing devices shall not be located in flammable vapor areas and shall not be located within 20 feet (6096 mm) of such areas unless separated by a permanent partition.

**Exception:** Drying and baking apparatus complying with Section 1504.6.1.2.

**1503.2.3 Hot surfaces.** Heated surfaces having a temperature sufficient to ignite vapors shall not be located in flammable vapor areas. Space-heating appliances, steam pipes or hot surfaces in a flammable vapor area shall be located such that they are not subject to accumulation of deposits of combustible residues.

**Exception:** Drying apparatus complying with Section 1504.6.1.2.

**1503.2.4 Equipment enclosures.** Equipment or apparatus that is capable of producing sparks or particles of hot metal that would fall into a flammable vapor area shall be totally enclosed.

**1503.2.6 Smoking prohibited.** Smoking shall be prohibited in flammable vapor areas and hazardous materials storage rooms associated with flammable finish processes. "No Smoking" signs complying with Section 310 shall be conspicuously posted in such areas.

**1503.3.1 Use.** Containers supplying spray nozzles shall be of a closed type or provided with metal covers, which are kept closed. Containers not resting on floors shall be on noncombustible supports or suspended by wire cables. Containers supplying spray nozzles by gravity flow shall not exceed 10 gallons (37.9 L) in capacity.

**1503.3.2 Valves.** Containers and piping to which a hose or flexible connection is attached shall be provided with a shutoff valve at the connection. Such valves shall be kept shut when hoses are not in use.

**1503.3.3 Pumped liquid supplies.** Where flammable or combustible liquids are supplied to spray nozzles by positive displacement pumps, pump discharge lines shall be provided with an approved relief valve discharging to pump suction or a safe detached location.

**1503.3.4 Liquid transfer.** Where a flammable mixture is transferred from one portable container to another, a bond shall be provided between the two containers. At least one container shall be grounded. Piping systems for Class I and II liquids shall be permanently grounded.

**1503.3.5 Class I liquids as solvents.** Class I liquids used as solvents shall be used in spray gun and equipment cleaning machines that have been listed and approved for such purpose or shall be used in spray booths or spray rooms in accordance with Sections 1503.3.5.1 and 1503.3.5.2.

**1503.3.5.1 Listed devices.** Cleaning machines for spray guns and equipment shall not be located in areas open to the public and shall be separated from ignition sources in accordance with their listings or by a distance of 3 feet (914 mm), whichever is greater. The quantity of solvent used in a machine shall not exceed the design capacity of the machine.

**1504.7.1 Operation.** Mechanical ventilation shall be kept in operation at all times while spraying operations are being conducted and for a sufficient time thereafter to allow vapors from drying coated articles and finishing material residue to be exhausted. Spraying equipment shall be interlocked with the ventilation of the flammable vapor areas such that spraying operations cannot be conducted unless the ventilation system is in operation.

1504.7.2 Recirculation. Air exhausted from spraying operations shall not be recirculated.

# **Exceptions:**

1. Air exhausted from spraying operations is allowed to be recirculated as makeup air for unmanned spray operations, provided that:

1.1. The solid particulate has been removed.

1.2. The vapor concentration is less than 25 percent of the LFL.

1.3. Approved equipment is used to monitor the vapor concentration.

1.4. When the vapor concentration exceeds 25 percent of the LFL, the following shall occur:

a. An alarm shall sound; and

b. Spray operations shall automatically shut down.

1.5. In the event of shutdown of the vapor concentration monitor, 100 percent of the air volume specified in the mechanical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code* is automatically exhausted.2. Air exhausted from spraying operations is allowed to be recirculated as makeup air to manned spraying operations where all of the conditions provided in Exception 1 are included in the installation and documents have been prepared to show that the installation does not pose a life safety hazard to personnel inside the spray booth, spraying space or spray room.

# FLOOR SURFACING AND FINISHING OPERATIONS

**1510.1 Scope.** Floor surfacing and finishing operations exceeding 350 square feet (33m2) and using Class I or II liquids shall comply with Sections 1510.2 through 1510.5.

**1510.2 Mechanical system operation.** Heating, ventilation and air-conditioning systems shall not be operated during resurfacing or refinishing operations or within 4 hours of the application of flammable or combustible liquids.

**1510.3 Business operation.** Floor surfacing and finishing operations shall not be conducted while an establishment is open to the public.

**1510.4 Ignition sources.** The power shall be shut down to all electrical sources of ignition within the flammable vapor area, unless those devices are classified for use in Class I, Division 1 hazardous locations.

**1510.5 Ventilation.** To prevent the accumulation of flammable vapors, mechanical ventilation at a minimum rate of 1 cubic foot per minute per square foot  $[0.00508 \text{ m}3/(s \cdot \text{m}2)]$  of area being finished shall be provided. Such exhaust shall be by approved temporary or portable means. Vapors shall be exhausted to the exterior of the building.

# ii. Fumigation or thermal insecticide fogging;

# DEFINITIONS

**1702.1 Definitions.** The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this chapter and as used elsewhere in this code, have the meanings shown herein.

**FUMIGANT.** A substance which by itself or in combination with any other substance emits or liberates a gas, fume or vapor utilized for the destruction or control of insects, fungi, vermin, germs, rats or other pests, and shall be distinguished from insecticides and disinfectants which are essentially effective in the solid or liquid phases. Examples are methyl bromide, ethylene dibromide, hydrogen cyanide, carbon disulfide and sulfuryl fluoride.

**FUMIGATION.** The utilization within an enclosed space of a fumigant in concentrations that are hazardous or acutely toxic to humans.

**INSECTICIDAL FOGGING.** The utilization of insecticidal liquids passed through fog-generating units where, by means of heat, pressure and turbulence, such liquids are transformed and discharged in the form of fog or mist blown into an area to be treated.

# FIRE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

**1703.1 General.** Structures in which fumigation and thermal insecticidal fogging operations are conducted shall comply with the fire protection and safety requirements of Sections 1703.2 through 1703.7.

**1703.2 Sources of ignition.** Fires, open flames and similar sources of ignition shall be eliminated from the space under fumigation or thermal insecticidal fogging. Heating, where needed, shall be of an approved type.

1703.2.1 Electricity. Electricity shall be shut off.

**Exception:** Circulating fans that have been specifically designed for utilization in hazardous atmospheres and installed in accordance with the electrical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**1703.3 Notification.** The fire code official and fire chief shall be notified in writing at least 24 hours before the structure is to be closed in connection with the utilization of any toxic or flammable fumigant. Notification shall give the location of the enclosed space to be fumigated or fogged, the occupancy, the fumigants or insecticides to be utilized, the person or persons responsible for the operation, and the date and time at which the operation will begin. Notice of any fumigation or thermal insecticidal fogging shall be served with sufficient advance notice to the occupants of the enclosed space involved to enable the occupants to evacuate the premises.

**1703.3.1 Warning signs.** Approved warning signs indicating the danger, type of chemical involved and necessary precautions shall be posted on all doors and entrances to the premises and upon all gangplanks and ladders from the deck, pier or land to the ship. Such notices shall be printed in red ink on a white background. Letters in the headlines shall be at least 2 inches (51 mm) in height and shall state the date and time of the operation, the name and address of the person, the name of the operator in charge, and a warning stating that the occupied premises shall be vacated at least 1 hour before the operation begins and shall not be reentered until the danger signs have been removed by the proper authorities.

**1703.3.2 Breathing apparatus.** Persons engaged in the business of fumigation or thermal insecticidal fogging shall maintain and have available approved protective breathing apparatus.

**1703.3.3 Watch personnel.** During the period fumigation is in progress, except when fumigation is conducted in a gas-tight vault or tank, a capable, alert watcher shall remain on duty at the entrance or entrances to the enclosed fumigated space until after the fumigation is completed and the premises properly ventilated and safe for occupancy. Sufficient watchers shall be provided to prevent persons from entering the enclosed space under fumigation without being observed.

**1703.4 Insecticidal fogging liquids.** Insecticidal fogging liquids with a flash point below100°F (38°C) shall not be utilized.

**1703.5 Sealing of buildings.** Paper and other similar materials that do not meet the flame propagation performance criteria of NFPA 701 shall not be used to wrap or cover a building in excess of that required for the sealing of cracks, casements and similar openings.

**1703.6 Venting and cleanup.** At the end of the exposure period, fumigators shall safely and properly ventilate the premises and contents; properly dispose of fumigant containers, residues, debris and other materials used for such fumigation; and clear obstructions from gas-fired appliance vents.

**1703.7 Flammable fumigants restricted.** The use of carbon disulfide and hydrogen cyanide shall be restricted to agricultural fumigation.

# iii. Carnivals and circuses employing mobile enclosed structures used for human occupancy;

# Definitions

"Carnival" means a traveling circus or other traveling amusement show having one or more of the following:

1. Mobile enclosed structures used for human occupancy; or

2. Tents or temporary membrane structures requiring a permit in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:23-3.14(b)22ii.

The application shall include the following:

- 1. Dates and locations of intended operation;
- 2. All uses requiring a permit under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7;
- 3. Complete plans for all mobile enclosed structures to be used for human occupancy;
- 4. Flame spread certifications, seating and usage diagrams for all tents;
- 5. Certificate of insurance;
- 6. Name, address and telephone number of the owner(s) of the carnival; and

7. Name of the person who will be with the carnival and will be responsible for securing all permits required by N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7 and for the correction of any violations of this Code.

# 5:70-4.16 Amusement buildings

(a) All buildings or portions thereof, of Use Group A-3, which are designed to disorient the occupant, reduce vision, present barriers or otherwise impede the flow of traffic, shall conform to all other applicable provisions of this Code and the following:

1. Every such amusement facility shall be equipped throughout with an automatic fire suppression system installed in accordance with the New Jersey Uniform Construction Code.

i. Exception: The use of a non-sprinklered building as a special amusement building shall be allowed provided that the following conditions are met:

(1) The building is not more than 1,000 square feet; or the portion of the building to be used as a special amusement is not greater than 1,000 square feet and the special amusement is separated from the rest of the building by fire resistive construction with a minimum one hour rating;

(2) The exit access travel distance does not exceed 50 feet;

(3) The special amusement is on the ground floor;

(4) A perimeter of 20 feet, suitable for firefighting ground operations, is provided around the building; and

(5) Sufficient fire department personnel and firefighting apparatus are standing by on site at all times that the special amusement building is occupied.

2. The interior finish of all walls and ceilings shall in no case be less than a Class I material in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:70-4.12(b) and (c).

i. No variance shall be granted for interior finishes.

3. Every such amusement facility shall be equipped with exit signs installed in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:70-4.11(k).

4. Every such amusement facility shall be equipped throughout with an approved automatic fire alarm system installed in accordance with the Uniform Construction Code and in accordance with (a)5 through (a)8 below.

5. The automatic alarm system shall activate a prerecorded message which can be clearly heard throughout the entire facility instructing the patrons to proceed to the nearest exit. Any alarm signals used in conjunction with the prerecorded message shall produce a signal which is distinctive from all sounds used in the normal operation of the amusement facility.

6. Every such amusement facility shall be equipped with emergency lighting equipment installed in accordance with the New Jersey Uniform Construction Code. The emergency lighting equipment shall automatically activate when:

i. The fire suppression system is activated;

ii. The fire alarm system is activated; or

iii. Loss of the primary power supply occurs.

7. All audio and visual equipment such as horns, bells, flashing or otherwise distracting stimuli and mechanized displays shall cease operation upon initiation of an alarm by the automatic fire alarm system or upon activation of the automatic fire suppression system.

8. Activation of the automatic alarm system shall automatically shut down the air distribution system.

# iv. The use of a covered mall in any of the following manners:

# (1) Placing or constructing temporary kiosks, display booths, concession equipment or the like in more than 25 percent of the common area of the mall;

# (2) Temporarily using the mall as a place of assembly;

### PUBLIC ASSEMBLAGES AND EVENTS

**403.1 Fire watch personnel.** When, in the opinion of the fire code official, it is essential for public safety in a place of assembly or any other place where people congregate, because of the number of persons, or the nature of the performance, exhibition, display, contest or activity, the owner, agent or lessee shall provide one or more fire watch personnel, as required and approved, to remain on duty during the times such places are open to the public, or when such activity is being conducted.

**403.1.1 Duties.** Fire watch personnel shall keep diligent watch for fires, obstructions to means of egress and other hazards during the time such place is open to the public or such activity is being conducted and take prompt measures for remediation of hazards, extinguishment of fires that occur and assist in the evacuation of the public from the structures.

**403.2** Public safety plan. In other than Group A or E occupancies, where the fire code official determines that an indoor or outdoor gathering of persons has an adverse impact on public safety through diminished access to buildings, structures, fire hydrants and fire apparatus access roads or where such gatherings adversely affect public safety services of any kind, the fire code official shall have the authority to order the development of, or prescribe a plan for, the provision of an approved level of public safety.

**403.2.1 Contents.** The public safety plan, where required by Section 403.2, shall address such items as emergency vehicle ingress and egress, fire protection, emergency medical services, public assembly areas and the directing of both attendees and vehicles (including the parking of vehicles), vendor and food concession distribution, and the need for the presence of law enforcement, and fire and emergency medical services personnel at the event.

**408.2.1 Seating plan.** The fire safety and evacuation plans for assembly occupancies shall include the information required by Section 404.3 and a detailed seating plan, occupant load, and occupant load limit. Deviations from the approved plans shall be allowed provided the occupant load limit for the occupancy is not exceeded and the aisles and exit access ways remain unobstructed.

#### OTHER THAN DECORATIVE VEGETATION

**807.1 General requirements.** In occupancies in Groups A, E, I and R-1 and dormitories in Group R-2, curtains, draperies, hangings and other decorative materials suspended from walls or ceilings shall meet

the flame propagation performance criteria of NFPA 701 in accordance with Section 806.2 or be noncombustible

**807.4 Occupancy-based requirements.** In occupancies in Group A, E and I-4 day care facilities, decorative materials other than decorative vegetation shall comply with Sections 807.4.1 through 807.4.2.

**807.4.1 General.** All of the following requirements shall apply to all Group A and E occupancies and Group I-4 day care facilities regulated by Sections 807.4.2 through 807.4.4:

1. Explosive or highly flammable materials. Furnishings or decorative materials of an explosive or highly flammable character shall not be used.

2. Fire-retardant coatings. Fire-retardant coatings in existing buildings shall be maintained so as to retain the effectiveness of the treatment under service conditions encountered in actual use.

3. Obstructions. Furnishings or other objects shall not be placed to obstruct exits, access thereto, egress therefrom or visibility thereof.

# (3) Using open flame or flame devices;

**308.1 General.** This section shall control open flames, fire and burning on all premises.

**308.2 Where prohibited.** A person shall not take or utilize an open flame or light in a structure, vessel, boat or other place where highly flammable, combustible or explosive material is utilized or stored. Lighting appliances shall be well-secured in a glass globe and wire mesh cage or a similar approved device.

**308.2.1 Throwing or placing sources of ignition.** No person shall throw or place, or cause to be thrown or placed, a lighted match, cigar, cigarette, matches, or other flaming or glowing substance or object on any surface or article where it can cause an unwanted fire.

**308.3 Open flame.** A person shall not utilize or allow to be utilized, an open flame in connection with a public meeting or gathering for purposes of deliberation, entertainment, amusement, instruction, education, recreation, awaiting transportation or similar purpose in Group A or E occupancies without first obtaining a permit in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7.

# 308.3.1 Open-flame cooking devices and outdoor fireplaces.

Charcoal burners, other open-flame cooking devices and outdoor fireplaces shall not be operated or stored on combustible balconies or decks or within 5 feet (1524 mm) of combustible construction.

# **Exceptions:**

- 1. Detached one- and two-family dwellings.
- 2. Where buildings, balconies and decks are protected by an automatic sprinkler system.

**308.3.1.1 Liquefied-petroleum-gas-fueled cooking devices.** Portable LP-gas cooking equipment such as barbecue grills and outdoor fireplaces shall not be stored or used:

- 1. On any porch, balcony or any other portion of a building;
- 2. Within any room or space of a building;
- 3. Within 5 feet (1524 mm) of any combustible exterior wall;
- 4. Within 5 feet (1524 mm), vertically or horizontally, of an opening in any wall; or
- 5. Under any building overhang.

**Exception:** Detached one- and two-family dwellings.

**308.3.2 Open-flame decorative devices.** Open-flame decorative devices shall comply with all of the following restrictions:

1. Class I and Class II liquids and LP-gas shall not be used.

2. Liquid- or solid-fueled lighting devices containing more than 8 ounces (237 ml) of fuel must selfextinguish and not leak fuel at a rate of more than 0.25 teaspoon per minute (1.26 ml per minute) if tipped over.

3. The device or holder shall be constructed to prevent the spillage of liquid fuel or wax at the rate of more than 0.25 teaspoon per minute (1.26 ml per minute) when the device or holder is not in an upright position.

4. The device or holder shall be designed so that it will return to the upright position after being tilted to an angle of 45 degrees from vertical.

**Exception:** Devices that self-extinguish if tipped over and do not spill fuel or wax at the rate of more than 0.25 teaspoon per minute (1.26 ml per minute) if tipped over.

5. The flame shall be enclosed except where openings on the side are not more than 0.375 inch (9.5 mm) diameter or where openings are on the top and the distance to the top is such that a piece of tissue paper placed on the top will not ignite in 10 seconds.

6. Chimneys shall be made of noncombustible materials and securely attached to the open-flame device.

**Exception:** A chimney is not required to be attached to any open-flame device that will self-extinguish if the device is tipped over.

7. Fuel canisters shall be safely sealed for storage.

8. Storage and handling of combustible liquids shall be in accordance with Chapter 34.

9. Shades, where used, shall be made of noncombustible materials and securely attached to the openflame device holder or chimney.

10. Candelabras with flame-lighted candles shall be securely fastened in place to prevent overturning, and shall be located away from occupants using the area and away from possible contact with drapes, curtains or other combustibles.

**308.3.3 Location near combustibles.** Open flames such as from candles, lanterns, kerosene heaters, and gas-fired heaters shall not be located on or near decorative material or similar combustible materials.

**308.3.4 Aisles and exits.** Candles shall be prohibited in areas where occupants stand, or in an aisle or exit.

308.3.5. Deleted.

**308.3.6 Theatrical performances.** Where approved, open-flame devices used in conjunction with theatrical performances are allowed to be used when adequate safety precautions have been taken in accordance with NFPA 160.

308.3.7 Group A occupancies. Open-flame devices shall not be used in a Group A occupancy.

#### **Exceptions:**

1. Open-flame devices are allowed to be used in the following situations, provided approved precautions are taken to prevent ignition of a combustible material or injury to occupants:

1.1. Where necessary for ceremonial or religious purposes.

1.2. On stages and platforms as a necessary part of a performance in accordance with Section 308.3.6.

1.3. Where candles on tables are securely supported on substantial noncombustible bases and the candle flames are protected.

2. Heat-producing equipment complying with Chapter 6 and the mechanical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

3. Gas lights are allowed to be used provided adequate precautions satisfactory to the fire code official are taken to prevent ignition of combustible materials.

**308.3.8 Group R-2 dormitories.** Candles, incense and similar open-flame-producing items shall not be allowed in sleeping units in Group R-2 dormitory occupancies.

**308.4 Torches for removing paint.** Persons utilizing a torch or other flame-producing device for removing paint from a structure or for sealing membrane roofs shall provide a minimum of one portable fire extinguisher complying with Section 906 and with a minimum 4-A rating, two portable fire extinguishers, each with a minimum 2-A rating, or a water hose connected to the water supply on the premises where such burning is done. The person doing the burning shall remain on the premises 1 hour after the torch or flame-producing device is utilized. The use of open flame burning or the use of high-temperature [in excess of 1000°F (538°C)] heat guns on painted surfaces in buildings of Use Group R that were constructed before 1978, Use Group E and Use Group I-2 buildings used as child care facilities, shall be prohibited unless the painted surfaces have been tested and found to be free of lead-based paint.

**308.4.1 Permit.** A permit in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7 shall be secured from the fire code official prior to the utilization of a torch or flame-producing device to remove paint to seal membrane roofs, or for any similar use in or around any building, structure or combustible material.

**308.5 Open-flame devices.** Torches and other devices, machines or processes liable to start or cause fire shall not be operated or used in or upon hazardous fire areas, except by a permit in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7 secured from the fire code official.

**Exception:** Use within inhabited premises or designated campsites which are a minimum of 30 feet (9144 mm) from grass-, grain-, brush- or forest-covered areas.

**308.5.1 Signals and markers.** Flame-employing devices, such as lanterns or kerosene road flares, shall not be operated or used as a signal or marker in or upon hazardous fire areas.

**Exception:** The proper use of fusees at the scenes of emergencies or as required by standard railroad operating procedures.

**308.5.2 Portable fueled open-flame devices.** Portable open-flame devices fueled by flammable or combustible gases or liquids shall be enclosed or installed in such a manner as to prevent the flame from contacting combustible material.

# **Exceptions:**

- 1. LP-gas-fueled devices used for sweating pipe joints or removing paint in accordance with Chapter 38.
- 2. Cutting and welding operations in accordance with Chapter 26.
- 3. Torches or flame-producing devices in accordance with Section 308.4.
- 4. Candles and open-flame decorative devices in accordance with Section 308.3.

**308.6 Flaming food and beverage preparation.** The preparation of flaming foods or beverages in places of assembly and drinking or dining establishments shall be in accordance with Sections 308.6.1 through 308.6.5.

**308.6.1 Dispensing.** Flammable or combustible liquids used in the preparation of flaming foods or beverages shall be dispensed from one of the following:

1. A 1-ounce (29.6 ml) container; or

2. A container not exceeding 1-quart (946.5 ml) capacity with a controlled pouring device that will limit the flow to a 1-ounce (29.6 ml) serving.

**308.6.2 Containers not in use.** Containers shall be secured to prevent spillage when not in use.

**308.6.3 Serving of flaming food.** The serving of flaming foods or beverages shall be done in a safe manner and shall not create high flames. The pouring, ladling or spooning of liquids is restricted to a maximum height of 8 inches (203 mm) above the receiving receptacle.

**308.6.4 Location.** Flaming foods or beverages shall be prepared only in the immediate vicinity of the table being serviced. They shall not be transported or carried while burning.

**308.6.5 Fire protection.** The person preparing the flaming foods or beverages shall have a wet cloth towel immediately available for use in smothering the flames in the event of an emergency.

# (4) Displaying liquid or gas fuel powered equipment; or

**314.4 Vehicles.** Liquid- or gas-fueled vehicles, boats or other motorcraft shall not be located indoors except as follows:

- 1. Batteries are disconnected.
- 2. Fuel in fuel tanks does not exceed one-quarter tank or 5 gallons (19 L) (whichever is least).
- 3. Fuel tanks and fill openings are closed and sealed to prevent tampering.
- 4. Vehicles, boats or other motorcraft equipment are not fueled or defueled within the building.

# (5) Using liquefied petroleum gas, liquefied natural gas or compressed flammable gas in containers exceeding five pound capacity.

**308.3.1.1 Liquefied-petroleum-gas-fueled cooking devices.** Portable LP-gas cooking equipment such as barbecue grills and outdoor fireplaces shall not be stored or used:

- 1. On any porch, balcony or any other portion of a building;
- 2. Within any room or space of a building;
- 3. Within 5 feet (1524 mm) of any combustible exterior wall;
- 4. Within 5 feet (1524 mm), vertically or horizontally, of an opening in any wall; or
- 5. Under any building overhang.

Exception: Detached one- and two-family dwellings.

**308.3.2 Open-flame decorative devices.** Open-flame decorative devices shall comply with all of the following restrictions:

1. Class I and Class II liquids and LP-gas shall not be used.

2. Liquid- or solid-fueled lighting devices containing more than 8 ounces (237 ml) of fuel must selfextinguish and not leak fuel at a rate of more than 0.25 teaspoon per minute (1.26 ml per minute) if tipped over. 3. The device or holder shall be constructed to prevent the spillage of liquid fuel or wax at the rate of more than 0.25 teaspoon per minute (1.26 ml per minute) when the device or holder is not in an upright position.

4. The device or holder shall be designed so that it will return to the upright position after being tilted to an angle of 45 degrees from vertical.

**Exception:** Devices that self-extinguish if tipped over and do not spill fuel or wax at the rate of more minute) if tipped over.

5. The flame shall be enclosed except where openings on the side are not more than 0.375 inch (9.5 mm) diameter or where openings are on the top and the distance to the top is such that a piece of tissue paper placed on the top will not ignite in 10 seconds.

6. Chimneys shall be made of noncombustible materials and securely attached to the open-flame device.

**Exception:** A chimney is not required to be attached to any open-flame device that will self-extinguish if the device is tipped over.

7. Fuel canisters shall be safely sealed for storage.

8. Storage and handling of combustible liquids shall be in accordance with Chapter 34.

9. Shades, where used, shall be made of noncombustible materials and securely attached to the openflame device holder or chimney.

10. Candelabras with flame-lighted candles shall be securely fastened in place to prevent overturning, and shall be located away from occupants using the area and away from possible contact with drapes, curtains or other combustibles.

**308.4 Torches for removing paint.** Persons utilizing a torch or other flame-producing device for removing paint from a structure or for sealing membrane roofs shall provide a minimum of one portable fire extinguisher complying with Section 906 and with a minimum 4-A rating, two portable fire extinguishers, each with a minimum 2-A rating, or a water hose connected to the water supply on the premises where such burning is done. The person doing the burning shall remain on the premises 1 hour after the torch or flame-producing device is utilized. The use of open flame burning or the use of high-temperature [in excess of 1000°F (538°C)] heat guns on painted surfaces in buildings of Use Group R that were constructed before 1978, Use Group E and Use Group I-2 buildings used as child care facilities, shall be prohibited unless the painted surfaces have been tested and found to be free of lead-based paint.

**308.4.1 Permit.** A permit in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7 shall be secured from the fire code official prior to the utilization of a torch or flame-producing device to remove paint to seal membrane roofs, or for any similar use in or around any building, structure or combustible material.

**308.5 Open-flame devices.** Torches and other devices, machines or processes liable to start or cause fire shall not be operated or used in or upon hazardous fire areas, except by a permit in accordance with N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7 secured from the fire code official.

**3501.1 Scope.** The storage and use of flammable gases shall be in accordance with this chapter. Compressed gases shall also comply with Chapter 30 and gaseous hydrogen systems shall also comply with NFPA 55.

**3503.1.1 Special limitations for indoor storage and use.** Flammable gases shall not be stored or used in Group A, B, E, I or R occupancies.

### **Exceptions:**

 Cylinders not exceeding a capacity of 250 cubic feet (7.08 m3) each at normal temperature and pressure (NTP) used for maintenance purposes, patient care or operation of equipment.
Food service operations in accordance with Section 3803.2.1.7.

**3503.1.2 Storage containers.** Cylinders and pressure vessels for flammable gases shall be designed, constructed, installed, tested and maintained in accordance with Chapter30. Conveying flammable gases shall be provided with approved manual or automatic emergency shutoff valves that can be activated at each point of use and at each source.

**3503.1.3.1 Shutoff at source.** A manual or automatic fail-safe emergency shutoff valve shall be installed on supply piping at the cylinder or bulk source. Manual or automatic cylinder valves are allowed to be used as the required emergency shutoff valve when the source of supply is limited to un-manifolded cylinder sources.

**3503.1.3.2 Shutoff at point of use.** A manual or automatic emergency shutoff valve shall be installed on the supply piping at the point of use or at a point where the equipment using the gas is connected to the supply system.

**3503.1.4 Ignition source control.** Ignition sources in areas containing flammable gases in storage or in use shall be controlled in accordance with Section 2703.7.

**Exception:** Fuel gas systems connected to building service utilities in accordance with the fuel gas subcode of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**3503.1.4.1 Static-producing equipment.** Static-producing equipment located in flammable gas storage areas shall be grounded.

**3503.1.4.2 Signs.** "No Smoking" signs shall be posted at entrances to rooms and in areas containing flammable gases in accordance with Section 2703.7.1

**3504.1 Indoor storage.** Indoor storage of flammable gases in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Table 2703.1.1(1), shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703 and 2704, and this chapter.

**3504.1.1 Explosion control.** Buildings or portions thereof containing flammable gases shall be provided with explosion control in accordance with Section 911. LP-gas containers in buildings shall be in accordance with Sections 3803.2.1 and 3803.2.2.

**3803.2.1 Portable containers.** Portable LP-gas containers, as defined in NFPA 58, shall not be used in buildings except as specified in NFPA 58 and Sections 3803.2.1.1 through 3803.2.1.7.

**3803.2.1.5 Demonstration uses.** Portable LP-gas containers are allowed to be used temporarily for demonstrations and public exhibitions. Such containers shall not exceed a water capacity of 12 pounds (5 kg). Where more than one such container is present in the same room, each container shall be separated from other containers by a distance of not less than 20 feet (6096 mm).

**3803.2.1.6 Use with self-contained torch assemblies.** Portable LP-gas containers are allowed to be used to supply approved self-contained torch assemblies or similar appliances. Such containers shall not exceed a water capacity of 2.5 pounds (1 kg).

**3803.2.1.7 Use for food preparation.** Where approved, listed LP-gas commercial food service appliances are allowed to be used for food-preparation within restaurants and in attended commercial food-catering operations in accordance with the fuel gas and mechanical sub-codes of the *Uniform Construction Code* and NFPA 58.

#### **PROHIBITED USE OF LP-GAS**

**3805.1** Non-approved equipment. LP-gas shall not be used for the purpose of operating devices or equipment unless such device or equipment is approved for use with LP-gas.

**3805.2 Release to the atmosphere.** LP-gas shall not be released to the atmosphere, except through an approved liquid- level gauge or other approved device.

# SAFETY PRECAUTIONS AND DEVICES

**3807.1 Safety devices.** Safety devices on LP-gas containers, equipment and systems shall not be tampered with or made ineffective.

**3807.2 Smoking and other sources of ignition.** "No Smoking" signs complying with Section 310 shall be posted when required by the fire code official. Smoking within 25 feet (7620 mm) of a point of transfer, while filling operations are in progress at containers or vehicles, shall be prohibited. Control of other sources of ignition shall comply with Chapter 3 and NFPA 58, Section 6.20.

**3807.3 Clearance to combustibles.** Weeds, grass, brush, trash and other combustible materials shall be kept a minimum of 10 feet (3048 mm) from LP-gas tanks or containers.

**3808.2 Portable fire extinguishers.** Portable fire extinguishers complying with Section 906 shall be provided as specified in NFPA 58.

#### CONTAINERS NOT IN SERVICE

**3810.1 Temporarily out of service.** Containers whose use has been temporarily discontinued shall comply with all of the following:

- 1. Be disconnected from appliance piping.
- 2. Have container outlets, except relief valves, closed or plugged.
- 3. Be positioned with the relief valve in direct communication with container vapor space.

**2208.2 Approvals.** Storage vessels and equipment used for the storage, compression or dispensing of CNG shall be approved or listed in accordance with Sections 2208.2.1 and 2208.2.2.

**2208.2.1 Approved equipment.** Containers, compressors, pressure relief devices (including pressure relief valves), and pressure regulators and piping used for CNG shall be approved.

**2208.2.2 Listed equipment.** Hoses, hose connections, dispensers, gas detection systems and electrical equipment used for CNG shall be listed. Vehicle-fueling connections shall be listed and labeled.

**2208.6 Valves.** Gas piping to equipment shall be provided with a remote, readily accessible manual shutoff valve.

# <u>v. Storage outside of buildings of LP-gas cylinders when a part of a cylinder</u> <u>exchange program.</u>

#### **VEHICLE/HEAVY OBJECT IMPACT PROTECTION**

**312.1 General.** Vehicle or other heavy object impact protection required by this code shall be provided by posts that comply with Section 312.2 or by other approved physical barriers that comply with Section 312.3.

**312.2 Posts.** Guard posts shall comply with all of the following requirements:

1. Constructed of steel not less than 4 inches (102 mm) in diameter and concrete filled and painted yellow.

2. Spaced not more than 4 feet, 6 inches (1372 mm) between posts on center.

3. Set not less than 3 feet, 6 inches (1067 mm) deep in a concrete footing of not less than a 18-inch (457 mm) diameter.

- 4. Set with the top of the posts not less than 3 feet (914 mm) above ground.
- 5. Located not less than 2 feet (610 mm) from the protected object.

**312.2.1 High speed or heavy traffic areas.** In areas where high speed or heavy duty traffic occurs, the following shall be the requirements for motor vehicle protection:

1. Posts are to be a minimum of 6-inch (152 mm) diameter Schedule 40 pipe and painted yellow;

2. Posts are to be buried a minimum of 48 inches (1219 mm) deep and extend a minimum of 48 inches (1219 mm) above grade and be filled with concrete;

3. Posts are to be set at 4 feet (1219 mm) maximum centers;

4. Posts are to be encased in concrete of 24 inches (610 mm) diameter and 48 inches (1219 mm) in depth for minimum standards; and

5. The crash protection shall be installed a minimum of 24 inches (610 mm) from the LP-gas container(s).

**312.3 Other barriers.** Physical barriers shall be a minimum of 36 inches (914 mm) in height and shall resist a force of 12,000 pounds (53 375 N) applied 36 inches (914 mm) above the adjacent ground surface.

# SAFETY PRECAUTIONS AND DEVICES

**3807.1 Safety devices.** Safety devices on LP-gas containers, equipment and systems shall not be tampered with or made ineffective.

**3807.2 Smoking and other sources of ignition.** "No Smoking" signs complying with Section 310 shall be posted when required by the fire code official. Smoking within 25 feet (7620 mm) of a point of transfer, while filling operations are in progress at containers or vehicles, shall be prohibited. Control of other sources of ignition shall comply with Chapter 3 and NFPA 58, Section 6.20.

**3807.3 Clearance to combustibles.** Weeds, grass, brush, trash and other combustible materials shall be kept a minimum of 10 feet (3048 mm) from LP-gas tanks or containers.

**3807.4 Protecting containers from vehicles.** Where exposed to vehicular damage due to proximity to alleys, driveways or parking areas, LP-gas containers, regulators and piping shall be protected in accordance with Section 312.

**3807.5 Container markings.** Containers of 100 pounds (45 kg) or more water capacity shall be legibly marked with a warning followed by the name of the gas contained. The warning label shall read "Flammable Gas" followed by the name of the gas, such as "Propane" or "Butane."

**3807.6 Storage area signs.** Storage areas having containers exceeding 100 pounds (45 kg) product water capacity shall be posted with adequate "No smoking" and "Flammable Gas" signs legibly marked. The "Flammable Gas" sign shall be marked "Flammable Gas" and the name of the gas to indicate the contents such as "Flammable Gas—Propane" or "Flammable Gas—Butane."

**3807.7 Marker plates.** All LP-gas installations exceeding 250 gallons (946 L) individual or aggregate water capacity shall be provided with a marker plate or sign indicating who should be called in the event of an emergency involving the LP-gas installation. The marker or sign shall include the following:

1. The name of the gas supplier, plant installer, owner or operator who will respond to the emergency; and

2. The telephone number of that person.

**3807.8 Notification response.** The LP-gas supplier, plant installer, owner or operator indicated on the marker plate or sign required in Section 3807.7 shall respond when notified to all LP-gas emergencies occurring at the installation and shall maintain a 24-hour phone service.

**3807.9 Fire or explosion.** Whenever there is a fire or explosion or accident involving serious injury or loss of life as a result of an incident involving an LP-gas installation, the responsible party as identified per Section 3807.7 shall promptly notify the fire official of its occurrence.

#### **FIRE PROTECTION**

**3808.2 Portable fire extinguishers.** Portable fire extinguishers complying with Section 906 shall be provided as specified in NFPA 58.

# STORAGE OF PORTABLE LP-GAS CONTAINERS AWAITING USE OR RESALE

**3809.1 General.** Storage of portable containers of 1,000 pounds (454 kg) or less, whether filled, partially filled or empty, at consumer sites or distributing points, and for resale by dealers or resellers shall comply with Sections 3809.2 through 3809.15.

#### **Exceptions:**

- 1. Containers that have not previously been in LP-gas service.
- 2. Containers at distributing plants.
- 3. Containers at consumer sites or distributing points, which are connected for use.

**3809.2 Exposure hazards.** Containers in storage shall be located in a manner which minimizes exposure to excessive temperature rise, physical damage or tampering.

**3809.3 Position.** Containers in storage having individual water capacity greater than 2.5 pounds (1 kg) [nominal 1-pound (0.454 kg) LP-gas capacity] shall be positioned with the pressure relief value in direct communication with the vapor space of the container.

**3809.4 Separation from means of egress.** Containers stored in buildings in accordance with Sections 3809.9 and 3809.11 shall not be located near exit access doors, exits, stairways, or in areas normally used, or intended to be used, as a means of egress.

**3809.5 Quantity.** Empty containers that have been in LP-gas service shall be considered as full containers for the purpose of determining the maximum quantities of LP-gas allowed in Sections 3809.9 and 3809.11.

3809.6 Storage on roofs. Containers shall not be stored on roofs.

**3809.7 Storage in basement, pit or similar location.** LP-gas containers shall not be stored in a basement, pit or similar location where heavier-than-air gas might collect. LP-gas containers shall not be stored in above-grade under floor spaces or basements unless such location is provided with an approved means of ventilation.

**Exception:** Department of Transportation (DOTn) specification cylinders with a maximum water capacity of 2.5 pounds (1 kg) for use in completely self-contained hand torches and similar applications. The quantity of LP-gas shall not exceed 20 pounds (9 kg).

**3809.8 Protection of valves on containers in storage.** Container valves shall be protected by screw-on-type caps or collars which shall be securely in place on all containers stored regardless of whether they are full, partially full or empty. Container outlet valves shall be closed or plugged.

**3809.9 Storage within buildings accessible to the public.** Department of Transportation (DOTn) specification cylinders with maximum water capacity of 2.5 pounds (1 kg) used in completely self-contained hand torches and similar applications are allowed to be stored or displayed in a building accessible to the public. The quantity of LP-gas shall not exceed 200 pounds (91 kg) except as provided in Section 3809.11.

**3809.10 Storage within buildings not accessible to the public.** The maximum quantity allowed in one storage location in buildings not accessible to the public, such as industrial buildings, shall not exceed a water capacity of 735 pounds (334 kg) [nominal 300 pounds (136 kg) of LP-gas]. Where additional storage locations are required on the same floor within the same building, they shall be separated by a minimum of 300 feet (91 440 mm). Storage beyond these limitations shall comply with Section 3809.11.

**3809.10.1 Quantities on equipment and vehicles.** Containers carried as part of service equipment on highway mobile vehicles need not be considered in the total storage capacity in Section 3809.10, provided such vehicles are stored in private garages and do not carry more than three LP-gas containers

with a total aggregate LP-gas capacity not exceeding 100 pounds (45.4 kg) per vehicle. Container valves shall be closed.

**3809.11 Storage within rooms used for gas manufacturing.** Storage within buildings or rooms used for gas manufacturing, gas storage, gas-air mixing and vaporization, and compressors not associated with liquid transfer shall comply with Sections 3809.11.1 and 3809.11.2.

3809.11.1 Quantity limits. The maximum quantity of LP-gas shall be 10,000 pounds (4540 kg).

**3809.11.2 Construction.** The construction of such buildings and rooms shall comply with requirements for Group H occupancies in the building sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*, Chapter 10 of NFPA 58, and both of the following:

1. Adequate vents shall be provided to the outside at both top and bottom, located at least 5 feet (1524 mm) from building openings.

2. The entire area shall be classified for the purposes of ignition source control in accordance with Section 6.20 of NFPA 58.

**3809.12** Location of storage outside of buildings. Storage outside of buildings of containers awaiting use, resale or part of a cylinder exchange program shall be located in accordance with Table 3809.12.

**3809.13 Protection of containers.** Containers shall be stored within a suitable enclosure or otherwise protected against tampering. Vehicular protection shall be provided as required by the fire code official.

**3809.14 Alternative location and protection of storage.** Containers located outside of buildings shall not be located within 20 feet (6096 mm) of any exit access doors, exits, stairways or in areas normally used, or intended to be used, as a means of egress.

**3809.15** Alternative location and protection of storage. Where the provisions of Sections 3809.12 and 3809.13 are impractical at construction sites, or at buildings or structures undergoing major renovation or repairs, the storage of containers shall be as required by the fire code official.

# CONTAINERS NOT IN SERVICE

**3810.1 Temporarily out of service.** Containers whose use has been temporarily discontinued shall comply with all of the following:

- 1. Be disconnected from appliance piping.
- 2. Have container outlets, except relief valves, closed or plugged.
- 3. Be positioned with the relief valve in direct communication with container vapor space.

**3810.2 Permanently out of service.** Containers to be placed permanently out of service shall be removed from the site.

# 5. Type 3 permit:

# <u>i. Industrial processing ovens or furnaces operating at approximately</u> <u>atmospheric pressures and temperatures not exceeding 1,400 degrees Fahrenheit</u> <u>which are heated with oil or gas fuel or which contain flammable vapors from the</u> <u>product being processed;</u>

# GENERAL

**2101.1 Scope.** This chapter shall apply to the installation and operation of industrial ovens and furnaces. Industrial ovens and furnaces shall comply with the applicable provisions of NFPA 86, the construction code in effect at the time of construction and this chapter. The terms "ovens" and "furnaces" are used interchangeably in this chapter.

# DEFINITIONS

**2102.1 Definitions.** The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this chapter and as used elsewhere in this code, have the meanings shown herein.

**FURNACE CLASS A.** An oven or furnace that has heat utilization equipment operating at approximately atmospheric pressure wherein there is a potential explosion or fire hazard that could be occasioned by the presence of flammable volatiles or combustible materials processed or heated in the furnace.

**Note:** Such flammable volatiles or combustible materials can, for instance, originate from the following:

1. Paints, powders, inks, and adhesives from finishing processes, such as dipped, coated, sprayed and impregnated materials.

- 2. The substrate material.
- 3. Wood, paper and plastic pallets, spacers or packaging materials.

4. Polymerization or other molecular rearrangements. Potentially flammable materials, such as quench oil, water-borne finishes, cooling oil or cooking oils that present a hazard are ventilated according to Class A standards.

**FURNACE CLASS B.** An oven or furnace that has heat utilization equipment operating at approximately atmospheric pressure wherein there are no flammable volatiles or combustible materials being heated.

**FURNACE CLASS C.** An oven or furnace that has a potential hazard due to a flammable or other special atmosphere being used for treatment of material in process. This type of furnace can use any type of heating system and includes a special atmosphere supply system. Also included in the Class C classification are integral quench furnaces and molten salt bath furnaces.

**FURNACE CLASS D.** An oven or furnace that operates at temperatures from above ambient to over 5,000°F (2760°C) and at pressures normally below atmospheric using any type of heating system. These furnaces can include the use of special processing atmospheres.

# LOCATION

2103.1. Deleted.

**2103.2 Exposure.** When locating ovens, oven heaters and related equipment, the possibility of fire resulting from overheating or from the escape of fuel gas or fuel oil and the possibility of damage to the building and injury to persons resulting from explosion shall be considered.

**2103.3 Ignition source.** Industrial ovens and furnaces shall be located so as not to pose an ignition hazard to flammable vapors or mists or combustible dusts.

**2103.4 Temperatures.** Roofs and floors of ovens shall be insulated and ventilated to prevent temperatures at combustible ceilings and floors from exceeding 160°F (71°C).

# **FUEL PIPING**

**2104.1 Fuel-gas piping.** Fuel-gas piping serving industrial ovens shall comply with the fuel gas sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*. Piping for other fuel sources shall comply with this section.

**2104.2 Shutoff valves.** Each industrial oven or furnace shall be provided with an approved manual fuel shutoff valve in accordance with the mechanical sub-code or the fuel gas sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**2104.2.1 Fuel supply lines.** Valves for fuel supply lines shall be located within 6 feet (1829 mm) of the appliance served.

**Exception:** When approved and the valve is located in the same general area as the appliance served.

**2104.3 Valve position.** The design of manual fuel shutoff valves shall incorporate a permanent feature which visually indicates the open or closed position of the valve. Manual fuel shutoff valves shall not be

equipped with removable handles or wrenches unless the handle or wrench can only be installed parallel with the fuel line when the valve is in the open position.

# INTERLOCKS

**2105.1 Shut down.** Interlocks shall be provided for Class A ovens so that conveyors or sources of flammable or combustible materials shall shut down if either the exhaust or recirculation air supply fails.

# **FIRE PROTECTION**

**2106.1 Required protection.** Class A and B ovens which contain, or are utilized for the processing of, combustible materials shall be protected by an approved automatic fire-extinguishing system complying with Chapter 9.

**2106.2 Fixed fire-extinguishing systems.** Fixed fire-extinguishing systems shall be provided for Class C or D ovens to protect against such hazards as overheating, spillage of molten salts or metals, quench tanks, ignition of hydraulic oil and escape of fuel. It shall be the user's responsibility to consult with the fire code official concerning the necessary requirements for such protection.

**2106.3 Fire extinguishers.** Portable fire extinguishers complying with Section 906 shall be provided not closer than 15 feet (4572 mm) or a maximum of 50 feet (15 240 mm) or in accordance with NFPA 10. This shall apply to the oven and related equipment.

# **OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE**

**2107.1 Furnace system information.** An approved, clearly worded, and prominently displayed safety design data form or manufacturer's nameplate shall be provided stating the safe operating condition for which the furnace system was designed, built, altered or extended.

**2107.2 Oven nameplate.** Safety data for Class A solvent atmosphere ovens shall be furnished on the manufacturer's nameplate. The nameplate shall provide the following design data:

- 1. The solvent used.
- 2. The number of gallons (liters) used per batch or per hour of solvent entering the oven.
- 3. The required purge time.
- 4. The oven operating temperature.

5. The exhaust blower rating for the number of gallons (liters) of solvent per hour or batch at the maximum operating temperature.

**Exception:** For low-oxygen ovens, the maximum allowable oxygen concentration shall be included in place of the exhaust blower ratings.

**2107.3 Training.** Operating, maintenance and supervisory personnel shall be thoroughly instructed and trained in the operation of ovens or furnaces.

**2107.4 Equipment maintenance.** Equipment shall be maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

# *ii. Wrecking yards, junk yards, outdoor used tire storage, waste material handling plants, and outside storage of forest products not otherwise classified; or*

**304.2 Storage.** Storage of combustible rubbish shall not produce conditions that will create a nuisance or a hazard to the public health, safety or welfare.

304.4 Waste material plants. Waste material plants shall also comply with this section.

**304.4.1 Fire access.** Approved aisles, driveways and uniform passageways shall be provided to permit access for fire-fighting operations, including areas where stripped vehicle bodies are stored.

**304.4.2 Picking rooms.** Picking rooms shall be provided with exhaust systems of sufficient capacity to remove dust and lint.

**304.4.3 Burning operations.** The burning of wrecked or discarded vehicles, or any parts thereof, or any junk or waste materials shall be prohibited.

**305.1 Clearance from ignition sources.** Clearance between ignition sources, such as luminaires, heaters, flame-producing devices and combustible materials, shall be maintained in an approved manner.

**305.2 Hot ashes and spontaneous ignition sources.** Hot ashes, cinders, smoldering coals or greasy or oily materials subject to spontaneous ignition shall not be deposited in a combustible receptacle, within 10 feet (3048 mm) of other combustible material including combustible walls and partitions or within 2 feet (610 mm) of openings to buildings.

**Exception:** The minimum required separation distance to other combustible materials shall be 2 feet (610 mm) where the material is deposited in a covered, noncombustible receptacle placed on a noncombustible floor, ground surface or stand.

**305.4 Deliberate or negligent burning.** It shall be unlawful to deliberately or through negligence set fire to or cause the burning of combustible material in such a manner as to endanger the safety of persons or property.

**308.2 Where prohibited.** A person shall not take or utilize an open flame or light in a structure, vessel, boat or other place where highly flammable, combustible or explosive material is utilized or stored. Lighting appliances shall be well-secured in a glass globe and wire mesh cage or a similar approved device.

**308.2.1 Throwing or placing sources of ignition.** No person shall throw or place, or cause to be thrown or placed, a lighted match, cigar, cigarette, matches, or other flaming or glowing substance or object on any surface or article where it can cause an unwanted fire.

**310.1 General.** The smoking or carrying of a lighted pipe, cigar, cigarette or any other type of smoking paraphernalia or material is prohibited in the areas indicated in this section.

**310.2 Prohibited areas.** Smoking shall be prohibited where conditions are such as to make smoking a hazard, and in spaces where flammable or combustible materials are stored or handled.

**310.3 "No Smoking" signs.** The fire code official is authorized to order the posting of "No Smoking" signs in a conspicuous location in each structure or location in which smoking is prohibited. The content, lettering, size, color and location of required "No Smoking" signs shall be approved.

**310.4 Removal of signs prohibited.** A posted "No Smoking" sign shall not be obscured, removed, defaced, mutilated or destroyed.

**310.5 Compliance with "No Smoking" signs.** Smoking shall not be permitted nor shall a person smoke, throw or deposit any lighted or smoldering substance in any place where "No Smoking" signs are posted.

**310.6** Ash trays. Where smoking is permitted, suitable noncombustible ash trays or match receivers shall be provided on each table and at other appropriate locations.

**310.7 Burning objects.** Lighted matches, cigarettes, cigars or other burning object shall not be discarded in such a manner that could cause ignition of other combustible material.

**315.1 General.** Storage, use and handling of miscellaneous combustible materials shall be in accordance with this section and NFPA 230.

**315.2 Storage in buildings.** Storage of combustible materials in buildings shall be orderly. Storage shall be separated from heaters or heating devices by distance or shielding so that ignition cannot occur.

**315.2.1 Ceiling clearance.** Storage shall be maintained 2 feet (610 mm) or more below the ceiling in non-sprinklered areas of buildings or in accordance with NFPA 25 with at least a minimum of 18 inches (457 mm) below sprinkler head deflectors in sprinklered areas of buildings.

315.2.2 Means of egress. Combustible materials shall not be stored in exits or exit enclosures.

**315.2.3 Equipment rooms.** Combustible material shall not be stored in boiler rooms, mechanical rooms or electrical equipment rooms.

**315.2.4 Attic, under-floor and concealed spaces.** Attic, under-floor and concealed spaces used for storage of combustible materials shall be protected on the storage side as required for 1-hour fire-resistance-rated construction. Openings shall be protected by assemblies that are self-closing and are of noncombustible construction or solid wood core not less than 1.75 inches (44.5 mm) in thickness. Storage shall not be placed on exposed joists.

# **Exceptions:**

1. Areas protected by approved automatic sprinkler systems.

2. Group R-3 and Group U occupancies.

**315.2.5.** The storage of combustible or flammable materials shall be confined to approved storage areas.

**315.3 Outside storage.** Outside storage of combustible materials shall be compact and orderly and shall not be located within 15 feet (4572 mm) of a property line or building.

# **Exceptions:**

1. The separation distance is allowed to be reduced to 3 feet (914 mm) for storage not exceeding 6 feet (1829 mm) in height.

2. The separation distance is allowed to be reduced when the fire code official determines that no hazard to the adjoining property exists.

**315.3.1 Storage beneath overhead projections from buildings.** Combustible materials stored or displayed outside of buildings that are protected by automatic sprinklers shall not be stored or displayed under non-sprinklered eaves, canopies or other projections or overhangs.

**315.3.2 Height.** Storage in the open shall not exceed 20 feet (6096 mm) in height.

**503.2 Specifications.** Fire apparatus access roads shall be installed and arranged in accordance with Sections 503.2.1 through 503.2.7.

**503.2.1 Dimensions.** Fire apparatus access roads shall have an unobstructed width of not less than 20 feet (6096 mm), except for approved security gates in accordance with Section 503.6, and an unobstructed vertical clearance of not less than 13 feet 6 inches (4115 mm).

**503.2.2** Authority. The fire code official shall have the authority to require an increase in the minimum access widths where they are inadequate for fire or rescue operations.

**503.2.3 Surface.** Fire apparatus access roads shall be designed and maintained to support the imposed loads of fire apparatus and shall be surfaced so as to provide all weather driving capabilities.

**503.2.4 Turning radius.** The required inside turning radius of a fire apparatus access road shall be a minimum of 25 feet (7620 mm).

**503.2.5 Dead ends.** Dead-end fire apparatus access roads in excess of 150 feet (45 720 mm) in length shall be provided with an approved area for turning around fire apparatus.

**503.4 Obstruction of fire apparatus access roads.** Fire apparatus access roads shall not be obstructed in any manner, including the parking of vehicles. The minimum widths and clearances established in Section 503.2.1 shall be maintained at all times.

**1903.3 Waste removal.** Sawmills, planning mills and other woodworking plants shall be equipped with a waste removal system that will collect and remove sawdust and shavings. Such systems shall be installed in accordance with Chapter 13 and the mechanical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

Exception: Manual waste removal when approved.

**1903.3.1 Housekeeping.** Provisions shall be made for a systematic and thorough cleaning of the entire plant at sufficient intervals to prevent the accumulations of combustible dust and spilled combustible or flammable liquids.

**1903.3.2 Metal scrap.** Provision shall be made for separately collecting and disposing of any metal scrap so that such scrap will not enter the wood handling or processing equipment.

1906.1 General. Log storage areas shall comply with this section.

**1906.2 Cold decks.** Cold decks shall not exceed 500 feet (152.4 m) in length, 300 feet (91 440 mm) in width and 20 feet (6096 mm) in height. Cold decks shall be separated from adjacent cold decks or other exposures by a minimum of 100 feet (30 480 mm).

**Exception:** The size of cold decks shall be determined by the fire code official where the decks are protected by special fire protection including, but not limited to, additional fire flow, portable turrets and deluge sets, and hydrant hose houses equipped with approved fire-fighting equipment capable of reaching the entire storage area in accordance with Chapter 9.

1906.3 End stops. Log and pole piles shall be stabilized by approved means.

**1907.1 General.** The storage of wood chips and hogged materials associated with timber and lumber production facilities shall comply with this section.

**1907.2 Size of piles.** Piles shall not exceed 60 feet (18 288 mm) in height, 300 feet (91 440 mm) in width and 500 feet (152 m) in length. Piles shall be separated from adjacent piles or other exposures by approved fire apparatus access roads.

**Exception:** The fire code official is authorized to allow the pile size to be increased when additional fire protection is provided in accordance with Chapter 9. The increase shall be based on the capabilities of the system installed.

**1907.3 Pile fire protection.** Automatic sprinkler protection shall be provided in conveyor tunnels and combustible enclosures that pass under a pile. Combustible or enclosed conveyor systems shall be equipped with an approved automatic sprinkler system.

**1907.4 Material-handling equipment.** Approved material-handling equipment shall be readily available for moving wood chips and hogged material.

**1907.5 Emergency plan.** The owner or operator shall develop a plan for monitoring, controlling and extinguishing spot fires. The plan shall be submitted to the fire code official for review and approval.

**1908.1 General.** The storage and processing of wood chips, hogged materials, fines, compost and raw product produced from yard waste, debris and recycling facilities shall comply with this section.

**1908.2 Storage site.** Storage sites shall be level and on solid ground or other all-weather surface. Sites shall be thoroughly cleaned before transferring wood products to the site.

**1908.3 Size of piles.** Piles shall not exceed 25 feet (7620 mm) in height, 150 feet (45 720 mm) in width and 250 feet (76 200 mm) in length.

**Exception:** The fire code official is authorized to allow the pile size to be increased when additional fire protection is provided in accordance with Chapter 9. The increase shall be based upon the capabilities of the system installed.

**1908.4 Pile separation.** Piles shall be separated from adjacent piles by approved fire apparatus access roads.

**1908.5 Combustible waste.** The storage, accumulation and handling of combustible materials and control of vegetation shall comply with Chapter 3.

**1908.6 Static pile protection.** Static piles shall be monitored by an approved means to measure temperatures within the static piles. Internal pile temperatures shall be monitored and recorded weekly. Records shall be kept on file at the facility and made available for inspection. An operational plan

indicating procedures and schedules for the inspection, monitoring and restricting of excessive internal temperatures in static piles shall be submitted to the fire code official for review and approval.

**1908.7** Pile fire protection. Automatic sprinkler protection shall be provided in conveyor tunnels and combustible enclosures that pass under a pile. Combustible conveyor systems and enclosed conveyor systems shall be equipped with an approved automatic sprinkler system.

**1908.8 Fire extinguishers.** Portable fire extinguishers complying with Section 906 and with a minimum rating of 4-A: 60-B: C shall be provided on all vehicles and equipment operating on piles and at all processing equipment.

**1908.9 Material-handling equipment.** Approved material- handling equipment shall be available for moving wood chips, hogged material, wood fines and raw product during fire-fighting operations.

**1908.10 Emergency plan.** The owner or operator shall develop a plan for monitoring, controlling and extinguishing spot fires and submit the plan to the fire code official for review and approval.

**2504.1 Open burning.** Open burning is prohibited in tire storage yards.

2504.2 Sources of heat. Cutting, welding or heating devices shall not be operated in tire storage yards.

**2504.3 Smoking prohibited.** Smoking is prohibited in tire storage yards, except in designated areas.

**2504.4 Power lines.** Tire storage piles shall not be located beneath electrical power lines having a voltage in excess of 750 volts or that supply power to fire emergency systems.

**2504.5 Fire safety plan.** The owner or individual in charge of the tire storage yard shall be required to prepare and submit to the fire code official a fire safety plan for review and approval. The fire safety plan shall include provisions for fire department vehicle access. At least one copy of the fire safety plan shall be prominently posted and maintained at the storage yard.

**2504.6 Telephone number.** The telephone number of the fire department and location of the nearest telephone shall be posted conspicuously in attended locations.

**2505.1 Individual piles.** Tire storage shall be restricted to individual piles not exceeding 5,000 square feet (464.5 m2) of continuous area. Piles shall not exceed 50,000 cubic feet (1416m3) in volume or 10 feet (3048 mm) in height.

**2505.2 Separation of piles.** Individual tire storage piles shall be separated from other piles of salvage by a clear space of at least 40 feet (12 192 mm).

**2505.3 Distance between piles of other stored products.** Tire storage piles shall be separated by a clear space of at least 40 feet (12 192 mm) from piles of other stored product.

**2505.4 Distance from lot lines and buildings.** Tire storage piles shall be located at least 50 feet (15 240 mm) from lot lines and buildings.

**2505.5 Fire breaks.** Storage yards shall be maintained free from combustible ground vegetation for a distance of 40 feet (12 192 mm) from the stored material to grass and weeds; and for a distance of 100 feet (30 480 mm) from the stored product to brush and forested areas.

**2505.6 Volume more than 150,000 cubic feet.** Where the bulk volume of stored product is more than 150,000 cubic feet (4248 m3), storage arrangement shall be in accordance with the following:

1. Individual storage piles shall comply with size and separation requirements in Sections 2505.1 through 2505.5.

2. Adjacent storage piles shall be considered a group, and the aggregate volume of storage piles in a group shall not exceed 150,000 cubic feet (4248 m3). Separation between groups shall be at least 75 feet (22 860 m) wide.

**2505.7 Location of storage.** Outdoor waste tire storage shall not be located under bridges, elevated trestles, elevated roadways or elevated railroads.

**2506.1 Required access.** New and existing tire storage yards shall be provided with fire apparatus access roads in accordance with Section 503 and this section.

**2506.2 Location.** Fire apparatus access roads shall be located within all pile clearances identified in Sections 2505.4 and within all fire breaks required in Section 2505.5. Access roadways shall be within 150 feet (45 720 mm) of any point in the storage yard where storage piles are located, at least 20 feet (6096 mm) from any storage pile.

**2507.1 Where required.** Where the bulk volume of stored material is more than 20,000 cubic feet (566 m3), a firmly anchored fence or other approved method of security that controls unauthorized access to the storage yard shall surround the storage yard.

**2507.2 Construction.** The fence shall be constructed of approved materials and shall be at least 6 feet (1829 mm) high and provided with gates at least 20 feet (6096 mm) wide.

2507.3 Locking. All gates to the storage yard shall be locked when the storage yard is not staffed.

**2507.4 Unobstructed.** Gateways shall be kept clear of obstructions and be fully openable at all times.

**2508.1 Water supply.** A public or private fire protection water supply shall be provided in accordance with Section 508. The water supply shall be arranged such that any part of the storage yard can be reached by using not more than 500 feet (152 m) of hose.

**2508.2 Fire extinguishers.** Buildings or structures shall be provided with portable fire extinguishers in accordance with Section 906. Fuel-fired vehicles operating in the storage yard shall be equipped with a minimum 2-A: 20-B:C rated portable fire extinguisher.

# iii. The storage or discharging of fireworks.

**3301.1.3 Fireworks.** The possession, manufacture, storage, sale, handling and use of fireworks are prohibited.

# **Exceptions:**

1. Storage and handling of fireworks as allowed in Section 3304.

2. Manufacture, assembly and testing of fireworks as allowed in Section 3305.

3. The use of fireworks for display as allowed in Section 3308.

4. The possession, storage, sale, handling and use of specific types of Division 1.4G fireworks where allowed by applicable laws, ordinances and regulations, provided such fireworks comply with, CPSC 16 CFR, Parts 1500 and 1507, and DOTn 49 CFR, Parts 100-178, for consumer fireworks.

**3301.2.1 Residential uses.** No person shall keep or store, nor shall any permit be issued to keep or store, any explosives at any place of habitation, or within 100 feet (30 480 mm) thereof.

**Exception:** Storage of smokeless propellant, black powder, and small arms primers for personal use and not for resale in accordance with Section 3306.

**3301.2.2 Sale and retail display.** No person shall construct a retail display nor manufacture, store, offer or expose for sale explosives, explosive materials, or fireworks, except for the approved supervised display of fireworks.

**3301.2.3 Permit restrictions.** The fire code official is authorized to limit the quantity of explosives, explosive materials, or fireworks permitted at a given location. No person, possessing a permit for storage of explosives at any place, shall keep or store an amount greater than authorized in such permit. Only the kind of explosive specified in such a permit shall be kept or stored.

**3301.2.4 Financial responsibility.** Before a permit is issued, as required by N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7, the applicant must comply with Sections 3301.2.4.1 through 3301.2.4.4.

**3301.2.4.1 Blasting.** Any self-employed person in possession of a valid permit to use explosives for blasting purposes, issued by the New Jersey Department of Labor pursuant to N.J.A.C. 12:190-3.11, shall have an insurance coverage for blasting damage of not less than \$500,000 for property damage including explosion, collapse, and underground utility damage and of \$500,000 to \$1,000,000 for personal injury.

 Any person in possession of a valid permit to use explosives for blasting purposes, as outlined above, and who is not self-employed, shall not use explosives unless the employer is insured as specified above.
Proof of the possession of a valid insurance policy covering blasting damage shall be readily available for inspection at the site.

3. Nothing in this section shall be construed as preventing greater insurance coverage for damage from blasting when requested by any person for whom blasting is being performed.

**3301.2.4.2 Fireworks display.** The governing body of the municipality shall require insurance in a sum not less than \$500,000 conditioned for the payment of all damages, which may be caused either to a person or persons or to property, by reason of the display so as aforesaid permitted, and arising from any acts of the permit holder, his agents, employees, or subcontractors. Such surety shall run to the municipality in which the permit is granted, and shall be for the use and benefit of any person, persons, or the owner or owners of any property so damaged, who is or are authorized to maintain an action thereon, or his or their heirs, executors, administrators, successors or assigns.

**3301.2.4.3 Municipal resolution.** The governing body of any municipality may, upon application in writing accompanied by proof of proper insurance coverage, grant permission by resolution, for the public display of fireworks by municipalities, religious, fraternal or civic organizations, fair associations, amusement parks, or other organizations or groups of individuals approved by the governing body of such municipality to whom the application is made. After such permission shall have been granted, and a permit shall have been issued by the fire official, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7, the possession and use of fireworks for such display shall be lawful for that purpose only.

**3301.2.4.4 Application.** Application for permits for display or discharge shall be made in writing at least 15 days in advance of the date of the display or discharge of fireworks. A permit granted hereunder shall not be transferable, nor shall any such permit be extended beyond the dates set out therein. All applications for permits shall set forth the date, the hour, the place of making such display, and the place for storing of fireworks prior to the display. The application shall also contain the names of the person, persons, firm, partnership, corporation, association, or group of individuals making the display, and the name of the person or persons in charge of the igniting, firing, setting-off, exploding or causing to be exploded such fireworks. The location of the storage place shall be subject to the approval of the fire official of the jurisdiction.

**3301.4 Qualifications.** Persons in charge of magazines, blasting, fireworks display, or pyrotechnic special effect operations shall not be under the influence of alcohol or drugs which impair sensory or motor

skills, shall be at least 21 years of age, and shall demonstrate knowledge of all safety precautions related to the storage, handling or use of explosives, explosive materials or fireworks.

**3301.5 Supervision.** The fire code official is authorized to require operations permitted under the provisions of Section 3301.2 to be supervised at any time by the fire code official in order to determine compliance with all safety and fire regulations.

**3301.6 Notification.** Whenever a new explosive material storage or manufacturing site is established, including a temporary job site, the local law enforcement agency, fire department, and local emergency planning committee shall be notified 48 hours in advance, not including Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, of the type, quantity and location of explosive materials at the site.

**3301.7 Seizure.** The fire code official is authorized to remove or cause to be removed or disposed of in an approved manner, at the expense of the owner, explosives, explosive materials or fireworks offered or exposed for sale, stored, possessed or used in violation of this chapter.

# DEFINITIONS

**BLASTER.** A person qualified in accordance with Section 3301.4 to be in charge of and responsible for the loading and firing of a blast.

**DISCHARGE SITE.** The immediate area surrounding the fireworks mortars used for an outdoor fireworks display.

**DISPLAY SITE.** The immediate area where a fireworks display is conducted. The display area includes the discharge site, the fallout area, and the required separation distance from the mortars to spectator viewing areas. The display area does not include spectator viewing areas or vehicle parking areas.

**EXPLOSIVE.** A chemical compound, mixture or device, the primary or common purpose of which is to function by explosion. The term includes, but is not limited to, dynamite, black powder, pellet powder, initiating explosives, detonators, safety fuses, squibs, detonating cord, igniter cord, igniters and display fireworks, 1.3G (Class B, Special). The term "explosive" includes any material determined to be within the scope of USC Title 18: Chapter 40 and also includes any material classified as an explosive other than consumer fireworks, 1.4G (Class C, Common) by the hazardous materials regulations of DOTn 49 CFR.

**FALLOUTAREA.** The area over which aerial shells are fired. The shells burst over the area, and unsafe debris and malfunctioning aerial shells fall into this area. The fallout area is the location where a typical aerial shell dud falls to the ground depending on the wind and the angle of mortar placement.

**FIREWORKS.** Any composition or device for the purpose of producing a visible or an audible effect for entertainment purposes by combustion, deflagration or detonation that meets the definition of 1.4G fireworks or 1.3G fireworks as set forth herein.

**Fireworks, 1.4G.** (Formerly known as Class C, Common Fireworks.) Small fireworks devices containing restricted amounts of pyrotechnic composition designed primarily to produce visible or audible effects by combustion. Such 1.4G fireworks which comply with the construction, chemical composition and labeling regulations of the DOTn for Fireworks, UN 0336, and the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission as set forth in CPSC 16 CFR: Parts 1500 and 1507, are not explosive materials for the purpose of this code.

**Fireworks, 1.3G.** (Formerly Class B, Special Fireworks.) Large fireworks devices, which are explosive materials, intended for use in fireworks displays and designed to produce audible or visible effects by combustion, deflagration or detonation. Such 1.3G fireworks include, but are not limited to, firecrackers containing more than 130 milligrams (2 grains) of explosive composition, aerial shells containing more than 40 grams of pyrotechnic composition, and other display pieces which exceed the limits for classification as 1.4G fireworks. Such 1.3G fireworks, are also described as Fireworks, UN0335 by the DOTn.

FIREWORKS DISPLAY. A presentation of fireworks for a public or private gathering.

MORTAR. A tube from which fireworks shells are fired into the air.

PROXIMATE AUDIENCE. An audience closer to pyrotechnic devices than allowed by NFPA 1123

**PYROTECHNIC COMPOSITION.** A chemical mixture that produces visible light displays or sounds through a self-propagating, heat-releasing chemical reaction which is initiated by ignition.

**PYROTECHNIC SPECIAL EFFECT.** A visible or audible effect for entertainment created through the use of pyrotechnic materials and devices.

**PYROTECHNIC SPECIAL-EFFECT MATERIAL.** A chemical mixture used in the entertainment industry, to produce visible or audible effects by combustion, deflagration or detonation. Such a chemical mixture predominantly consists of solids capable of producing a controlled, self-sustaining and self-contained exothermic chemical reaction that results in heat, gas sound, light or a combination of these effects. The chemical reaction functions without external oxygen.

**READY BOX.** A weather-resistant container with a self-closing or automatic-closing cover that protects fireworks shells from burning debris. Tarpaulins shall not be considered as ready boxes.

#### **EXPLOSIVE MATERIALS STORAGE AND HANDLING**

**3304.1 General.** Storage of explosives and explosive materials, small arms ammunition, small arms primers, propellant- actuated cartridges and smokeless propellants in magazines, shall comply with the provisions of this section.

**3304.2 Magazine required.** Explosives and explosive materials, and Division 1.3G fireworks shall be stored in magazines constructed, located, operated and maintained in accordance with the provisions of Section 3304 and NFPA 495 or NFPA 1124.

# **Exceptions:**

Storage of fireworks at display sites in accordance with Section 3308.5 andNFPA1123 orNFPA1126.
Portable or mobile magazines not exceeding 120 square feet (11 m2) in area shall not be required to comply with the requirements of the building sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**3304.3 Magazines.** The storage of explosives and explosive materials in magazines shall comply with Table 3304.3.

**3304.3.1 High explosives.** Explosive materials classified as Division 1.1 or 1.2 or formerly classified as Class A by the U.S. Department of Transportation shall be stored in Type 1, 2 or 3 magazines.

# **Exceptions:**

1. Black powder shall be stored in a Type 1, 2, 3 or 4 magazine.

2. Cap-sensitive explosive material that is demonstrated not to be bullet sensitive, shall be stored in a Type 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 magazine.

**3304.3.2** Low explosives. Explosive materials that are not cap sensitive shall be stored in a Type 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 magazine.

**3304.3.3 Detonating cord.** For quantity and distance purposes, detonating cord of 50 grains per foot shall be calculated as equivalent to 8 pounds (4 kg) of high explosives per 1,000 feet (305 m). Heavier or lighter core loads shall be rated proportionally.

**3304.4 Prohibited storage.** Detonators shall be stored in a separate magazine for blasting supplies and shall not be stored in a magazine with other explosive materials.

**3304.5 Location.** The use of magazines for storage of explosives and explosive materials shall comply with Sections 3304.5.1 through 3304.5.3.3.

**3304.5.1 Indoor magazines.** The use of indoor magazines for storage of explosives and explosive materials shall comply with the requirements of this section.

**3304.5.1.1 Use.** The use of indoor magazines for storage of explosives and explosive materials shall be limited to occupancies of Group F, H, M or S, and research and development laboratories.

**3304.5.1.2 Construction.** Indoor magazines shall comply with the following construction requirements:

1. Construction shall be fire resistant and theft resistant.

2. Exterior shall be painted red.

3. Base shall be fitted with wheels, casters or rollers to facilitate removal from the building in an emergency.

4. Lid or door shall be marked with conspicuous white lettering not less than 3 inches (76 mm) high and minimum 1/2 inch (12.7 mm) stroke, reading **EXPLOSIVES** — **KEEP FIRE AWAY**.

5. The least horizontal dimension shall not exceed the clear width of the entrance door.

**3304.5.1.3 Quantity limit.** Not more than 50 pounds (23 kg) of explosives or explosive materials shall be stored within an indoor magazine.

**Exception:** Day boxes used for the storage of in-process material in accordance with Section 3305.6.4.1.

**3304.5.1.4 Prohibited use.** Indoor magazines shall not be used within buildings containing Group R occupancies.

**3304.5.1.5 Location.** Indoor magazines shall be located within 10 feet (3048 mm) of an entrance and only on floors at or having ramp access to the exterior grade level.

**3304.5.1.6 Number.** Not more than two indoor magazines shall be located in the same building. Where two such magazines are located in the same building, one magazine shall be used solely for the storage of not more than 5,000 detonators.

**3304.5.1.7 Separation distance.** When two magazines are located in the same building, they shall be separated by a distance of not less than 10 feet (3048 mm).

**3304.5.2 Outdoor magazines.** All outdoor magazines other than Type 3 shall be located so as to comply with Table 3304.5.2(2) or Table 3304.5.2(3) as set forth in Tables 3301.8.1(1) through 3301.8.1(3). Where a magazine or group of magazines, as described in Section 3304.5.2.2, contains different classes of explosive materials, and Division 1.1 materials are present, the required separations for the magazine or magazine group as a whole shall comply with Table 3304.5.2(2).

**3304.5.2.1 Separation.** Where two or more storage magazines are located on the same property, each magazine shall comply with the minimum distances specified from inhabited buildings, public transportation routes and operating buildings. Magazines shall be separated from each other by not less than the inter-magazine distances (IMD) shown for the separation of magazines.

**3304.5.2.2 Grouped magazines.** Where two or more magazines are separated from each other by less than the inter-magazine distances (IMD), such magazines as a group shall be considered as one magazine and the total quantity of explosive materials stored in the group shall be treated as if stored in

a single magazine. The location of the group of magazines shall comply with the inter-magazine distances (IMD) specified from other magazines or magazine groups, inhabited buildings (IBD), public transportation routes (PTR) and operating buildings (ILD or IPD) as required.

**3304.5.3 Special requirements for Type 3 magazines.** Type 3 magazines shall comply with Sections 3304.5.3.1 through 3304.5.3.3.

**3304.5.3.1 Location.** Wherever practicable, Type 3 magazines shall be located away from neighboring inhabited buildings, railways, highways, and other magazines in accordance with Table 3304.5.2(2) or 3304.5.2(3) as applicable.

**3304.5.3.2 Supervision.** Type 3 magazines shall be attended when explosive materials are stored within. Explosive materials shall be removed to appropriate storage magazines for unattended storage at the end of the work day.

**3304.5.3.3 Use.** Not more than two Type 3 magazines shall be located at the same blasting site. Where two Type 3 magazines are located at the same blasting site, one magazine shall used solely for the storage of detonators.

**3304.6 Construction.** Magazines shall be constructed in accordance with Sections 3304.6.1 through 3304.6.5.2.

**3304.6.1 Drainage.** The ground around a magazine shall be graded so that water drains away from the magazine.

**3304.6.2 Heating.** Magazines requiring heat shall be heated as prescribed in NFPA 495 by either hot water radiant heating within the magazine or by indirect warm air heating.

**3304.6.3 Lighting.** When lighting is necessary within a magazine, electric safety flashlights or electric safety lanterns shall be used, except as provided in NFPA 495.

**3304.6.4** Non-sparking materials. In other than Type 5 magazines, there shall be no exposed ferrous metal on the interior of a magazine containing packages of explosives.

**3304.6.5 Signs and placards.** Property upon which Type 1 magazines and outdoor magazines of Types 2, 4 and 5 are located shall be posted with signs stating: **EXPLOSIVES—KEEP OFF**. These signs shall be of contrasting colors with a minimum letter height of 3 inches (76 mm) with a minimum brush stroke of 0.5 inch (12.7 mm). The signs shall be located to minimize the possibility of a bullet shot at the sign hitting the magazine.

**3304.6.5.1** Access road signs. At the entrance to explosive material manufacturing and storage sites, all access roads shall be posted with the following warning sign or other approved sign:

# DANGER! NEVER FIGHT EXPLOSIVE FIRES. EXPLOSIVES ARE STORED ON THIS SITE

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The sign shall be weather resistant with a reflective surface and have lettering at least 2 inches (51 mm)high.

**3304.6.5.2 Placards.** Type 5 magazines containing Division 1.5 blasting agents shall be prominently placarded as required during transportation by DOTn 49 CFR, Part 172 and DOTy 27 CFR, Part 55.

**3304.7 Operation.** Magazines shall be operated in accordance with Sections 3304.7.1 through 3304.7.9.

**3304.7.1 Security.** Magazines shall be kept locked in the manner prescribed in NFPA 495 at all times except during placement or removal of explosives or inspection.

**3304.7.2 Open flames and lights.** Smoking, matches, flame-producing devices, open flames, firearms and firearms cartridges shall not be allowed inside of or within 50 feet (15 240 mm) of magazines.

**3304.7.3 Brush.** The area located around a magazine shall be kept clear of brush, dried grass, leaves, trash, debris, and similar combustible materials for a distance of 25 feet (7620 mm).

**3304.7.4 Combustible storage.** Combustible materials shall not be stored within 50 feet (15 240 mm)of magazines.

**3304.7.5 Unpacking and repacking explosive materials.** Containers of explosive materials, except fiberboard containers, and packages of damaged or deteriorated explosive materials or fireworks shall not be unpacked or repacked inside or within 50 feet (15 240 mm) of a magazine or in close proximity to other explosive materials.

**3304.7.5.1 Storage of opened packages.** Packages of explosive materials that have been opened shall be closed before being placed in a magazine.

**3304.7.5.2** Non-sparking tools. Tools used for the opening and closing of packages of explosive materials, other than metal slitters for opening paper, plastic or fiberboard containers, shall be made of non-sparking materials.

**3304.7.5.3** Disposal of packaging. Empty containers and paper and fiber packaging materials that previously contained explosive materials shall be disposed of or reused in a approved manner.

**3304.7.6 Tools and equipment.** Metal tools, other than nonferrous transfer conveyors and ferrous metal conveyor stands protected by a coat of paint, shall not be stored in a magazine containing explosive materials or detonators.

**3304.7.7 Contents.** Magazines shall be used exclusively for the storage of explosive materials, blasting materials and blasting accessories.

**3304.7.8 Compatibility.** Corresponding grades and brands of explosive materials shall be stored together and in such a manner that the grade and brand marks are visible. Stocks shall be stored so as to be easily counted and checked. Packages of explosive materials shall be stacked in a stable manner not exceeding 8 feet (2438 mm) in height.

**3304.7.9 Stock rotation.** When explosive material is removed from a magazine for use, the oldest usable stocks shall be removed first.

**3304.8** Maintenance. Maintenance of magazines shall comply with Sections 3304.8.1 through 3304.8.3.

**3304.8.1 Housekeeping.** Magazine floors shall be regularly swept and be kept clean, dry and free of grit, paper, empty packages and rubbish. Brooms and other cleaning utensils shall not have any spark-producing metal parts. Sweepings from magazine floors shall be disposed of in accordance with the manufacturers' approved instructions.

**3304.8.2 Repairs.** Explosive materials shall be removed from the magazine before making repairs to the interior of a magazine. Explosive materials shall be removed from the magazine before making repairs to the exterior of the magazine where there is a possibility of causing a fire. Explosive materials removed from a magazine under repair shall either be placed in another magazine or placed a safe distance from the magazine, where they shall be properly guarded and protected until repairs have been completed. Upon completion of repairs, the explosive materials shall be promptly returned to the magazine. Floors shall be cleaned before and after repairs.

**3304.8.3 Floors.** Magazine floors stained with liquid shall be dealt with according to instructions obtained from the manufacturer of the explosive material stored in the magazine.

**3304.9 Inspection.** Magazines containing explosive materials shall be opened and inspected at maximum seven-day intervals. The inspection shall determine whether there has been an unauthorized or attempted entry into a magazine or an unauthorized removal of a magazine or its contents.

**3304.10** Disposal of explosive materials. Explosive materials shall be disposed of in accordance with Sections 3304.10.1 through 3304.10.7.

**3304.10.1** Notification. The fire code official shall be notified immediately when deteriorated or leaking explosive materials are determined to be dangerous or unstable and in need of disposal.

**3304.10.2** Deteriorated materials. When an explosive material has deteriorated to an extent that it is in an unstable or dangerous condition, or when a liquid has leaked from an explosive material, the person

in possession of such material shall immediately contact the material's manufacturer to obtain disposal and handling instructions.

**3304.10.3 Qualified person.** The work of destroying explosive materials shall be directed by persons experienced in the destruction of explosive materials.

**3304.10.4 Storage of misfires.** Explosive materials and fireworks recovered from blasting or display misfires shall be placed in a magazine until an experienced person has determined the proper method for disposal.

**3304.10.5 Disposal sites.** Sites for the destruction of explosive materials and fireworks shall be approved and located at the maximum practicable safe distance from inhabited buildings, public highways, operating buildings, and all other exposures to ensure keeping air blast and ground vibration to a minimum. The location of disposal sites shall be no closer to magazines, inhabited buildings, railways, highways and other rights-of-way than is allowed by Tables 3304.5.2(1), 3304.5.2(2) and 3304.5.2(3). When possible, barricades shall be utilized between the destruction site and inhabited buildings. Areas where explosives are detonated or burned shall be posted with adequate warning signs.

**3304.10.6 Reuse of site.** Unless an approved burning site has been thoroughly saturated with water and has passed a safety inspection, 48 hours shall elapse between the completion of a burn and the placement of scrap explosive materials for a subsequent burn.

**3304.10.7 Personnel safeguards.** Once an explosive burn operation has been started, personnel shall relocate to a safe location where adequate protection from air blast and flying debris is provided. Personnel shall not return to the burn area until the person in charge has inspected the burn site and determined that it is safe for personnel to return.

# FIREWORKS DISPLAY

**3308.1 General.** The display of fireworks, including proximate audience displays and pyrotechnic special effects in motion picture, television, theatrical, and group entertainment productions, shall comply with this chapter and NFPA 1123 or NFPA 1126.

**3308.2 Permit application.** Prior to issuing permits for a fireworks display, plans for the display, inspections of the display site and demonstrations of the display operations shall be approved. A plan establishing procedures to follow and actions to be taken in the event that a shell fails to ignite in, or discharge from, a mortar or fails to function over the fallout area or other malfunctions shall be provided to the fire code official.

**3308.2.1 Outdoor displays.** In addition to the requirements of Section 403, permit applications for outdoor fireworks displays using Division 1.3G fireworks shall include a diagram of the location at which the display will be conducted, including the site from which fireworks will be discharged; the location of

buildings, highways, overhead obstructions and utilities; and the lines behind which the audience will be restrained.

**3308.2.2 Proximate audience displays.** Where the separation distances required by Section 3308.4 and NFPA 1123 are unavailable or cannot be secured, only proximate audience displays conducted in accordance with NFPA 1126 shall be allowed. Applications for proximate audience displays shall include plans indicating the required clearances for spectators and combustibles, crowd control measures, smoke control measures, and requirements for standby personnel and equipment when provision of such personnel or equipment is required by the fire code official.

**3308.2.2.1.** The use of what are technically known as fireworks showers, or of any composition containing potassium and sulfur, in theaters or public halls, shall be subject to prior approval by the fire official and the following conditions shall apply:

1. The building was designed and constructed to accommodate such activity in accordance with the *Uniform Construction Code*.

2. Fireworks shall be discharged and operated in accordance with manufacturer's directions and specifications.

3. The owner/operator shall provide a full demonstration to the fire official prior to final operation.

4. Fireworks shall be discharged so as not to endanger the public by escape of any hot particles from the stage area.

5. Afire watch, with proper extinguishing equipment as approved by the fire official shall be maintained during the operation at both sides of the stage area.

**3308.3 Approved displays.** Approved displays shall include only the approved Division 1.3G, Division 1.4G, and Division 1.4S fireworks, shall be handled by an approved competent operator, and the fireworks shall be arranged, located, discharged and fired in a manner that will not pose a hazard to property or endanger any person.

**3308.4 Clearance.** Spectators, spectator parking areas, and dwellings, buildings or structures shall not be located within the display site.

# **Exceptions:**

1. This provision shall not apply to pyrotechnic special effects and displays using Division 1.4G materials before a proximate audience in accordance with NFPA 1126.

2. This provision shall not apply to unoccupied dwellings, buildings and structures with the approval of the building owner and the fire code official.

**3308.5 Storage of fireworks at display site.** The storage of fireworks at the display site shall comply with the requirements of this section and NFPA 1123 or NFPA 1126.

**3308.5.1 Supervision and weather protection.** Beginning as soon as fireworks have been delivered to the display site, they shall not be left unattended.

**3308.5.2 Weather protection.** Fireworks shall be kept dry after delivery to the display site.

**3308.5.3 Inspection.** Shells shall be inspected by the operator or assistants after delivery to the display site. Shells having tears, leaks, broken fuses or signs of having been wet shall be set aside and shall not be fired. Aerial shells shall be checked for proper fit in mortars prior to discharge. Aerial shells that do not fit properly shall not be fired. After the display, damaged, deteriorated or dud shells shall either be returned to the supplier or destroyed in accordance with the supplier's instructions and Section 3304.10.

**Exception:** Minor repairs to fuses shall be allowed. For electrically ignited displays, attachment of electric matches and similar tasks shall be allowed.

**3308.5.4 Sorting and separation.** After delivery to the display site and prior to the display, all shells shall be separated according to size and their designation as salutes.

**Exception:** For electrically fired displays, or displays where all shells are loaded into mortars prior to the show, there is no requirement for separation of shells according to size or their designation as salutes.

**3308.5.5 Ready boxes.** Display fireworks (Division 1.3G) that will be temporarily stored at the site during the fireworks display shall be stored in ready boxes located upwind and at least 25 feet (7620 mm) from the mortar placement and separated according to size and their designation as salutes.

**Exception:** For electrically fired displays, or displays where all shells are loaded into mortars prior to the show, there is no requirement for separation of shells according to size, their designation as salutes, or for the use of ready boxes.

**3308.6 Installation of mortars.** Mortars for firing fireworks shells shall be installed in accordance with NFPA 1123 and shall be positioned so that shells are propelled away from spectators and over the fallout area. Under no circumstances shall mortars be angled toward the spectator viewing area. Prior to placement, mortars shall be inspected for defects, such as dents, bent ends, damaged interiors and damaged plugs. Defective mortars shall not be used.

**3308.7 Handling.** Aerial shells shall be carried to mortars by the shell body. For the purpose of loading mortars, aerial shells shall be held by the thick portion of the fuse and carefully loaded into mortars.

**3308.8 Display supervision.** Whenever in the opinion of the fire code official or the operator a hazardous condition exists, the fireworks display shall be discontinued immediately until such time as the dangerous situation is corrected.

**3308.9 Post-display inspection.** After the display, the firing crew shall conduct an inspection of the fallout area for the purpose of locating unexploded aerial shells or live components. This inspection shall be conducted before public access to the site shall be allowed. Where fireworks are displayed at night and it is not possible to inspect the site thoroughly, the operator or designated assistant shall inspect the entire site at first light. A report identifying any shells that fail to ignite in, or discharge from, a mortar or fail to function over the fallout area or otherwise malfunction shall be filed with the fire code official.

**3308.10 Disposal.** Any shells found during the inspection required in Section 3308.9 shall not be handled until at least 15 minutes have elapsed from the time the shells were fired. The fireworks shall then be doused with water and allowed to remain for at least 5 additional minutes before being placed in a plastic bucket or fiberboard box. The disposal instructions of the manufacturer as provided by the fireworks supplier shall then be followed in disposing of the fireworks in accordance with Section 3304.10.

3308.11. Deleted.

# 6. Type 4 permit:

# <u>i. Storage or use at normal temperature and pressure of more than 2,000 cubic</u> <u>feet of flammable compressed gas or 6,000 cubic feet of nonflammable</u> <u>compressed gas;</u>

# HAZARD COMMUNICATION

**407.1 General.** The provisions of Sections 407.2 through 407.7 shall be applicable where hazardous materials subject to permits under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7 or LHU registration under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.4 are located on the premises or where required by the fire code official.

**407.2 Material Safety Data Sheets.** Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for all hazardous materials shall be readily available on the premises.

**407.3 Identification.** Individual containers of hazardous materials, cartons or packages shall be marked or labeled in accordance with applicable federal regulations. Buildings, rooms and spaces containing hazardous materials shall be identified by hazard warning signs in accordance with Section 2703.5.

**407.4 Training.** Persons responsible for the operation of areas in which hazardous materials are stored, dispensed, handled or used shall be familiar with the chemical nature of the materials and the appropriate mitigating actions necessary in the event of a fire, leak or spill. Responsible persons shall be designated and trained to be liaison personnel for the fire department. These persons shall aid the fire department in preplanning emergency responses and identification of the locations where hazardous materials are located, and shall have access to Material Safety Data Sheets and be knowledgeable in the site emergency response procedures.

**407.5 Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement (HMIS) in accordance with Section 2701.5.2.

**407.6 Hazardous Materials Management Plan.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Management Plan (HMMP) in accordance with Section 2701.5.1. The fire code official is authorized to accept a similar plan required by other regulations.

**407.7 Facility closure plans.** The permit holder or applicant shall submit to the fire code official a facility closure plan in accordance with Section 2701.6.3 to terminate storage, dispensing, handling or use of hazardous materials.

# FLAMMABLE GASES

#### GENERAL

**3501.1 Scope.** The storage and use of flammable gases shall be in accordance with this chapter. Compressed gases shall also comply with Chapter 30 and gaseous hydrogen systems shall also comply with NFPA 55.

# **Exceptions:**

1. Gases used as refrigerants in refrigeration systems (see Section 606).

2. Liquefied petroleum gases and natural gases regulated by Chapter 38.

3. Fuel-gas systems and appliances regulated under the fuel gas sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

4. Hydrogen motor fuel-dispensing stations and repair garages designed and constructed in accordance with Chapter 22.

5. Pyrophoric gases in accordance with Chapter 41.

#### DEFINITIONS

**3502.1 Definitions.** The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this chapter and as used elsewhere in this code, have the meanings shown herein.

**FLAMMABLE GAS.** A material which is a gas at 68°F (20°C) or less at 14.7 pounds per square inch atmosphere (psia) (101 kPa) of pressure [a material that has a boiling point of 68°F (20°C) or less at 14.7 psia (101 kPa)] which:

1. Is ignitable at 14.7 psia (101 kPa) when in a mixture of 13 percent or less by volume with air; or 2. Has a flammable range at 14.7 psia (101 kPa) with air of at least 12 percent, regardless of the lower limit. The limits specified shall be determined at 14.7 psi (101 kPa) of pressure and a temperature of 68°F (20°C) in accordance with ASTM E 681.

**FLAMMABLE LIQUEFIED GAS.** A liquefied compressed gas which, under a charged pressure, is partially liquid at a temperature of 68°F (20°C) and which is flammable.

METAL HYDRIDE. A generic name for compounds composed of metallic element(s) and hydrogen.

**METALHYDRIDE STORAGESYSTEM.** A closed system consisting of a group of components assembled as a package to contain metal-hydrogen compounds for which there exists an equilibrium condition where the hydrogen-absorbing metal alloy(s), hydrogen gas and the metal-hydrogen compound(s) coexist and where only hydrogen gas is released from the system in normal use.

#### **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

**3503.1** Quantities not exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area. The storage and use of flammable gases in amounts not exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Section 2703.1 shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703, 3501 and 3503.

**3503.1.1 Special limitations for indoor storage and use.** Flammable gases shall not be stored or used in Group A, B, E, I or R occupancies.

# **Exceptions:**

 Cylinders not exceeding a capacity of 250 cubic feet (7.08 m3) each at normal temperature and pressure (NTP) used for maintenance purposes, patient care or operation of equipment.
Food service operations in accordance with Section 3803.2.1.7.

**3503.1.1.1 Medical gases.** Medical gas system supply cylinders shall be located in medical gas storage rooms or gas cabinets as set forth in Section 3006.

**3503.1.1.2 Aggregate quantity.** The aggregate quantities of flammable gases used for maintenance purposes and operation of equipment shall not exceed the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Table 2703.1.1(1).

**3503.1.2 Storage containers.** Cylinders and pressure vessels for flammable gases shall be designed, constructed, installed, tested and maintained in accordance with Chapter 30.

**3503.1.3 Emergency shutoff.** Compressed gas systems conveying flammable gases shall be provided with approved manual or automatic emergency shutoff valves that can be activated at each point of use and at each source.

**3503.1.3.1 Shutoff at source.** A manual or automatic fail-safe emergency shutoff valve shall be installed on supply piping at the cylinder or bulk source. Manual or automatic cylinder valves are allowed to be used as the required emergency shutoff valve when the source of supply is limited to un-manifolded cylinder sources.

**3503.1.3.2 Shutoff at point of use.** A manual or automatic emergency shutoff valve shall be installed on the supply piping at the point of use or at a point where the equipment using the gas is connected to the supply system.

**3503.1.4 Ignition source control.** Ignition sources in areas containing flammable gases in storage or in use shall be controlled in accordance with Section 2703.7.

**Exception:** Fuel gas systems connected to building service utilities in accordance with the fuel gas subcode of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**3503.1.4.1 Static-producing equipment.** Static-producing equipment located in flammable gas storage areas shall be grounded.

**3503.1.4.2 Signs.** "No Smoking" signs shall be posted at entrances to rooms and in areas containing flammable gases in accordance with Section 2703.7.1

**3503.1.5 Electrical.** Electrical wiring and equipment shall be installed and maintained in accordance with the electrical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**3503.1.5.1** Bonding of electrically conductive materials and equipment. Exposed noncurrent-carrying metal parts, including metal gas piping systems, that are part of flammable gas supply systems located in a hazardous (electrically classified) location shall be bonded to a grounded conductor in accordance with the provisions of the electrical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**3503.1.5.2 Static-producing equipment.** Static-producing equipment located in flammable gas storage or use areas shall be grounded.

**3503.2** Quantities exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area. The storage and use of flammable gases in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Section 2703.1 shall be in accordance with Chapter 27 and this chapter.

# STORAGE

**3504.1 Indoor storage.** Indoor storage of flammable gases in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Table 2703.1.1(1), shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703 and 2704, and this chapter.

**3504.1.1 Explosion control.** Buildings or portions thereof containing flammable gases shall be provided with explosion control in accordance with Section 911.

**3504.2 Outdoor storage.** Outdoor storage of flammable gases in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Table 2703.1.1(3) shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703 and 2704, and this chapter.

**3504.2.1 Distance limitation to exposures.** Outdoor storage or use of flammable compressed gases shall be located from a lot line, public street, public alley, public way, or building not associated with the manufacture or distribution of such gases in accordance with Table 3504.2.1.

# USE

**3505.1 General.** The use of flammable gases in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Table 2703.1.1(1) or 2703.1.1(3) shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703 and 2705, and this chapter.

# METAL HYDRIDE STORAGE SYSTEMS

**3506.1 General requirements.** The storage and use of metal hydride storage systems shall be in accordance with Sections 3501, 3503, 3504, 3505 and 3506. Those portions of the system that are used as a means to store or supply hydrogen shall also comply with Chapters 27 and 30 as applicable.

**3506.1.1 Classification.** The hazard classification of the metal hydride storage system, as required by Section 2701.2.2, shall be based on the hydrogen stored without regard to the metal hydride content.

**3506.1.2 Listed or approved systems.** Metal hydride storage systems shall be listed or approved for the application and designed in a manner that prevents the addition or removal of the metal hydride by other than the original equipment manufacturer.

**3506.1.3 Containers, design and construction.** Compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Section 3003.2.

**3506.1.4 Service life and inspection of containers.** Metal hydride storage system cylinders, containers or tanks shall be inspected, tested and re-qualified for service at not less than five year intervals.

**3506.1.5 Marking and labeling.** Marking and labeling of cylinders, containers, tanks and systems shall be in accordance with Section 3003.4 and the following:

3506.1.5.1 System marking. Metal hydride storage systems shall be marked with the following:

- 1. Manufacturer's name.
- 2. Service life indicating the last date the system can be used.
- 3. A unique code or serial number specific to the unit.
- 4. System name or product code that identifies the system by the type of chemistry used in the system.
- 5. Emergency contact name, telephone number or other contact information, and
- 6. Limitations on refilling of containers to include rated charging pressure and capacity.

**3506.1.5.2 Valve marking.** Metal hydride storage system valves shall be marked with the following:

- 1. Manufacturer's name.
- 2. Service life indicating the last date the valve can be used, and
- 3. Metal hydride service in which the valve can be used, or a product code that is traceable to this information.

**3506.1.5.3 Pressure relief device marking.** Metal hydride storage system pressure relief devices shall be marked with the following:

1. Manufacturer's name.

2. Metal hydride service in which the device can be used, or a product code that is traceable to this information, and

3. Activation parameters to include temperature, pressure or both.

**3506.1.5.4 Pressure vessel markings.** Cylinders, containers and tanks used in metal hydride storage systems shall be marked with the following:

- 1. Manufacturer's name.
- 2. Design specification to which the vessel was manufactured.
- 3. Authorized body approving the design and initial inspection and test of the vessel.
- 4. Manufacturer's original test date.
- 5. Unique serial number for the vessel.
- 6. Service life identifying the last date the vessel can be used, and

7. System name or product code that identifies the system by the type of chemistry used in the system.

**3506.1.6 Temperature extremes.** Metal hydride storage systems, whether full or partially full, shall not be exposed to artificially created high temperatures exceeding 125°F (52°C) or sub-ambient (low) temperatures unless designed for use under the exposed conditions.

**3506.1.7 Falling objects.** Metal hydride storage systems shall not be placed in areas where they are capable of being damaged by falling objects.

**3506.1.8 Piping systems.** Piping, including tubing, valves, fittings and pressure regulators, serving metal hydride storage systems shall be maintained gas tight to prevent leakage.

**3506.1.8.1 Leaking systems.** Leaking systems shall be removed from service. [H1:4.9]

**3506.1.9 Refilling of containers.** The refilling of listed or approved metal hydride storage systems shall be in accordance with the listing requirements and manufacturers' instructions.

**3506.1.9.1 Industrial trucks.** The refilling of metal hydride storage systems serving powered industrial trucks shall be in accordance with Section 309.

**3506.1.9.2 Hydrogen purity.** The purity of hydrogen used for the purpose of refilling containers shall be in accordance with the listing and the manufacturer's instructions.

**3506.1.10 Electrical.** Electrical components for metal hydride storage systems shall be designed, constructed and installed in accordance with the electrical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

3506.2 Portable containers or systems.

**3506.2.1 Securing containers.** Containers, cylinders and tanks shall be secured in accordance with Section 3003.5.3.

**3506.2.1.1 Use on mobile equipment.** Where a metal hydride storage system is used on mobile equipment the equipment shall be designed to restrain containers, cylinders or tanks from dislodgement, slipping or rotating when the equipment is in motion.

**3506.2.1.2 Motorized equipment.** Metal hydride storage systems used on motorized equipment shall be installed in a manner that protects valves, pressure regulators, fittings and controls against accidental impact.

**3506.2.1.2.1 Protection from damage.** Metal hydride storage systems including cylinders, containers, tanks and fittings shall not extend beyond the platform of the mobile equipment.

**3506.2.2 Valves.** Valves on containers, cylinders and tanks shall remain closed except when containers are connected to closed systems and ready for use.

#### **COMPRESSED GASES**

#### GENERAL

**3001.1 Scope.** Storage, use and handling of compressed gases in compressed gas containers, cylinders, tanks and systems shall comply with this chapter, including those gases regulated elsewhere in this code. Partially full compressed gas containers, cylinders or tanks containing residual gases shall be considered as full for the purposes of the controls required.

# **Exceptions:**

1. Gases used as refrigerants in refrigeration systems (see Section 606).

2. Compressed natural gas (CNG) for use as a vehicular fuel shall comply with Chapter 22, NFPA 52 and the fuel gas sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*. Cutting and welding gases shall also comply with Chapter 26. Cryogenic fluids shall also comply with Chapter 32. Liquefied natural gas for use as a vehicular fuel shall also comply with NFPA 57 and NFPA 59A. Compressed gases classified as hazardous materials shall also comply with Chapter 27 for general requirements and chapters addressing specific hazards, including Chapters 35 (Flammable Gases), 37 (Highly Toxic and Toxic Materials), 40 (Oxidizers) and 41 (Pyrophoric). LP-gas shall also comply with Chapter 38 and the fuel gas sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

#### DEFINITIONS

**3002.1 Definitions.** The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this chapter and as used elsewhere in this code, have the meanings shown herein.

**COMPRESSED GAS.** A material, or mixture of materials which:

1. Is a gas at 68°F (20°C) or less at 14.7 psia (101 kPa) of pressure; and

2. Has a boiling point of 68°F (20°C) or less at 14.7 psia (101 kPa) which is either liquefied, non-liquefied or in solution, except those gases which have no other health or physical-hazard properties are not considered to be compressed until the pressure in the packaging exceeds 41 psia (28 kPa) at 68°F (20°C). The states of a compressed gas are categorized as follows:

1. Non-liquefied compressed gases are gases, other than those in solution, which are in a packaging under the charged pressure and are entirely gaseous at a temperature of 68°F (20°C).

2. Liquefied compressed gases are gases that, in a packaging under the charged pressure, are partially liquid at a temperature of 68°F (20°C).

3. Compressed gases in solution are non-liquefied gases that are dissolved in a solvent.

4. Compressed gas mixtures consist of a mixture of two or more compressed gases contained in a packaging, the hazard properties of which are represented by the properties of the mixture as a whole.

**COMPRESSED GAS CONTAINER.** A pressure vessel designed to hold compressed gases at pressures greater than one atmosphere at 68°F (20°C) and includes cylinders, containers and tanks.

**COMPRESSED GAS SYSTEM.** An assembly of equipment designed to contain, distribute or transport compressed gases. It can consist of a compressed gas container or containers, reactors and appurtenances, including pumps, compressors and connecting piping and tubing.

**NESTING.** A method of securing flat-bottomed compressed gas cylinders upright in a tight mass using a contiguous three-point contact system whereby all cylinders within a group have a minimum of three points of contact with other cylinders, walls or bracing.

#### **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

**3003.1 Containers, cylinders and tanks.** Compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks shall comply with this section. Compressed gas containers, cylinders or tanks that are not designed for refillable use shall not be refilled after use of the original contents.

**3003.2 Design and construction.** Compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks shall be designed, fabricated, tested, marked with the specifications of manufacture and maintained in accordance with regulations of DOTn 49 CFR, Parts 100-178 or the ASME *Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code*, Section VIII.

**3003.3 Pressure relief devices.** Pressure relief devices shall be in accordance with Sections 3003.3.1 through 3003.3.5.

**3003.3.1 Where required.** Pressure relief devices shall be provided to protect containers, cylinders and tanks containing compressed gases from rupture in the event of overpressure.

**Exception:** Cylinders, containers and tanks when exempt from the requirements for pressure relief devices specified by the standards of design listed in Section 3003.3.2.

**3003.3.2 Design.** Pressure relief devices to protect containers shall be designed and provided in accordance with CGA S-1.1, CGA S-1.2, CGA S-1.3 or the ASME *Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code*, Section VIII, as applicable.

**3003.3.3 Sizing.** Pressure relief devices shall be sized in accordance with the specifications to which the container was fabricated and to material specific requirements as applicable.

**3003.3.4 Arrangement.** Pressure relief devices shall be arranged to discharge upward and unobstructed to the open air in such a manner as to prevent any impingement of escaping gas upon the container, adjacent structures or personnel.

Exception: DOTn specification containers having an internal volume of 30 cubic feet (0.855 m3) or less.

**3003.3.5 Freeze protection.** Pressure relief devices or vent piping shall be designed or located so that moisture cannot collect and freeze in a manner that would interfere with the operation of the device.

**3003.4 Marking.** Stationary and portable compressed gas containers, cylinders, tanks and systems shall be marked in accordance with Sections 3003.4.1 through 3003.4.3.

**3003.4.1 Stationary compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks.** Stationary compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks shall be marked with the name of the gas and in accordance with Sections 2703.5 and 2703.6. Markings shall be visible from any direction of approach.

**3003.4.2 Portable containers, cylinders and tanks.** Portable compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks shall be marked in accordance with CGA C-7.

**3003.4.3 Piping systems.** Piping systems shall be marked in accordance with ASME A13.1. Markings used for piping systems shall consist of the content's name and include a direction-of-flow arrow. Markings shall be provided at each valve; at wall, floor or ceiling penetrations; at each change of direction; and at a minimum of every 20 feet (6096 mm) or fraction thereof throughout the piping run.

#### **Exceptions:**

1. Piping that is designed or intended to carry more than one gas at various times shall have appropriate signs or markings posted at the manifold, along the piping and at each point of use to provide clear identification and warning.

2. Piping within gas manufacturing plants, gas processing plants, refineries and similar occupancies shall be marked in an approved manner.

**3003.5 Security.** Compressed gas containers, cylinders, tanks and systems shall be secured against accidental dislodgement and against access by unauthorized personnel in accordance with Sections 3003.5.1 through 3003.5.3.

**3003.5.1 Security of areas.** Areas used for the storage, use and handling of compressed gas containers, cylinders, tanks and systems shall be secured against unauthorized entry and safeguarded in an approved manner.

**3003.5.2** Physical protection. Compressed gas containers, cylinders, tanks and systems which could be exposed to physical damage shall be protected. Guard posts or other approved means shall be provided

to protect compressed gas containers, cylinders, tanks and systems indoors and outdoors from vehicular damage and shall comply with Section 312.

**3003.5.3 Securing compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks.** Compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks shall be secured to prevent falling caused by contact, vibration or seismic activity. Securing of compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks shall be by one of the following methods:

1. Securing containers, cylinders and tanks to a fixed object with one or more restraints.

2. Securing containers, cylinders and tanks on a cart or other mobile device designed for the movement of compressed gas containers, cylinders or tanks.

3. Nesting of compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks at container filling or servicing facilities or in seller's warehouses not accessible to the public. Nesting shall be allowed provided the nested containers, cylinders or tanks, if dislodged, do not obstruct the required means of egress.

4. Securing of compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks to or within a rack, framework, cabinet or similar assembly designed for such use.

**Exception:** Compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks in the process of examination, filling, transport or servicing.

**3003.6 Valve protection.** Compressed gas container, cylinder and tank valves shall be protected from physical damage by means of protective caps, collars or similar devices in accordance with Sections 3003.6.1 and 3003.6.2.

**3003.6.1 Compressed gas container, cylinder or tank protective caps or collars.** Compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks designed for protective caps, collars or other protective devices shall have the caps or devices in place except when the containers, cylinders or tanks are in use or are being serviced or filled.

**3003.6.2 Caps and plugs.** Compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks designed for valve protection caps or other protective devices shall have the caps or devices attached. When outlet caps or plugs are installed, they shall be in place.

**Exception:** Compressed gas containers, cylinders or tanks in use, being serviced or being filled.

**3003.7 Separation from hazardous conditions.** Compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks and systems in storage or use shall be separated from materials and conditions which pose exposure hazards to or from each other. Compressed gas containers, cylinders, tanks and systems in storage or use shall be separated in accordance with Sections 3003.7.1 through 3003.7.10.

**3003.7.1 Incompatible materials.** Compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks shall be separated from each other based on the hazard class of their contents. Compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks shall be separated from incompatible materials in accordance with Section 2703.9.8.

**3003.7.2 Combustible waste, vegetation and similar materials.** Combustible waste, vegetation and similar materials shall be kept a minimum of 10 feet (3048 mm) from compressed gas containers, cylinders, tanks and systems. A noncombustible partition, without openings or penetrations and extending not less than 18 inches (457 mm) above and to the sides of the storage area is allowed in lieu of such distance. The wall shall either be an independent structure, or the exterior wall of the building adjacent to the storage area.

**3003.7.3 Ledges, platforms and elevators.** Compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks shall not be placed near elevators, unprotected platform ledges or other areas where falling would result in compressed gas containers, cylinders or tanks being allowed to drop distances exceeding one-half the height of the container, cylinder or tank.

**3003.7.4 Temperature extremes.** Compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks, whether full or partially full, shall not be exposed to artificially created high temperatures exceeding 125°F (52°C) or sub-ambient (low) temperatures unless designed for use under the exposed conditions.

**3003.7.5 Falling objects.** Compressed gas containers, cylinders, tanks and systems shall not be placed in areas where they are capable of being damaged by falling objects.

**3003.7.6 Heating.** Compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks, whether full or partially full, shall not be heated by devices which could raise the surface temperature of the container, cylinder or tank to above 125°F (52°C). Heating devices shall comply with the mechanical and the electrical sub-codes of the *Uniform Construction Code*. Approved heating methods involving temperatures of less than 125°F (52°C) are allowed to be used by trained personnel. Devices designed to maintain individual compressed gas containers, cylinders or tanks at constant temperature shall be approved and shall be designed to be fail safe.

**3003.7.7 Sources of ignition.** Open flames and high-temperature devices shall not be used in a manner which creates a hazardous condition.

**3003.7.8 Exposure to chemicals.** Compressed gas containers, cylinders, tanks and systems shall not be exposed to corrosive chemicals or fumes which could damage containers, cylinders, tanks, valves or valve-protective caps.

**3003.7.9 Exhausted enclosures.** When exhausted enclosures are provided as a means to segregate compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks from exposure hazards, such enclosures shall comply with the requirements of Section 2703.8.5.

**3003.7.10 Gas cabinets.** When gas cabinets are provided as a means to separate compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks from exposure hazards, such gas cabinets shall comply with the requirements of Section 2703.8.6.

**3003.8 Wiring and equipment.** Electrical wiring and equipment shall comply with the electrical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*. Compressed gas containers, cylinders, tanks and systems shall not be located where they could become part of an electrical circuit. Compressed gas containers, cylinders, tanks and systems shall not be used for electrical grounding.

**3003.9 Service and repair.** Service, repair, modification or removal of valves, pressure-relief devices or other compressed gas container, cylinder or tank appurtenances shall be performed by trained personnel.

**3003.10 Unauthorized use.** Compressed gas containers, cylinders, tanks and systems shall not be used for any purpose other than to serve as a vessel for containing the product which it is designed to contain.

**3003.11 Exposure to fire.** Compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks which have been exposed to fire shall be removed from service. Containers, cylinders and tanks so removed shall be handled by approved qualified persons.

**3003.12 Leaks, damage or corrosion.** Leaking, damaged or corroded compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks shall be removed from service. Leaking, damaged or corroded compressed gas systems shall be replaced or repaired in accordance with the following:

1. Compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks which have been removed from service shall be handled in an approved manner.

2. Compressed gas systems which are determined to be leaking, damaged or corroded shall be repaired to a serviceable condition or removed from service.

**3003.13 Surface of unprotected storage or use areas.** Unless otherwise specified in Section 3003.14, compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks are allowed to be stored or used without being placed under overhead cover. To prevent bottom corrosion, containers, cylinders and tanks shall be protected from direct contact with soil or unimproved surfaces. The surface of the area on which the containers are placed shall be graded to prevent accumulation of water.

**3003.14 Overhead cover.** Compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks are allowed to be stored or used in the sun except in locations where extreme temperatures prevail. When extreme temperatures prevail, overhead covers shall be provided.

**3003.15 Lighting.** Approved lighting by natural or artificial means shall be provided.

**3003.16 Vaults.** Generation, compression, storage and dispensing equipment for compressed gases shall be allowed to be located in either above- or below-grade vaults complying with Sections 3003.16.1 through 3003.16.14.

**3003.16.1 Listing required.** Vaults shall be listed by a nationally recognized testing laboratory.

**Exception:** Where approved by the fire code official, below-grade vaults are allowed to be constructed on site, provided that the design is in accordance with the building sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code* and that special inspections are conducted to verify structural strength and compliance of the installation with the approved design in accordance with the building sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*. Installation plans for below-grade vaults that are constructed on site shall be prepared by, and the design shall bear the stamp of, a professional engineer. Consideration shall be given to soil and hydrostatic loading on the floors, walls and lid; anticipated seismic forces; uplifting by ground water or flooding; and to loads imposed from above, such as traffic and equipment loading on the vault lid.

**3003.16.2 Design and construction.** The vault shall completely enclose generation, compression, storage or dispensing equipment located in the vault. There shall be no openings in the vault enclosure except those necessary for vault ventilation and access, inspection, filling, emptying or venting of equipment in the vault. The walls and floor of the vault shall be constructed of reinforced concrete at least 6 inches (152 mm) thick. The top of an above-grade vault shall be constructed of noncombustible material and shall be designed to be weaker than the walls of the vault to ensure that the thrust of any explosion occurring inside the vault is directed upward. The top of an at- or below-grade vault shall be designed to relieve safely or contain the force of an explosion occurring inside the vault. The top and floor of the vault and the tank foundation shall be designed to withstand the anticipated loading, including loading from vehicular traffic, where applicable. The walls and floor of a vault installed below grade shall be designed to withstand anticipated soil and hydrostatic loading. Vaults shall be designed to be wind and earthquake resistant, in accordance with the building sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**3003.16.3 Secondary containment.** Vaults shall be substantially liquid tight and there shall be no backfill within the vault. The vault floor shall drain to a sump. For pre-manufactured vaults, liquid tightness shall be certified as part of the listing provided by a nationally recognized testing laboratory. For field-erected vaults, liquid tightness shall be certified in an approved manner.

**3003.16.4 Internal clearance.** There shall be sufficient clearance within the vault to allow for visual inspection and maintenance of equipment in the vault.

**3003.16.5 Anchoring.** Vaults and equipment contained therein shall be suitably anchored to withstand uplifting by groundwater or flooding. The design shall verify that uplifting is prevented even when equipment within the vault is empty.

**3003.16.6 Vehicle impact protection.** Vaults shall be resistant to damage from the impact of a motor vehicle, or vehicle impact protection shall be provided in accordance with Section 312.

**3003.16.7 Arrangement.** Equipment in vaults shall be listed or approved for above-ground use. Where multiple vaults are provided, adjacent vaults shall be allowed to share a common wall. The common wall shall be liquid and vapor tight and shall be designed to withstand the load imposed when the vault on either side of the wall is filled with water.

**3003.16.8 Connections.** Connections shall be provided to permit the venting of each vault to dilute, disperse and remove vapors prior to personnel entering the vault.

**3003.16.9 Ventilation.** Vaults shall be provided with an exhaust ventilation system installed in accordance with Section 2704.3. The ventilation system shall operate continuously or be designed to operate upon activation of the vapor or liquid detection system. The system shall provide ventilation at a rate of not less than 1 cubic foot per minute (cfm) per square foot of floor area [0.00508 m3/(s  $\cdot$  m2)], but not less than 150 cfm [0.071 m3/(s  $\cdot$  m2)]. The exhaust system shall be designed to provide air movement across all parts of the vault floor for gases having a density greater than air and across all parts of the vault ceiling for gases having a density less than air. Supply ducts shall extend to within 3 inches (76 mm), but not more than 12 inches (305 mm), of the floor. Exhaust ducts shall extend to within 3 inches (76 mm), but not more than 12 inches (305 mm) of the floor or ceiling, for heavier-thanair or lighter-thanair gases, respectively. The exhaust system shall be installed in accordance with the mechanical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**3003.16.10** Monitoring and detection. Vaults shall be provided with approved vapor and liquid detection systems and equipped with on-site audible and visual warning devices with battery backup. Vapor detection systems shall sound an alarm when the system detects vapors that reach or exceed 25 percent of the lower explosive limit (LEL) or one-half the immediately dangerous to life and health (IDLH) concentration for the gas in the vault. Vapor detectors shall be located no higher than 12 inches (305 mm) above the lowest point in the vault for heavier-than-air gases and no lower than 12 inches (305 mm) below the highest point in the vault for lighter-than-air gases. Liquid detection systems shall sound an alarm upon detection of any liquid, including water. Liquid detectors shall be located in accordance with the manufacturers' instructions. Activation of either vapor or liquid detection systems shall cause a signal to be sounded at an approved, constantly attended location within the facility served by the tanks or at an approved location. Activation of vapor detection systems shall also shut off gashandling equipment in the vault and dispensers.

**3003.16.11 Liquid removal.** Means shall be provided to recover liquid from the vault. Where a pump is used to meet this requirement, it shall not be permanently installed in the vault. Electric-powered portable pumps shall be suitable for use in Class I, Division 1 locations, as defined in the electrical subcode of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**3003.16.12 Relief vents.** Vent pipes for equipment in the vault shall terminate at least 12 feet (3658 mm) above ground level.

**3003.16.13** Access-way. Vaults shall be provided with an approved personnel access-way with a minimum dimension of 30 inches (762 mm) and with a permanently affixed, nonferrous ladder. Access-ways shall be designed to be non-sparking. Travel distance from any point inside a vault to an access-way shall not exceed 20 feet (6096 mm). At each entry point, a warning sign indicating the need for procedures for safe entry into confined spaces shall be posted. Entry points shall be secured against unauthorized entry and vandalism.

**3003.16.14 Classified area.** The interior of a vault containing a flammable gas shall be designated a Class I, Division 1 location, as defined in the electrical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

# STORAGE OF COMPRESSED GASES

**3004.1 Upright storage.** Compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks, except those designed for use in a horizontal position, and all compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks containing non-liquefied gases, shall be stored in an upright position with the valve end up. An upright position shall include conditions where the container, cylinder or tank axis is inclined as much as 45 degrees (0.80 rad) from the vertical.

# **Exceptions:**

1. Compressed gas containers with a water volume less than 1.3 gallons (5 L) are allowed to be stored in a horizontal position.

2. Cylinders, containers and tanks containing nonflammable gases or cylinders, containers and tanks containing non-liquefied flammable gases, which have been secured to a pallet for transportation purposes.

**3004.2 Material-specific regulations.** In addition to the requirements of this section, indoor and outdoor storage of compressed gases shall comply with the material-specific provisions of Chapters 31, 35 and 37 through 44.

# USE AND HANDLING OF COMPRESSED GASES

**3005.1 Compressed gas systems.** Compressed gas systems shall be suitable for the use intended and shall be designed by persons competent in such design. Compressed gas equipment, machinery and processes shall be listed or approved.

**3005.2 Controls.** Compressed gas system controls shall be designed to prevent materials from entering or leaving process or reaction systems at other than the intended time, rate or path. Automatic controls shall be designed to be fail safe.

**3005.3 Piping systems.** Piping, including tubing, valves, fittings and pressure regulators, shall comply with this section and Chapter 27. Piping, tubing, pressure regulators, valves and other apparatus shall be kept gas tight to prevent leakage.

**3005.4 Valves.** Valves utilized on compressed gas systems shall be suitable for the use intended and shall be accessible. Valve handles or operators for required shutoff valves shall not be removed or otherwise altered to prevent access.

**3005.5 Venting.** Venting of gases shall be directed to an approved location. Venting shall comply with the mechanical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**3005.6 Upright use.** Compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks, except those designed for use in a horizontal position, and all compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks containing non-liquefied gases, shall be used in an upright position with the valve end up. An upright position shall include conditions where the container, cylinder or tank axis is inclined as much as 45 degrees (0.80 rad) from the vertical. Use of nonflammable liquefied gases in the inverted position when the liquid phase is used shall not be prohibited provided that the container, cylinder or tank is properly secured and the dispensing apparatus is designed for liquefied gas use.

**Exception:** Compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks with a water volume less than 1.3 gallons (5 L) are allowed to be used in a horizontal position.

**3005.7 Transfer.** Transfer of gases between containers, cylinders and tanks shall be performed by qualified personnel using equipment and operating procedures in accordance with CGA P-1.

Exception: Fueling of vehicles with compressed natural gas (CNG).

**3005.8 Use of compressed gas for inflation.** Inflatable equipment, devices or balloons shall only be pressurized or filled with compressed air or inert gases.

**3005.9 Material-specific regulations.** In addition to the requirements of this section, indoor and outdoor use of compressed gases shall comply with the material-specific provisions of Chapters 31, 35 and 37 through 44.

**3005.10 Handling.** The handling of compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks shall comply with Sections 3005.10.1 and 3005.10.2.

**3005.10.1 Carts and trucks.** Containers, cylinders and tanks shall be moved using an approved method. Where containers, cylinders or tanks are moved by hand cart, hand truck or other mobile device, such carts, trucks or devices shall be designed for the secure movement of containers, cylinders or tanks. Carts and trucks utilized for transport of compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks within buildings shall comply with Section 2703.10. Carts and trucks utilized for transport of compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks within buildings shall comply with Section 2703.10. cylinders and tanks exterior to buildings shall be designed so that the containers, cylinders and tanks will be secured against dropping or otherwise striking against each other or other surfaces.

**3005.10.2 Lifting devices.** Ropes, chains or slings shall not be used to suspend compressed gas containers, cylinders and tanks unless provisions at time of manufacture have been made on the container, cylinder or tank for appropriate lifting attachments, such as lugs.

**3006.1 General.** Compressed gases at hospitals and similar facilities intended for inhalation or sedation including, but not limited to, analgesia systems for dentistry, podiatry, veterinary and similar uses shall comply with this section in addition to other requirements of this chapter.

**3006.2 Interior supply location.** Medical gases shall be stored in areas dedicated to the storage of such gases without other storage or uses. Where containers of medical gases in quantities greater than the permit amount are located inside buildings, they shall be in a 1-hour exterior room, a 1-hour interior room or a gas cabinet in accordance with Section 3006.2.1, 3006.2.2 or 3006.2.3.

**3006.2.1 One-hour exterior rooms.** A 1-hour exterior room shall be a room or enclosure separated from the remainder of the building by fire barriers with a fire-resistance rating of not less than 1 hour. Openings between the room or enclosure and interior spaces shall be self-closing smoke- and draft-control assemblies having a fire protection rating of not less than 1 hour. Rooms shall have at least one exterior wall that is provided with at least two vents. Each vent shall not be less than 36 square inches (0.023 m2) in area. One vent shall be within 6 inches (152 mm) of the ceiling. Rooms shall be provided with at least one automatic sprinkler to provide container cooling in case of fire.

**3006.2.2 One-hour interior room.** When an exterior wall cannot be provided for the room, automatic sprinklers shall be installed within the room. The room shall be exhausted through a duct to the exterior. Supply and exhaust ducts shall be enclosed in a 1-hour-rated shaft enclosure from the room to the exterior. Approved mechanical ventilation shall comply with the mechanical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**3006.2.3 Gas cabinets.** Gas cabinets shall be constructed in accordance with Section 2703.8.6 and the following:

1. The average velocity of ventilation at the face of access ports or windows shall not be less than 200 feet per minute (61 m/s) with a minimum of 150 feet per minute (46 m/s) at any point of the access port or window.

- 2. Connected to an exhaust system.
- 3. Internally sprinklered.

**3006.3 Exterior supply locations.** Oxidizer medical gas systems located on the exterior of a building with quantities greater than the permit amount shall be located in accordance with Section 4004.2.1.

**3006.4 Medical gas systems.** Medical gas systems including, but not limited to, distribution piping, supply manifolds, connections, pressure regulators and relief devices and valves, shall comply with NFPA 99 and the general provisions of this chapter.

#### COMPRESSED GASES NOT OTHERWISE REGULATED

**3007.1 General.** Compressed gases in storage or use not regulated by the material-specific provisions of Chapters 6, 31, 35 and 37 through 44, including asphyxiant, irritant and radioactive gases, shall comply with this section in addition to other requirements of this chapter.

**3007.2 Ventilation.** Indoor storage and use areas and storage buildings shall be provided with mechanical exhaust ventilation or natural ventilation in accordance with the requirements of Section 2704.3 or 2705.1.9. When mechanical ventilation is provided, the systems shall be operational during such time as the building or space is occupied.

# *ii. The production or sale of cryogenic liquids; the storage or use of more than 10 gallons of liquid oxygen, flammable cryogenic liquids or cryogenic oxidizers; or the storage of more than 500 gallons of nonflammable, non-toxic cryogenic liquids;*

#### HAZARD COMMUNICATION

**407.1 General**. The provisions of Sections 407.2 through 407.7 shall be applicable where hazardous materials subject to permits under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7 or LHU registration under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.4 are located on the premises or where required by the fire code official.

**407.2 Material Safety Data Sheets.** Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for all hazardous materials shall be readily available on the premises.

**407.3 Identification.** Individual containers of hazardous materials, cartons or packages shall be marked or labeled in accordance with applicable federal regulations. Buildings, rooms and spaces containing hazardous materials shall be identified by hazard warning signs in accordance with Section 2703.5.

**407.4 Training.** Persons responsible for the operation of areas in which hazardous materials are stored, dispensed, handled or used shall be familiar with the chemical nature of the materials and the appropriate mitigating actions necessary in the event of a fire, leak or spill. Responsible persons shall be

designated and trained to be liaison personnel for the fire department. These persons shall aid the fire department in preplanning emergency responses and identification of the locations where hazardous materials are located, and shall have access to Material Safety Data Sheets and be knowledgeable in the site emergency response procedures.

**407.5 Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement (HMIS) in accordance with Section 2701.5.2.

**407.6 Hazardous Materials Management Plan.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Management Plan (HMMP) in accordance with Section 2701.5.1. The fire code official is authorized to accept a similar plan required by other regulations.

**407.7 Facility closure plans.** The permit holder or applicant shall submit to the fire code official a facility closure plan in accordance with Section 2701.6.3 to terminate storage, dispensing, handling or use of hazardous materials.

#### GENERAL

**3201.1 Scope.** Storage, use and handling of cryogenic fluids shall comply with this chapter. Cryogenic fluids classified as hazardous materials shall also comply with Chapter 27 for general requirements. Partially full containers containing residual cryogenic fluids shall be considered as full for the purposes of the controls required.

#### **Exceptions:**

1. Fluids used as refrigerants in refrigeration systems (see Section 606).

2. Liquefied natural gas (LNG), which shall comply with NFPA 59A. Oxidizing cryogenic fluids, including oxygen, shall comply with NFPA 55. Flammable cryogenic fluids, including hydrogen, methane and carbon monoxide, shall comply with NFPA 55. Inert cryogenic fluids, including argon, helium and nitrogen, shall comply with CGA P-18.

#### DEFINITIONS

**3202.1 Definitions.** The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this chapter and as used elsewhere in this code, have the meanings shown herein.

**CRYOGENICCONTAINER.** Acryogenic vessel of any size used for the transportation, handling or storage of cryogenic fluids.

**CRYOGENIC FLUID.** A fluid having a boiling point lower than -130°F (-89.9°C) at 14.7 pounds per square inch atmosphere (psia) (an absolute pressure of 101.3 kPa).

**CRYOGENIC VESSEL.** A pressure vessel, low-pressure tank or atmospheric tank designed to contain a cryogenic fluid on which venting, insulation, refrigeration or a combination of these is used in order to maintain the operating pressure within the design pressure and the contents in a liquid phase.

FLAMMABLE CRYOGENIC FLUID. A cryogenic fluid that is flammable in its vapor state.

**LOW-PRESSURE TANK.** A storage tank designed to withstand an internal pressure greater than 0.5 pounds per square inch gauge (psig) (3.4 kPa) but not greater than 15 psig (103.4 kPa).

#### **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

**3203.1 Containers.** Containers employed for storage or use of cryogenic fluids shall comply with Sections 3203.1.1 through 3203.1.3.2 and Chapter 27.

**3203.1.1 Nonstandard containers.** Containers, equipment and devices which are not in compliance with recognized standards for design and construction shall be approved upon presentation of satisfactory evidence that they are designed and constructed for safe operation.

**3203.1.1.1 Data submitted for approval.** The following data shall be submitted to the fire code official with reference to the deviation from the recognized standard with the application for approval.

- 1. Type and use of container, equipment or device.
- 2. Material to be stored, used or transported.
- 3. Description showing dimensions and materials used in construction.
- 4. Design pressure, maximum operating pressure and test pressure.
- 5. Type, size and setting of pressure relief devices.
- 6. Other data requested by the fire code official.

**3203.1.2 Concrete containers.** Barrier materials and membranes used in connection with concrete, but not functioning structurally, shall be compatible with the materials contained.

**3203.1.3 Foundations and supports.** Containers shall be provided with substantial concrete or masonry foundations, or structural steel supports on firm concrete or masonry foundations. Containers shall be supported to prevent the concentration of excessive loads on the supporting portion of the shell. Foundations for horizontal containers shall be constructed to accommodate expansion and contraction of the container. Foundations shall be provided to support the weight of vaporizers or heat exchangers.

**3203.1.3.1 Temperature effects.** When container foundations or supports are subject to exposure to temperatures below -150°F (-101°C), the foundations or supports shall be constructed of materials to withstand the low-temperature effects of cryogenic fluid spillage.

**3203.1.3.2 Corrosion protection.** Portions of containers in contact with foundations or saddles shall be painted to protect against corrosion.

**3203.2 Pressure relief devices.** Pressure relief devices shall be provided in accordance with Sections 3203.2.1 through 3203.2.7 to protect containers and systems containing cryogenic fluids from rupture in the event of overpressure. Pressure relief devices shall be designed in accordance withCGAS-1.1, CGA S-1.2 and CGA S-1.3.

3203.2.1 Containers. Containers shall be provided with pressure relief devices.

**3203.2.2 Vessels or equipment other than containers.** Heat exchangers, vaporizers, insulation casings surrounding containers, vessels and coaxial piping systems in which liquefied cryogenic fluids could be trapped because of leakage from the primary container shall be provided with a pressure relief device.

**3203.2.3 Sizing.** Pressure relief devices shall be sized in accordance with the specifications to which the container was fabricated. The relief device shall have sufficient capacity to prevent the maximum design pressure of the container or system from being exceeded.

**3203.2.4** Accessibility. Pressure relief devices shall be located such that they are provided with ready access for inspection and repair.

**3203.2.5 Arrangement.** Pressure relief devices shall be arranged to discharge unobstructed to the open air in such a manner as to prevent impingement of escaping gas on personnel, containers, equipment and adjacent structures or to enter enclosed spaces.

Exception: DOTn-specified containers with an internal volume of 2 cubic feet (0.057 m3) or less.

**3203.2.6 Shutoffs between pressure relief devices and containers.** Shutoff valves shall not be installed between pressure relief devices and containers.

**Exception:** A shutoff value is allowed on containers equipped with multiple pressure-relief device installations where the arrangement of the values provides the full required flow through the minimum number of required relief devices at all times.

**3203.2.7 Temperature limits.** Pressure relief devices shall not be subjected to cryogenic fluid temperatures except when operating.

**3203.3 Pressure relief vent piping.** Pressure relief vent-piping systems shall be constructed and arranged so as to remain functional and direct the flow of gas to a safe location in accordance with Sections 3203.3.1 and 3203.3.2.

**3203.3.1 Sizing.** Pressure relief device vent piping shall have a cross-sectional area not less than that of the pressure relief device vent opening and shall be arranged so as not to restrict the flow of escaping gas.

**3203.3.2 Arrangement.** Pressure relief device vent piping and drains in vent lines shall be arranged so that escaping gas will discharge unobstructed to the open air and not impinge on personnel, containers, equipment and adjacent structures or enter enclosed spaces. Pressure relief device vent lines shall be installed in such a manner to exclude or remove moisture and condensation and prevent malfunction of the pressure relief device because of freezing or ice accumulation.

**3203.4 Marking.** Cryogenic containers and systems shall be marked in accordance with Sections 3203.4.1 through 3203.4.6.

**3203.4.1 Identification signs.** Visible hazard identification signs in accordance with NFPA 704 shall be provided at entrances to buildings or areas in which cryogenic fluids are stored, handled or used.

**3203.4.2 Identification of contents.** Stationary and portable containers shall be marked with the name of the gas contained. Stationary above-ground containers shall be placarded in accordance with Sections 2703.5 and 2703.6. Portable containers shall be identified in accordance with CGA C-7.

**3203.4.3 Identification of containers.** Stationary containers shall be identified with the manufacturing specification and maximum allowable working pressure with a permanent nameplate. The nameplate shall be installed on the container in an accessible location. The nameplate shall be marked in accordance with the ASME *Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code* or DOTn 49 CFR Part 1.

**3203.4.4 Identification of container connections.** Container inlet and outlet connections, liquid-level limit controls, valves and pressure gauges shall be identified in accordance with one of the following: marked with a permanent tag or label identifying their function, or identified by a schematic drawing which portrays their function and designates whether they are connected to the vapor or liquid space of the container. Where a schematic drawing is provided, it shall be attached to the container and maintained in a legible condition.

**3203.4.5 Identification of piping systems.** Piping systems shall be identified in accordance with ASME A13.1.

**3203.4.6 Identification of emergency shutoff valves.** Emergency shutoff valves shall be identified and the location shall be clearly visible and indicated by means of a sign.

**3203.5 Security.** Cryogenic containers and systems shall be secured against accidental dislodgement and against access by unauthorized personnel in accordance with Sections 3203.5.1 through 3203.5.4.

**3203.5.1 Security of areas.** Containers and systems shall be secured against unauthorized entry and safeguarded in an approved manner.

**3203.5.2 Securing of containers.** Stationary containers shall be secured to foundations in accordance with the building sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*. Portable containers subject to shifting or upset shall be secured. Nesting shall be an acceptable means of securing containers.

**3203.5.3 Securing of vaporizers.** Vaporizers, heat exchangers and similar equipment shall be anchored to a suitable foundation and its connecting piping shall be sufficiently flexible to provide for the effects of expansion and contraction due to temperature changes.

**3203.5.4** Physical protection. Containers, piping, valves, pressure relief devices, regulating equipment and other appurtenances shall be protected against physical damage and tampering.

**3203.6 Separation from hazardous conditions.** Cryogenic containers and systems in storage or use shall be separated from materials and conditions which pose exposure hazards to or from each other in accordance with Sections 3203.6.1 through 3203.6.2.1.

**3203.6.1 Stationary containers.** Stationary containers shall be separated from exposure hazards in accordance with the provisions applicable to the type of fluid contained and the minimum separation distances indicated in Table 3203.6.1.

**3203.6.1.1 Point-of-fill connections.** Remote transfer points and fill connection points shall not be positioned closer to exposures than the minimum distances required for stationary containers.

**3203.6.1.2 Surfaces beneath containers.** The surface of the area on which stationary containers are placed, including the surface of the area located below the point where connections are made for the purpose of filling such containers, shall be compatible with the fluid in the container.

**3203.6.2 Portable containers.** Portable containers shall be separated from exposure hazards in accordance with Table 3203.6.2.

**3203.6.2.1 Surfaces beneath containers.** Containers shall be placed on surfaces that are compatible with the fluid in the container.

**3203.7 Electrical wiring and equipment.** Electrical wiring and equipment shall comply with the electrical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code* and Sections 3203.7.1 and 3203.7.2.

**3203.7.1 Location.** Containers and systems shall not be located where they could become part of an electrical circuit.

**3203.7.2 Electrical grounding and bonding.** Containers and systems shall not be used for electrical grounding. When electrical grounding and bonding is required, the system shall comply with the electrical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*. The grounding system shall be protected against corrosion, including corrosion caused by stray electric currents.

**3203.8 Service and repair.** Service, repair, modification or removal of valves, pressure relief devices or other container appurtenances, shall comply with Sections 3203.8.1 and 3203.8.2 and the ASME *Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code*, Section VIII or DOTn 49 CFR Part 1.

**3203.8.1 Containers.** Containers that have been removed from service shall be handled in an approved manner.

3203.8.2 Systems. Service and repair of systems shall be performed by trained personnel.

**3203.9 Unauthorized use.** Containers shall not be used for any purpose other than to serve as a vessel for containing the product which it is designed to contain.

**3203.10 Leaks, damage and corrosion.** Leaking, damaged or corroded containers shall be removed from service. Leaking, damaged or corroded systems shall be replaced, repaired or removed in accordance with Section 3203.8.

**3203.11 Lighting.** When required, lighting, including emergency lighting, shall be provided for fire appliances and operating facilities such as walkways, control valves and gates ancillary to stationary containers.

#### STORAGE

3204.1 General. Storage of containers shall comply with this section.

**3204.2 Indoor storage.** Indoor storage of containers shall be in accordance with Sections 3204.2.1 through 3204.2.2.3.

**3204.2.1 Stationary containers.** Stationary containers shall be installed in accordance with the provisions applicable to the type of fluid stored and this section.

3204.2.1.1 Containers. Stationary containers shall comply with Section 3203.1.

**3204.2.1.2 Construction of indoor areas.** Cryogenic fluids in stationary containers stored indoors shall be located in buildings, rooms or areas constructed in accordance with the building sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**3204.2.1.3 Ventilation.** Storage areas for stationary containers shall be ventilated in accordance with the mechanical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**3204.2.2 Portable containers.** Indoor storage of portable containers shall comply with the provisions applicable to the type of fluid stored and Sections 3204.2.2.1 through 32042.2.3.

**3204.2.2.1 Containers.** Portable containers shall comply with Section 3203.1.

**3204.2.2.2 Construction of indoor areas.** Cryogenic fluids in portable containers stored indoors shall be stored in buildings, rooms or areas constructed in accordance with the building sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**3204.2.3 Ventilation.** Storage areas shall be ventilated in accordance with the mechanical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**3204.3 Outdoor storage.** Outdoor storage of containers shall be in accordance with Sections 3204.3.1 through 3204.3.2.2.

**3204.3.1 Stationary containers.** The outdoor storage of stationary containers shall comply with Section 3203 and this section.

**3204.3.1.1 Location.** Stationary containers shall be located in accordance with Section 3203.6. Containers of cryogenic fluids shall not be located within diked areas containing other hazardous materials.

**3204.3.1.2** Areas subject to flooding. Stationary containers located in areas subject to flooding shall be securely anchored or elevated to prevent the containers from separating from foundations or supports.

**3204.3.1.3 Drainage.** The area surrounding stationary containers shall be provided with a means to prevent accidental discharge of fluids from endangering personnel, containers, equipment and adjacent structures or to enter enclosed spaces. The stationary container shall not be placed where spilled or discharged fluids will be retained around the container.

**Exception:** These provisions shall not apply when it is determined by the fire code official that the container does not constitute a hazard, after consideration of special features such as crushed rock utilized as a heat sink, topographical conditions, nature of occupancy, proximity to structures on the same or adjacent property, and the capacity and construction of containers and character of fluids to be stored.

**3204.3.2 Portable containers.** Outdoor storage of portable containers shall comply with Section 3203 and this section.

3204.3.2.1 Location. Portable containers shall be located in accordance with Section 3203.6.

**3204.3.2.2 Drainage.** The area surrounding portable containers shall be provided with a means to prevent accidental discharge of fluids from endangering adjacent containers, buildings, equipment or adjoining property.

**Exception:** These provisions shall not apply when it is determined by the fire code official that the container does not constitute a hazard.

**3204.4 Underground tanks.** Underground tanks for the storage of liquid hydrogen shall be in accordance with Sections 3204.4.1 through 3204.5.3.

**3204.4.1 Construction.** Storage tanks for liquid hydrogen shall be designed and constructed in accordance with ASME *Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code* (Section VIII, Division 1) and shall be vacuum jacketed in accordance with Section 3204.5.

**3204.4.2 Location.** Storage tanks shall be located outside in accordance with the following:

1. Tanks and associated equipment shall be located with respect to foundations and supports of other structures such that the loads carried by the latter cannot be transmitted to the tank.

2. The distance from any part of the tank to the nearest wall of a basement, pit, cellar or lot line shall not be less than 3 feet (914 mm).

3. A minimum distance of 1 foot (1525 mm), shell to shell, shall be maintained between underground tanks.

**3204.4.3 Depth, cover and fill.** The tank shall be buried such that the top of the vacuum jacket is covered with a minimum of 1 foot (305 mm) of earth and with concrete a minimum of 4 inches (102 mm) thick placed over the earthen cover. The concrete shall extend a minimum of 1 foot (305 mm) horizontally beyond the footprint of the tank in all directions. Underground tanks shall be set on firm foundations constructed in accordance with the building sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code* and surrounded with at least 6 inches (152 mm) of noncorrosive inert material, such as sand.

**Exception:** The vertical extension of the vacuum jacket as required for service connections.

**3204.4.4 Anchorage and security.** Tanks and systems shall be secured against accidental dislodgement in accordance with this chapter.

**3204.4.5 Venting of underground tanks.** Vent pipes for underground storage tanks shall be in accordance with Sections 2209.5.4 and 3203.3.

**3204.4.6 Underground liquid hydrogen piping.** Underground liquid hydrogen piping shall be vacuum jacketed or protected by approved means and designed in accordance with this chapter.

**3204.4.7 Overfill protection and prevention systems.** An approved means or method shall be provided to prevent the overfill of all storage tanks.

**3204.5 Vacuum jacket construction.** The vacuum jacket shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Section VIII of ASME *Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code* and shall be designed to withstand the anticipated loading, including loading from vehicular traffic, where applicable. Portions of the vacuum jacket installed below grade shall be designed to withstand anticipated soil, seismic and hydrostatic loading.

**3204.5.1 Material.** The vacuum jacket shall be constructed of stainless steel or other approved corrosion-resistant material.

**3204.5.2 Corrosion protection.** The vacuum jacket shall be protected by approved or listed corrosionresistant materials or an engineered cathodic protection system. Where cathodic protection is utilized, an approved maintenance schedule shall be established. Exposed components shall be inspected at least twice a year. Maintenance and inspection events shall be recorded and those records shall be maintained on the premises for a minimum of three years and made available to the fire code official upon request.

**3204.5.3 Vacuum level monitoring.** An approved method shall be provided to indicate loss of vacuum within the vacuum jacket(s).

#### **USE AND HANDLING**

**3205.1 General.** Use and handling of cryogenic fluid containers and systems shall comply with Sections 3205.1.1 through 3205.5.2.

**3205.1.1 Cryogenic fluid systems.** Cryogenic fluid systems shall be suitable for the use intended and designed by persons competent in such design. Equipment, machinery and processes shall be listed or approved.

**3205.1.2 Piping systems.** Piping, tubing, valves and joints and fittings conveying cryogenic fluids shall be installed in accordance with the material-specific provisions of Sections 3201.1 and 3205.1.2.1 through 3205.1.2.6.

**3205.1.2.1 Design and construction.** Piping systems shall be suitable for the use intended through the full range of pressure and temperature to which they will be subjected. Piping systems shall be designed and constructed to provide adequate allowance for expansion, contraction, vibration, settlement and fire exposure.

**3205.1.2.2 Joints.** Joints on container piping and tubing shall be threaded, welded, silver brazed or flanged.

**3205.1.2.3 Valves and accessory equipment.** Valves and accessory equipment shall be suitable for the intended use at the temperatures of the application and shall be designed and constructed to withstand the maximum pressure at the minimum temperature to which they will be subjected.

**3205.1.2.3.1 Shutoff valves on containers.** Shutoff valves shall be provided on all container connections except for pressure relief devices. Shutoff valves shall be provided with access thereto and located as close as practical to the container.

**3205.1.2.3.2 Shutoff valves on piping.** Shutoff valves shall be installed in piping containing cryogenic fluids where needed to limit the volume of liquid discharged in the event of piping or equipment failure. Pressure relief valves shall be installed where liquid is capable of being trapped between shutoff- valves in the piping system (see Section 3203.2).

**3205.1.2.4 Physical protection and support.** Piping systems shall be supported and protected from physical damage. Piping passing through walls shall be protected from mechanical damage.

**3205.1.2.5 Corrosion protection.** Above-ground piping that is subject to corrosion because of exposure to corrosive atmospheres, shall be constructed of materials to resist the corrosive environment or otherwise protected against corrosion. Below-ground piping shall be protected against corrosion.

**3205.1.2.6 Testing.** Piping systems shall be tested and proven free of leaks after installation as required by the standards to which they were designed and constructed. Test pressures shall not be less than 150 percent of the maximum allowable working pressure when hydraulic testing is conducted or 110 percent when testing is conducted pneumatically.

**3205.2 Indoor use.** Indoor use of cryogenic fluids shall comply with the material-specific provisions of Section 3201.1.

**3205.3 Outdoor use.** Outdoor use of cryogenic fluids shall comply with the material specific provisions of Sections 3201.1, 3205.3.1 and 3205.3.2.

**3205.3.1 Separation.** Distances from property lines, buildings and exposure hazards shall comply with Section 3203.6 and the material specific provisions of Section 3201.1.

**3205.3.2 Emergency shutoff valves.** Manual or automatic emergency shutoff valves shall be provided to shut off the cryogenic fluid supply in case of emergency. An emergency shutoff valve shall be located at the source of supply and at the point where the system enters the building.

**3205.4 Filling and dispensing.** Filling and dispensing of cryogenic fluids shall comply with Sections 3205.4.1 through 3205.4.3.

**3205.4.1 Dispensing areas.** Dispensing of cryogenic fluids with physical or health hazards shall be conducted in approved locations. Dispensing indoors shall be conducted in areas constructed in accordance with the building sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**3205.4.1.1 Ventilation.** Indoor areas where cryogenic fluids are dispensed shall be ventilated in accordance with the requirements of the mechanical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code* in a manner that captures any vapor at the point of generation.

Exception: Cryogenic fluids that can be demonstrated not to create harmful vapors.

**3205.4.1.2 Piping systems.** Piping systems utilized for filling or dispensing of cryogenic fluids shall be designed and constructed in accordance with Section 3205.1.2.

**3205.4.2 Vehicle loading and unloading areas.** Loading or unloading areas shall be conducted in an approved manner in accordance with the standards referenced in Section 3201.1.

**3205.4.3 Limit controls.** Limit controls shall be provided to prevent overfilling of stationary containers during filling operations.

**3205.5 Handling.** Handling of cryogenic containers shall comply with Sections 3205.5.1 and 3205.5.2.

**3205.5.1 Carts and trucks.** Cryogenic containers shall be moved using an approved method. Where cryogenic containers are moved by hand cart, hand truck or other mobile device, such carts, trucks or devices shall be designed for the secure movement of the container. Carts and trucks used to transport cryogenic containers shall be designed to provide a stable base for the commodities to be transported and shall have a means of restraining containers to prevent accidental dislodgement.

**3205.5.2 Closed containers.** Pressurized containers shall be transported in a closed condition. Containers designed for use at atmospheric conditions shall be transported with appropriate loose fitting covers in place to prevent spillage.

### <u>iii. The storage, handling, and processing of flammable, combustible, and unstable liquids in closed containers and portable tanks in aggregate amounts of more than 660 gallons;</u>

HAZARD COMMUNICATION

**407.1 General.** The provisions of Sections 407.2 through 407.7 shall be applicable where hazardous materials subject to permits under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7 or LHU registration under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.4 are located on the premises or where required by the fire code official.

**407.2 Material Safety Data Sheets.** Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for all hazardous materials shall be readily available on the premises.

**407.3 Identification.** Individual containers of hazardous materials, cartons or packages shall be marked or labeled in accordance with applicable federal regulations. Buildings, rooms and spaces containing hazardous materials shall be identified by hazard warning signs in accordance with Section 2703.5.

**407.4 Training.** Persons responsible for the operation of areas in which hazardous materials are stored, dispensed, handled or used shall be familiar with the chemical nature of the materials and the appropriate mitigating actions necessary in the event of a fire, leak or spill. Responsible persons shall be designated and trained to be liaison personnel for the fire department. These persons shall aid the fire department in preplanning emergency responses and identification of the locations where hazardous materials are located, and shall have access to Material Safety Data Sheets and be knowledgeable in the site emergency response procedures.

**407.5 Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement (HMIS) in accordance with Section 2701.5.2.

**407.6 Hazardous Materials Management Plan.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Management Plan (HMMP) in accordance with Section 2701.5.1. The fire code official is authorized to accept a similar plan required by other regulations.

**407.7 Facility closure plans.** The permit holder or applicant shall submit to the fire code official a facility closure plan in accordance with Section 2701.6.3 to terminate storage, dispensing, handling or use of hazardous materials.

#### \*\*SEE N.J.A.C. 5:7-(3), CHAPTER 34 FOR FLAMMABLE/COBUSTIBLE LIQUIDS\*\*

## iv. To store or handle (except medicines, beverages, foodstuffs, cosmetics, and other common consumer items, when packaged according to commonly accepted practices):

#### HAZARD COMMUNICATION

**407.1 General.** The provisions of Sections 407.2 through 407.7 shall be applicable where hazardous materials subject to permits under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7 or LHU registration under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.4 are located on the premises or where required by the fire code official.

**407.2 Material Safety Data Sheets.** Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for all hazardous materials shall be readily available on the premises.

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**407.4 Training.** Persons responsible for the operation of areas in which hazardous materials are stored, dispensed, handled or used shall be familiar with the chemical nature of the materials and the appropriate mitigating actions necessary in the event of a fire, leak or spill. Responsible persons shall be designated and trained to be liaison personnel for the fire department. These persons shall aid the fire department in preplanning emergency responses and identification of the locations where hazardous materials are located, and shall have access to Material Safety Data Sheets and be knowledgeable in the site emergency response procedures.

**407.5 Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement (HMIS) in accordance with Section 2701.5.2.

**407.6 Hazardous Materials Management Plan.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Management Plan (HMMP) in accordance with Section 2701.5.1. The fire code official is authorized to accept a similar plan required by other regulations.

**407.7 Facility closure plans.** The permit holder or applicant shall submit to the fire code official a facility closure plan in accordance with Section 2701.6.3 to terminate storage, dispensing, handling or use of hazardous materials.

#### (1) More than 55 gallons of corrosive liquids;

HAZARD COMMUNICATION

**407.1 General.** The provisions of Sections 407.2 through 407.7 shall be applicable where hazardous materials subject to permits under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7 or LHU registration under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.4 are located on the premises or where required by the fire code official.

**407.2 Material Safety Data Sheets.** Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for all hazardous materials shall be readily available on the premises.

**407.3 Identification.** Individual containers of hazardous materials, cartons or packages shall be marked or labeled in accordance with applicable federal regulations. Buildings, rooms and spaces containing hazardous materials shall be identified by hazard warning signs in accordance with Section 2703.5.

**407.4 Training.** Persons responsible for the operation of areas in which hazardous materials are stored, dispensed, handled or used shall be familiar with the chemical nature of the materials and the appropriate mitigating actions necessary in the event of a fire, leak or spill. Responsible persons shall be designated and trained to be liaison personnel for the fire department. These persons shall aid the fire department in preplanning emergency responses and identification of the locations where hazardous materials are located, and shall have access to Material Safety Data Sheets and be knowledgeable in the site emergency response procedures.

**407.5 Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement (HMIS) in accordance with Section 2701.5.2.

**407.6 Hazardous Materials Management Plan.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Management Plan (HMMP) in accordance with Section 2701.5.1. The fire code official is authorized to accept a similar plan required by other regulations.

**407.7 Facility closure plans.** The permit holder or applicant shall submit to the fire code official a facility closure plan in accordance with Section 2701.6.3 to terminate storage, dispensing, handling or use of hazardous materials.

#### GENERAL

**3101.1 Scope.** The storage and use of corrosive materials shall be in accordance with this chapter. Compressed gases shall also comply with Chapter 30.

#### **Exceptions:**

1. Display and storage in Group M and storage in Group S occupancies complying with Section 2703.11.

2. Stationary storage battery systems in accordance with Section 608.

3. This chapter shall not apply to R-717 (ammonia) where used as a refrigerant in a refrigeration system (see Section 606).

#### DEFINITIONS

**3102.1 Definition.** The following word and term shall, for the purposes of this chapter and as used elsewhere in this code, have the meaning shown herein.

**CORROSIVE.** A chemical that causes visible destruction of, or irreversible alterations in, living tissue by chemical action at the point of contact. A chemical shall be considered corrosive if, when tested on the intact skin of albino rabbits by the method described in DOTn 49 CFR173.137, such chemical destroys or changes irreversibly the structure of the tissue at the point of contact following an exposure period of 4 hours. This term does not refer to action on inanimate surfaces.

#### **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

**3103.1** Quantities not exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area. The storage and use of corrosive materials in amounts not exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Section 2703.1 shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703 and 3101.

**3103.2** Quantities exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area. The storage and use of corrosive materials in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Section 2703.1 shall be in accordance with this chapter and Chapter 27.

#### STORAGE

**3104.1 Indoor storage.** Indoor storage of corrosive materials in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Table 2703.1.1(2), shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703, 2704 and this chapter.

**3104.1.1 Liquid-tight floor.** In addition to the provisions of Section 2704.12, floors in storage areas for corrosive liquids shall be of liquid-tight construction.

**3104.2 Outdoor storage.** Outdoor storage of corrosive materials in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Table 2703.1.1(4) shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703, 2704 and this chapter.

**3104.2.1** Above-ground outside storage tanks. Aboveground outside storage tanks exceeding an aggregate quantity of 1,000 gallons (3785 L) of corrosive liquids shall be provided with secondary containment in accordance with Section 2704.2.2.

**3104.2.2 Distance from storage to exposures.** Outdoor storage of corrosive materials shall not be within 20 feet (6096 mm) of buildings not associated with the manufacturing or distribution of such materials, lot lines, public streets, public alleys, public ways or means of egress. A 2-hour fire barrier wall without openings or penetrations, and extending not less than 30 inches (762 mm) above and to the sides of the storage area is allowed in lieu of such distance. The wall shall either be an independent structure, or the exterior wall of the building adjacent to the storage area.

#### USE

**3105.1 Indoor use.** The indoor use of corrosive materials in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Table 2703.1.1(2) shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703, 2705 and this chapter.

**3105.1.1 Liquid transfer.** Corrosive liquids shall be transferred in accordance with Section 2705.1.10.

**3105.1.2 Ventilation.** When corrosive materials are dispensed or used, mechanical exhaust ventilation in accordance with Section 2705.2.1.1 shall be provided.

**3105.2 Outdoor use.** The outdoor use of corrosive materials in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Table 2703.1.1(4) shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703, 2705 and this chapter.

**3105.2.1 Distance from use to exposures.** Outdoor use of corrosive materials shall be located in accordance with Section 3104.2.2.

#### (2) More than 500 pounds of oxidizing materials;

#### HAZARD COMMUNICATION

**407.1 General.** The provisions of Sections 407.2 through 407.7 shall be applicable where hazardous materials subject to permits under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7 or LHU registration under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.4 are located on the premises or where required by the fire code official.

**407.2 Material Safety Data Sheets.** Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for all hazardous materials shall be readily available on the premises.

**407.3 Identification.** Individual containers of hazardous materials, cartons or packages shall be marked or labeled in accordance with applicable federal regulations. Buildings, rooms and spaces containing hazardous materials shall be identified by hazard warning signs in accordance with Section 2703.5.

**407.4 Training.** Persons responsible for the operation of areas in which hazardous materials are stored, dispensed, handled or used shall be familiar with the chemical nature of the materials and the appropriate mitigating actions necessary in the event of a fire, leak or spill. Responsible persons shall be designated and trained to be liaison personnel for the fire department. These persons shall aid the fire department in preplanning emergency responses and identification of the locations where hazardous materials are located, and shall have access to Material Safety Data Sheets and be knowledgeable in the site emergency response procedures.

**407.5 Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement (HMIS) in accordance with Section 2701.5.2.

**407.6 Hazardous Materials Management Plan.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Management Plan (HMMP) in accordance with Section 2701.5.1. The fire code official is authorized to accept a similar plan required by other regulations.

**407.7 Facility closure plans.** The permit holder or applicant shall submit to the fire code official a facility closure plan in accordance with Section 2701.6.3 to terminate storage, dispensing, handling or use of hazardous materials.

#### GENERAL

**4001.1 Scope.** The storage and use of oxidizers shall be in accordance with this chapter and Chapter 27. Compressed gases shall also comply with Chapter 30.

#### **Exceptions:**

1. Display and storage in Group M and storage in Group S occupancies complying with Section 2703.11.

2. Bulk oxygen systems at industrial and institutional consumer sites shall be in accordance with NFPA55.

#### DEFINITIONS

**4002.1 Definitions.** The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this chapter and as used elsewhere in this code, have the meanings shown herein.

**BULK OXYGEN SYSTEM.** An assembly of equipment, such as oxygen storage containers, pressure regulators, safety devices, vaporizers, manifolds and interconnecting piping, that has a storage capacity

of more than 20,000 cubic feet (566 m3) of oxygen at normal temperature and pressure (NTP) including unconnected reserves on hand at the site. The bulk oxygen system terminates at the point where oxygen at service pressure first enters the supply line. The oxygen containers can be stationary or movable, and the oxygen can be stored as a gas or liquid.

**OXIDIZER.** A material that readily yields oxygen or other oxidizing gas, or that readily reacts to promote or initiate combustion of combustible materials. Examples of other oxidizing gases include bromine, chlorine and fluorine.

**Class 4.** An oxidizer that can undergo an explosive reaction due to contamination or exposure to thermal or physical shock. In addition, the oxidizer will enhance the burning rate and can cause spontaneous ignition of combustibles.

**Class 3.** An oxidizer that will cause a severe increase in the burning rate of combustible materials with which it comes in contact or that will undergo vigorous self-sustained decomposition caused by contamination or exposure to heat.

**Class 2.** An oxidizer that will cause a moderate increase in the burning rate or that causes spontaneous ignition of combustible materials with which it comes in contact.

**Class 1.** An oxidizer whose primary hazard is that it slightly increases the burning rate but which does not cause spontaneous ignition when it comes in contact with combustible materials.

**OXIDIZING GAS.** A gas that can support and accelerate combustion of other materials.

#### **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

**4003.1** Quantities not exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area. The storage and use of oxidizers in amounts not exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Section 2703.1 shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703, 4001 and 4003. Oxidizing gases shall also comply with Chapter 30.

**4003.1.1 Special limitations for indoor storage and use by occupancy.** The indoor storage and use of oxidizers shall be in accordance with Sections 4003.1.1.1 through 4003.1.1.3.

**4003.1.1.1 Class 4 liquid and solid oxidizers.** The storage and use of Class 4 liquid and solid oxidizers shall comply with Sections 4003.1.1.1.1 through 4003.1.1.1.4.

**4003.1.1.1 Group A, E, I or U occupancies.** In Group A, E, I or U occupancies, any amount of Class 4 liquid and solid oxidizers shall be stored in accordance with the following:

1. Class 4 liquid and solid oxidizers shall be stored in hazardous materials storage cabinets complying with Section 2703.8.7.

2. The hazardous materials storage cabinets shall not contain other storage.

**4003.1.1.1.2 Group R occupancies.** Class 4 liquid and solid oxidizers shall not be stored or used within Group R occupancies.

**4003.1.1.1.3 Offices, and retail sales areas.** Class 4 liquid and solid oxidizers shall not be stored or used in offices, or retail sales areas of Group B, F, M or S occupancies.

**4003.1.1.1.4 Classrooms.** In classrooms of Group B, F or M occupancies, any amount of Class 4 liquid and solid oxidizers shall be stored in accordance with the following:

1. Class 4 liquid and solid oxidizers shall be stored in hazardous materials storage cabinets complying with Section 2703.8.7.

2. Hazardous materials storage cabinets shall not contain other storage.

**4003.1.1.2 Class 3 liquid and solid oxidizers.** A maximum of 200 pounds (91 kg) of solid or 20 gallons (76 L) of liquid Class 3 oxidizer is allowed in Group I occupancies when such materials are necessary for maintenance purposes or operation of equipment. The oxidizers shall be stored in approved containers and in an approved manner.

**4003.1.1.3 Oxidizing gases.** Except for cylinders not exceeding a capacity of 250 cubic feet (7 m3) each used for maintenance purposes, patient care or operation of equipment, oxidizing gases shall not be stored or used in Group A, B, E, I or R occupancies. The aggregate quantities of gases used for maintenance purposes and operation of equipment shall not exceed the maximum allowable quantity per control area listed in Table 2703.1.1(1). Medical gas systems and medical gas supply cylinders shall also be in accordance with Section 3006.

**4003.1.2 Emergency shutoff.** Compressed gas systems conveying oxidizing gases shall be provided with approved manual or automatic emergency shutoff valves that can be activated at each point of use and at each source.

**4003.1.2.1 Shutoff at source.** A manual or automatic fail-safe emergency shutoff valve shall be installed on supply piping at the cylinder or bulk source. Manual or automatic cylinder valves are allowed to be used as the required emergency shutoff valve when the source of supply is limited to un-manifolded cylinder sources.

**4003.1.2.2 Shutoff at point of use.** A manual or automatic emergency shutoff valve shall be installed on the supply piping at the point of use or at a point where the equipment using the gas is connected to the supply system.

**4003.1.3 Ignition source control.** Ignition sources in areas containing oxidizing gases shall be controlled in accordance with Section 2703.7.

**4003.2 Quantities exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area.** The storage and use of oxidizers in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Section 2703.1 shall be in accordance with Chapter 27 and this chapter.

#### STORAGE

**4004.1 Indoor storage.** Indoor storage of oxidizers in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Table 2703.1.1(1) shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703, 2704 and this chapter.

**4004.1.1 Detached storage.** Storage of liquid and solid oxidizers shall be in detached buildings when required by Section 2703.8.2.

**4004.1.2 Distance from detached storage buildings to exposures.** In addition to the requirements of the building sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*, detached storage buildings shall be located in accordance with Table 4004.1.2.

**4004.1.3 Explosion control.** Indoor storage rooms, areas and buildings containing Class 4 liquid or solid oxidizers shall be provided with explosion control in accordance with Section 911.

**4004.1.4 Automatic sprinkler system.** The automatic sprinkler system shall be designed in accordance with NFPA 430.

**4004.1.5 Liquid-tight floor.** In addition to Section 2704.12, floors of storage areas for liquid and solid oxidizers shall be of liquid-tight construction.

**4004.1.6 Smoke detection.** An approved supervised smoke detection system in accordance with Section 907 shall be installed in liquid and solid oxidizer storage areas. Activation of the smoke detection system shall sound a local alarm.

**Exception:** Detached storage buildings protected by an approved automatic fire-extinguishing system.

**4004.1.7 Storage conditions.** The maximum quantity of oxidizers per building in detached storage buildings shall not exceed those quantities set forth in Tables 4004.1.7(1) through 4004.1.7(4). The storage configuration for liquid and solid oxidizers shall be as set forth in Tables 4004.1.7(1) through 4004.1.7(4). Class 2 oxidizers shall not be stored in basements except when such storage is in stationary tanks. Class 3 and 4 oxidizers in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area set forth in Section 2703.1 shall be stored on the ground floor only.

**4004.1.8 Separation of Class 4 oxidizers from other materials.** In addition to the requirements in Section 2703.9.8, Class 4 oxidizer liquids and solids shall be separated from other hazardous materials by not less than a 1-hour fire barrier or stored in hazardous materials storage cabinets. Detached storage buildings for Class 4 oxidizer liquids and solids shall be located a minimum of 50 feet (15 240 mm) from other hazardous materials storage.

**4004.1.9 Contamination.** Liquid and solid oxidizers shall not be stored on or against combustible surfaces. Liquid and solid oxidizers shall be stored in a manner to prevent contamination.

**4004.2 Outdoor storage.** Outdoor storage of oxidizers in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantities per control area set forth in Table 2703.1.1(3) shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703, 2704 and this chapter. Oxidizing gases shall also comply with Chapter 30.

**4004.2.1 Distance from storage to exposures for liquid and solid oxidizers.** Outdoor storage areas for liquid and solid oxidizers shall be located in accordance with Table 4004.1.2.

**4004.2.2 Distance from storage to exposures for oxidizer gases.** Outdoor storage areas for oxidizer gases shall be located in accordance with Table 4004.2.2.

**4004.2.3 Storage configuration for liquid and solid oxidizers.** Storage configuration for liquid and solid oxidizers shall be in accordance with Tables 4004.1.7(1) through 4004.1.7(4).

**4004.2.4 Storage configuration for oxidizer gases.** Storage configuration for oxidizer gases shall be in accordance with Table 4004.2.2.

**4005.1 Scope.** The use of oxidizers in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Table 2703.1.1(1) or 2703.1.1(3) shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703, 2705 and this chapter. Oxidizing gases shall also comply with Chapter 30.

#### (3) More than 10 pounds of organic peroxides;

#### HAZARD COMMUNICATION

**407.1 General.** The provisions of Sections 407.2 through 407.7 shall be applicable where hazardous materials subject to permits under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7 or LHU registration under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.4 are located on the premises or where required by the fire code official.

**407.2 Material Safety Data Sheets.** Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for all hazardous materials shall be readily available on the premises.

**407.3 Identification.** Individual containers of hazardous materials, cartons or packages shall be marked or labeled in accordance with applicable federal regulations. Buildings, rooms and spaces containing hazardous materials shall be identified by hazard warning signs in accordance with Section 2703.5.

**407.4 Training.** Persons responsible for the operation of areas in which hazardous materials are stored, dispensed, handled or used shall be familiar with the chemical nature of the materials and the appropriate mitigating actions necessary in the event of a fire, leak or spill. Responsible persons shall be designated and trained to be liaison personnel for the fire department. These persons shall aid the fire department in preplanning emergency responses and identification of the locations where hazardous materials are located, and shall have access to Material Safety Data Sheets and be knowledgeable in the site emergency response procedures.

**407.5 Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement (HMIS) in accordance with Section 2701.5.2.

**407.6 Hazardous Materials Management Plan.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Management Plan (HMMP) in accordance with Section 2701.5.1. The fire code official is authorized to accept a similar plan required by other regulations.

**407.7 Facility closure plans.** The permit holder or applicant shall submit to the fire code official a facility closure plan in accordance with Section 2701.6.3 to terminate storage, dispensing, handling or use of hazardous materials.

#### GENERAL

**3901.1 Scope.** The storage and use of organic peroxides shall be in accordance with this chapter and Chapter 27. Unclassified detonable organic peroxides that are capable of detonation in their normal shipping containers under conditions of fire exposure shall be stored in accordance with Chapter 33.

#### DEFINITIONS

**3902.1 Definition.** The following word and term shall, for the purposes of this chapter and as used elsewhere in this code, have the meanings shown herein.

**ORGANIC PEROXIDE.** An organic compound that contains the bivalent -O-O- structure and which may be considered to be a structural derivative of hydrogen peroxide where one or both of the hydrogen atoms have been replaced by an organic radical. Organic peroxides can present an explosion hazard (detonation or deflagration) or they can be shock sensitive. They can also decompose into various unstable compounds over an extended period of time.

Class I. Describes those formulations that are capable of deflagration but not detonation.

**Class II.** Describes those formulations that burn very rapidly and that pose a moderate reactivity hazard.

**Class III.** Describes those formulations that burn rapidly and that pose a moderate reactivity hazard.

**Class IV.** Describes those formulations that burn in the same manner as ordinary combustibles and that pose a minimal reactivity hazard.

**Class V.** Describes those formulations that burn with less intensity than ordinary combustibles or do not sustain combustion and that pose no reactivity hazard.

**Unclassified detonable.** Organic peroxides that are capable of detonation. These peroxides pose an extremely high explosion hazard through rapid explosive decomposition.

#### **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

**3903.1** Quantities not exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area. The storage and use of organic peroxides in amounts not exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Section 2703.1 shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703, 3901 and 3903.

**3903.1.1 Special limitations for indoor storage and use by occupancy.** The indoor storage and use of organic per peroxides shall be in accordance with Sections 3903.1.1.1 through 3903.1.1.4.

**3903.1.1.1 Group A, E, I or U occupancies.** In Group A, E, I or U occupancies, any amount of unclassified detonable and Class I organic peroxides shall be stored in accordance with the following:

1. Unclassified detonable and Class I organic peroxides shall be stored in hazardous materials storage cabinets complying with Section 2703.8.7.

2. The hazardous materials storage cabinets shall not contain other storage.

**3903.1.1.2 Group R occupancies.** Unclassified detonable and Class I organic peroxides shall not be stored or used within Group R occupancies.

**3903.1.1.3 Group B, F, M or S occupancies.** Unclassified detonable and Class I organic peroxides shall not be stored or used in offices, or retail sales areas of Group B, F, M or S occupancies.

**3903.1.1.4 Classrooms.** In classrooms in Group B, F or M occupancies, any amount of unclassified detonable and Class 1 organic peroxides shall be stored in accordance with the following:

1. Unclassified detonable and Class 1 organic peroxides shall be stored in hazardous materials storage cabinets complying with Section 2703.8.7.

2. The hazardous materials storage cabinets shall not contain other storage.

**3903.2** Quantities exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area. The storage and use of organic peroxides in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Section 2703.1 shall be in accordance with Chapter 27 and this chapter.

#### STORAGE

**3904.1 Indoor storage.** Indoor storage of organic peroxides in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Table 2703.1.1(1) shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703, 2704 and this chapter. Indoor storage of unclassified detonable organic peroxides that are capable of detonation in their normal shipping containers under conditions of fire exposure shall be stored in accordance with Chapter 33.

**3904.1.1 Detached storage.** Storage of organic peroxides shall be in detached buildings when required by Section 2703.8.2.

**3904.1.2 Distance from detached storage buildings to exposures.** In addition to the requirements of the building sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*, detached storage buildings shall be located in accordance with Table 3904.1.2.

**3904.1.3 Liquid-tight floor.** In addition to the requirements of Section 2704.12, floors of storage areas shall be of liquid- tight construction.

**3904.1.4 Electrical wiring and equipment.** In addition to the requirements of Section 2703.9.4, electrical wiring and equipment in storage areas for Class I or II organic peroxides shall comply with the requirements for electrical Class I, Division 2 locations.

**3904.1.5 Smoke detection.** An approved supervised smoke detection system in accordance with Section 907 shall be provided in rooms or areas where Class I, II or III organic peroxides are stored. Activation of the smoke detection system shall sound a local alarm.

**Exception:** A smoke detection system shall not be required in detached storage buildings equipped throughout with an approved automatic fire-extinguishing system complying with Chapter 9.

**3904.1.6 Maximum quantities.** Maximum allowable quantities per building in a mixed occupancy building shall not exceed the amounts set forth in Table 2703.8.2. Maximum allowable quantities per building in a detached storage building shall not exceed the amounts specified in Table 3904.1.2.

**3904.1.7 Storage arrangement.** Storage arrangements for organic peroxides shall be in accordance with Table 3904.1.7 and shall comply with all of the following:

1. Containers and packages in storage areas shall be closed.

2. Bulk storage shall not be in piles or bins.

3. A minimum 2-foot (610 mm) clear space shall be maintained between storage and un-insulated metal walls.

4. Fifty-five-gallon (208 L) drums shall not be stored more than one drum high.

**3904.1.8 Location in building.** The storage of Class I or II organic peroxides shall be on the ground floor. Class III organic peroxides shall not be stored in basements.

**3904.1.9 Contamination.** Organic peroxides shall be stored in their original DOTn shipping containers. Organic peroxides shall be stored in a manner to prevent contamination.

**3904.1.10 Explosion control.** Indoor storage rooms, areas and buildings containing unclassified detonable and Class I organic peroxides shall be provided with explosion control in accordance with Section 911.

**3904.1.11 Standby power.** Standby power in accordance with Section 604 shall be provided for storage areas of Class I and unclassified detonable organic peroxide.

**3904.2 Outdoor storage.** Outdoor storage of organic peroxides in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantities per control area indicated in Table 2703.1.1(3) shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703, 2704 and this chapter.

**3904.2.1 Distance from storage to exposures.** Outdoor storage areas for organic peroxides shall be located in accordance with Table 3904.1.2

**3904.2.2 Electrical wiring and equipment.** In addition to the requirements of Section 2703.9.4, electrical wiring and equipment in outdoor storage areas containing unclassified detonable, Class I or II organic peroxides shall comply with the requirements for electrical Class I, Division 2 locations.

**3904.2.3 Maximum quantities.** Maximum quantities of organic peroxides in outdoor storage shall be in accordance with Table 3904.1.2.

**3904.2.4 Storage arrangement.** Storage arrangements shall be in accordance with Table 3904.1.7.

**3904.2.5 Separation.** In addition to the requirements of Section 2703.9.8, outdoor storage areas for organic peroxides in amounts exceeding those specified in Table 2703.8.2 shall be located a minimum distance of 50 feet (15 240 mm) from other hazardous material storage.

**3905.1 General.** The use of organic peroxides in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Table 2703.1.1(1) or 2703.1.1(3) shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703, 2705 and this chapter.

#### (4) More than 500 pounds of nitromethane;

#### HAZARD COMMUNICATION

**407.1 General.** The provisions of Sections 407.2 through 407.7 shall be applicable where hazardous materials subject to permits under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7 or LHU registration under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.4 are located on the premises or where required by the fire code official.

**407.2 Material Safety Data Sheets.** Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for all hazardous materials shall be readily available on the premises.

**407.3 Identification.** Individual containers of hazardous materials, cartons or packages shall be marked or labeled in accordance with applicable federal regulations. Buildings, rooms and spaces containing hazardous materials shall be identified by hazard warning signs in accordance with Section 2703.5.

**407.4 Training.** Persons responsible for the operation of areas in which hazardous materials are stored, dispensed, handled or used shall be familiar with the chemical nature of the materials and the appropriate mitigating actions necessary in the event of a fire, leak or spill. Responsible persons shall be designated and trained to be liaison personnel for the fire department. These persons shall aid the fire department in preplanning emergency responses and identification of the locations where hazardous materials are located, and shall have access to Material Safety Data Sheets and be knowledgeable in the site emergency response procedures.

**407.5 Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement (HMIS) in accordance with Section 2701.5.2.

**407.6 Hazardous Materials Management Plan.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Management Plan (HMMP) in accordance with Section 2701.5.1. The fire code official is authorized to accept a similar plan required by other regulations.

USE

**407.7 Facility closure plans.** The permit holder or applicant shall submit to the fire code official a facility closure plan in accordance with Section 2701.6.3 to terminate storage, dispensing, handling or use of hazardous materials.

#### GENERAL

**4301.1 Scope.** The storage and use of unstable (reactive) materials shall be in accordance with this chapter. Compressed gases shall also comply with Chapter 30.

#### **Exceptions:**

Display and storage in Group M and storage in Group S occupancies complying with Section 2703.11.
Detonable unstable (reactive) materials shall be stored in accordance with Chapter 33.

#### 4301.2. Deleted.

#### DEFINITIONS

**4302.1 Definition.** The following word and term shall, for the purposes of this chapter and as used elsewhere in this code, have the meaning shown herein.

**UNSTABLE (REACTIVE) MATERIAL.** A material, other than an explosive, which in the pure state or as commercially produced, will vigorously polymerize, decompose, condense or become self-reactive and undergo other violent chemical changes, including explosion, when exposed to heat, friction or shock, or in the absence of an inhibitor, or in the presence of contaminants, or in contact with incompatible materials. Unstable (reactive) materials are subdivided as follows:

**Class 4.** Materials that in themselves are readily capable of detonation or explosive decomposition or explosive reaction at normal temperatures and pressures. This class includes materials that are sensitive to mechanical or localized thermal shock at normal temperatures and pressures.

**Class 3.** Materials that in themselves are capable of detonation or of explosive decomposition or explosive reaction but which require a strong initiating source or which must be heated under confinement before initiation. This class includes materials that are sensitive to thermal or mechanical shock at elevated temperatures and pressures.

**Class 2.** Materials that in themselves are normally unstable and readily undergo violent chemical change but do not detonate. This class includes materials that can undergo chemical change with rapid release of energy at normal temperatures and pressures, and that can undergo violent chemical change at elevated temperatures and pressures.

**Class 1.** Materials that in themselves are normally stable but which can become unstable at elevated temperatures and pressure.

#### **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

**4303.1** Quantities not exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area. Quantities of unstable (reactive) materials not exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area shall be in accordance with Sections 4303.1.1 through 4303.1.2.5.

**4303.1.1 General.** The storage and use of unstable (reactive) materials in amounts not exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Section 2703.1 shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703, 4301 and 4303.

**4303.1.2 Limitations for indoor storage and use by occupancy.** The indoor storage of unstable (reactive) materials shall be in accordance with Sections 4303.1.2.1 through 4303.1.2.5.

**4303.1.2.1 Group A, E, I or U occupancies.** In Group A, E, I or U occupancies, any amount of Class 3 and 4 unstable (reactive) materials shall be stored in accordance with the following:

1. Class 3 and 4 unstable (reactive) materials shall be stored in hazardous material storage cabinets complying with Section 2703.8.7.

2. The hazardous material storage cabinets shall not contain other storage.

**4303.1.2.2 Group R occupancies.** Class 3 and 4 unstable (reactive) materials shall not be stored or used within Group R occupancies.

**4303.1.2.3 Group M occupancies.** Class 4 unstable (reactive) materials shall not be stored or used in retail sales portions of Group M occupancies.

**4303.1.2.4 Offices.** Class 3 and 4 unstable (reactive) materials shall not be stored or used in offices of Group B, F, M or S occupancies.

**4303.1.2.5 Classrooms.** In classrooms in Group B, F or M occupancies, any amount of Class 3 and 4 unstable (reactive) materials shall be stored in accordance with the following:

1. Class 3 and 4 unstable (reactive) materials shall be stored in hazardous material storage cabinets complying with Section 2703.8.7.

2. The hazardous material storage cabinets shall not contain other storage.

**4303.2** Quantities exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area. The storage and use of unstable (reactive) materials in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Section 2703.1 shall be in accordance with Chapter 27 and this chapter.

#### STORAGE

**4304.1 Indoor storage.** Indoor storage of unstable (reactive) materials in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Table 2703.1.1(1) shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703, 2704 and this chapter. In addition, Class 3 and 4 unstable (reactive) detonable materials shall be stored in accordance with the building sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code* requirements for explosives.

**4304.1.1 Detached storage.** Storage of unstable (reactive) materials shall be in detached buildings when required in Section 2703.8.2.

**4304.1.2 Explosion control.** Indoor storage rooms, areas and buildings containing Class 3 or 4 unstable (reactive) materials shall be provided with explosion control in accordance with Section 911.

**4304.1.3 Liquid-tight floor.** In addition to Section 2704.12, floors of storage areas for liquids and solids shall be of liquid-tight construction.

**4304.1.4 Storage configuration.** Unstable (reactive) materials stored in quantities greater than 500 cubic feet (14 m3) shall be separated into piles, each not larger than 500 cubic feet (14 m3). Aisle width shall not be less than the height of the piles or 4 feet (1219 mm), whichever is greater.

Exception: Materials stored in tanks.

4304.1.5 Location in building. Unstable (reactive) materials shall not be stored in basements.

**4304.2 Outdoor storage.** Outdoor storage of unstable (reactive) materials in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantities per control area indicated in Table 2703.1.1(3) shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703, 2704 and this chapter.

**4304.2.1 Distance from storage to exposures Class 4 and 3 (detonable) materials.** Outdoor storage of Class 4 or 3 (detonable) unstable (reactive) material shall be in accordance with Table 3304.5.2(2). The number of pounds of material listed in the table shall be the net weight of the material present. Alternatively, the number of pounds of material shall be based on a trinitrotoluene (TNT) equivalent weight.

**4304.2.2** Distance from storage to exposures Class **3** (deflagratable) materials. Outdoor storage of deflagratable Class 3 unstable (reactive) materials shall be in accordance with Table 3304.5.2(3). The number of pounds of material listed shall be the net weight of the material present.

**4304.2.3** Distance from storage to exposures Class 2 and 1 materials. Outdoor storage of Class 2 or 1 unstable (reactive) materials shall not be located within 20 feet (6096 mm) of buildings not associated

with the manufacture or distribution of such materials, lot lines, public streets, public alleys, publicways or means of egress. The minimum required distance shall not apply when fire barriers without openings or penetrations having a minimum fire-resistance rating of 2 hours interrupt the line of sight between the storage and the exposure. The fire barrier shall either be an independent structure or the exterior wall of the building adjacent to the storage area.

**4304.2.4 Storage configuration.** Piles of unstable (reactive) materials shall not exceed 1,000 cubic feet (28 m3).

**4304.2.5** Aisle widths. Aisle widths between piles shall not be less than one-half the height of the pile or 10 feet (3048 mm), whichever is greater.

#### USE

**4305.1 General.** The use of unstable (reactive) materials in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Table 2703.1.1(1) or 2703.1.1(3) shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703, 2705 and this chapter.

#### (5) More than 1,000 pounds of ammonium nitrate;

#### HAZARD COMMUNICATION

**407.1 General.** The provisions of Sections 407.2 through 407.7 shall be applicable where hazardous materials subject to permits under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7 or LHU registration under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.4 are located on the premises or where required by the fire code official.

**407.2 Material Safety Data Sheets.** Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for all hazardous materials shall be readily available on the premises.

**407.3 Identification.** Individual containers of hazardous materials, cartons or packages shall be marked or labeled in accordance with applicable federal regulations. Buildings, rooms and spaces containing hazardous materials shall be identified by hazard warning signs in accordance with Section 2703.5.

**407.4 Training.** Persons responsible for the operation of areas in which hazardous materials are stored, dispensed, handled or used shall be familiar with the chemical nature of the materials and the appropriate mitigating actions necessary in the event of a fire, leak or spill. Responsible persons shall be

designated and trained to be liaison personnel for the fire department. These persons shall aid the fire department in preplanning emergency responses and identification of the locations where hazardous materials are located, and shall have access to Material Safety Data Sheets and be knowledgeable in the site emergency response procedures.

**407.5 Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement (HMIS) in accordance with Section 2701.5.2.

**407.6 Hazardous Materials Management Plan.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Management Plan (HMMP) in accordance with Section 2701.5.1. The fire code official is authorized to accept a similar plan required by other regulations.

**407.7 Facility closure plans.** The permit holder or applicant shall submit to the fire code official a facility closure plan in accordance with Section 2701.6.3 to terminate storage, dispensing, handling or use of hazardous materials.

#### \*\* SEE N.J.A.C. 5:70-3, CHAPTER 33 \*\*

#### (6) More than one microcurie of radium not contained in a sealed source;

#### HAZARD COMMUNICATION

**407.1 General.** The provisions of Sections 407.2 through 407.7 shall be applicable where hazardous materials subject to permits under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7 or LHU registration under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.4 are located on the premises or where required by the fire code official.

**407.2 Material Safety Data Sheets.** Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for all hazardous materials shall be readily available on the premises.

**407.3 Identification.** Individual containers of hazardous materials, cartons or packages shall be marked or labeled in accordance with applicable federal regulations. Buildings, rooms and spaces containing hazardous materials shall be identified by hazard warning signs in accordance with Section 2703.5.

**407.4 Training.** Persons responsible for the operation of areas in which hazardous materials are stored, dispensed, handled or used shall be familiar with the chemical nature of the materials and the appropriate mitigating actions necessary in the event of a fire, leak or spill. Responsible persons shall be designated and trained to be liaison personnel for the fire department. These persons shall aid the fire department in preplanning emergency responses and identification of the locations where hazardous materials are located, and shall have access to Material Safety Data Sheets and be knowledgeable in the site emergency response procedures.

**407.5 Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement (HMIS) in accordance with Section 2701.5.2.

**407.6 Hazardous Materials Management Plan.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Management Plan (HMMP) in accordance with Section 2701.5.1. The fire code official is authorized to accept a similar plan required by other regulations.

**407.7 Facility closure plans.** The permit holder or applicant shall submit to the fire code official a facility closure plan in accordance with Section 2701.6.3 to terminate storage, dispensing, handling or use of hazardous materials.

**2707.1 Scope.** Unless preempted by the requirements of any federal, state or local agency, this chapter shall apply to the storage of radioactive materials, except that this chapter shall not apply to units generating induced radioactivity, such as X-ray machines and accelerators capable of immediate shutdown. Radioactive materials shall be used, stored and handled in an approved manner minimizing the personnel hazards and property damage by radioactive contamination resulting from fires and explosions.

**2707.2 Maximum amounts.** The maximum amount of radioactive material stored in one control area shall either be 25 REM whole-body short-term (1 hour or less) radiation dose from an unsealed source or 100 REM whole-body short-term (1 hour or less) radiation dose from a sealed source.

**2707.3 Definitions.** The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this chapter and as stated elsewhere in this code, have the meanings shown herein.

**RADIOACTIVEMATERIAL.** Any material or combination of materials that spontaneously emits ionizing radiation.

**SEALED SOURCE.** A quantity of radiation enclosed to prevent the escape of any radioactive material, but at the same time permitting radiation to come out for use.

**2707.4 Maintenance.** All storage areas of radioactive materials in any quantity shall comply with Sections 2707.4.1 through 2707.6.

**2707.4.1 Signs.** Durable and clearly visible signs warning of radiation dangers shall be provided at all entrances to areas or rooms where radioactive materials are used or stored. Additionally, each container in which radioactive materials are used, stored or transported shall bear the three-bladed radiation symbol in magenta or purple on a yellow background.

**2707.4.1.1 Signs not required.** Signs are not required for storage of manufactured articles other than liquids, such as instruments, clock dials, electronic tubes or apparatus in which radioactive materials are a component part, and luminous compounds, where securely packed in strong containers, provided the gamma radiation at any surface of the package is less than 10 milliroentgen in 24 hours.

**2707.5 Containers.** When not in use, radioactive materials shall be kept in adequately shielded fire-resistant containers designed such that the gamma radiation will not exceed 200 milliroentgen per hour or equivalent at any point on the container surface to which ready access is provided.

**2707.6 Outside storage.** Outside storage of radioactive materials shall not be permitted within 25 feet (7620 mm) of an interior lot line, publicway, exit discharge or exterior-wall opening. The separation distance shall not apply where a 2-hour fire separation wall extending not less than 30 inches (762 mm) above and to the sides of the storage area is provided.

### (7) More than one millicurie of radium or other radiation material in a sealed source or sources;

#### HAZARD COMMUNICATION

**407.1 General.** The provisions of Sections 407.2 through 407.7 shall be applicable where hazardous materials subject to permits under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7 or LHU registration under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.4 are located on the premises or where required by the fire code official.

**407.2 Material Safety Data Sheets.** Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for all hazardous materials shall be readily available on the premises.

**407.3 Identification.** Individual containers of hazardous materials, cartons or packages shall be marked or labeled in accordance with applicable federal regulations. Buildings, rooms and spaces containing hazardous materials shall be identified by hazard warning signs in accordance with Section 2703.5.

**407.4 Training.** Persons responsible for the operation of areas in which hazardous materials are stored, dispensed, handled or used shall be familiar with the chemical nature of the materials and the appropriate mitigating actions necessary in the event of a fire, leak or spill. Responsible persons shall be designated and trained to be liaison personnel for the fire department. These persons shall aid the fire department in preplanning emergency responses and identification of the locations where hazardous materials are located, and shall have access to Material Safety Data Sheets and be knowledgeable in the site emergency response procedures.

**407.5 Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement (HMIS) in accordance with Section 2701.5.2.

**407.6 Hazardous Materials Management Plan.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Management Plan (HMMP) in accordance with Section 2701.5.1. The fire code official is authorized to accept a similar plan required by other regulations.

**407.7 Facility closure plans.** The permit holder or applicant shall submit to the fire code official a facility closure plan in accordance with Section 2701.6.3 to terminate storage, dispensing, handling or use of hazardous materials.

**2707.1 Scope.** Unless preempted by the requirements of any federal, state or local agency, this chapter shall apply to the storage of radioactive materials, except that this chapter shall not apply to units generating induced radioactivity, such as X-ray machines and accelerators capable of immediate shutdown. Radioactive materials shall be used, stored and handled in an approved manner minimizing the personnel hazards and property damage by radioactive contamination resulting from fires and explosions.

**2707.2 Maximum amounts.** The maximum amount of radioactive material stored in one control area shall either be 25 REM whole-body short-term (1 hour or less) radiation dose from an unsealed source or 100 REM whole-body short-term (1 hour or less) radiation dose from a sealed source.

**2707.3 Definitions.** The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this chapter and as stated elsewhere in this code, have the meanings shown herein.

**RADIOACTIVEMATERIAL.** Any material or combination of materials that spontaneously emits ionizing radiation.

**SEALED SOURCE.** A quantity of radiation enclosed to prevent the escape of any radioactive material, but at the same time permitting radiation to come out for use.

**2707.4 Maintenance.** All storage areas of radioactive materials in any quantity shall comply with Sections 2707.4.1 through 2707.6.

**2707.4.1 Signs.** Durable and clearly visible signs warning of radiation dangers shall be provided at all entrances to areas or rooms where radioactive materials are used or stored. Additionally, each container in which radioactive materials are used, stored or transported shall bear the three-bladed radiation symbol in magenta or purple on a yellow background.

**2707.4.1.1 Signs not required.** Signs are not required for storage of manufactured articles other than liquids, such as instruments, clock dials, electronic tubes or apparatus in which radioactive materials are a component part, and luminous compounds, where securely packed in strong containers, provided the gamma radiation at any surface of the package is less than 10 milliroentgen in 24 hours.

**2707.5 Containers.** When not in use, radioactive materials shall be kept in adequately shielded fire-resistant containers designed such that the gamma radiation will not exceed 200 milliroentgen per hour or equivalent at any point on the container surface to which ready access is provided.

**2707.6 Outside storage.** Outside storage of radioactive materials shall not be permitted within 25 feet (7620 mm) of an interior lot line, publicway, exit discharge or exterior wall opening. The separation distance shall not apply where a 2-hour fire separation wall extending not less than 30 inches (762 mm) above and to the sides of the storage area is provided.

#### (8) Any amount of radioactive material for which a specific license from the Nuclear Regulatory Commission is required; or

#### HAZARD COMMUNICATION

**407.1 General.** The provisions of Sections 407.2 through 407.7 shall be applicable where hazardous materials subject to permits under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7 or LHU registration under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.4 are located on the premises or where required by the fire code official.

**407.2 Material Safety Data Sheets.** Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for all hazardous materials shall be readily available on the premises.

**407.3 Identification.** Individual containers of hazardous materials, cartons or packages shall be marked or labeled in accordance with applicable federal regulations. Buildings, rooms and spaces containing hazardous materials shall be identified by hazard warning signs in accordance with Section 2703.5.

**407.4 Training.** Persons responsible for the operation of areas in which hazardous materials are stored, dispensed, handled or used shall be familiar with the chemical nature of the materials and the

appropriate mitigating actions necessary in the event of a fire, leak or spill. Responsible persons shall be designated and trained to be liaison personnel for the fire department. These persons shall aid the fire department in preplanning emergency responses and identification of the locations where hazardous materials are located, and shall have access to Material Safety Data Sheets and be knowledgeable in the site emergency response procedures.

**407.5 Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement (HMIS) in accordance with Section 2701.5.2.

**407.6 Hazardous Materials Management Plan.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Management Plan (HMMP) in accordance with Section 2701.5.1. The fire code official is authorized to accept a similar plan required by other regulations.

**407.7 Facility closure plans.** The permit holder or applicant shall submit to the fire code official a facility closure plan in accordance with Section 2701.6.3 to terminate storage, dispensing, handling or use of hazardous materials.

**2707.1 Scope.** Unless preempted by the requirements of any federal, state or local agency, this chapter shall apply to the storage of radioactive materials, except that this chapter shall not apply to units generating induced radioactivity, such as X-ray machines and accelerators capable of immediate shutdown. Radioactive materials shall be used, stored and handled in an approved manner minimizing the personnel hazards and property damage by radioactive contamination resulting from fires and explosions.

**2707.2 Maximum amounts.** The maximum amount of radioactive material stored in one control area shall either be 25 REM whole-body short-term (1 hour or less) radiation dose from an unsealed source or 100 REM whole-body short-term (1 hour or less) radiation dose from a sealed source.

**2707.3 Definitions.** The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this chapter and as stated elsewhere in this code, have the meanings shown herein.

**RADIOACTIVEMATERIAL.** Any material or combination of materials that spontaneously emits ionizing radiation.

**SEALED SOURCE.** A quantity of radiation enclosed to prevent the escape of any radioactive material, but at the same time permitting radiation to come out for use.

**2707.4 Maintenance.** All storage areas of radioactive materials in any quantity shall comply with Sections 2707.4.1 through 2707.6.

**2707.4.1 Signs.** Durable and clearly visible signs warning of radiation dangers shall be provided at all entrances to areas or rooms where radioactive materials are used or stored. Additionally, each container in which radioactive materials are used, stored or transported shall bear the three-bladed radiation symbol in magenta or purple on a yellow background.

**2707.4.1.1 Signs not required.** Signs are not required for storage of manufactured articles other than liquids, such as instruments, clock dials, electronic tubes or apparatus in which radioactive materials are a component part, and luminous compounds, where securely packed in strong containers, provided the gamma radiation at any surface of the package is less than 10 milliroentgen in 24 hours.

**2707.5 Containers.** When not in use, radioactive materials shall be kept in adequately shielded fire-resistant containers designed such that the gamma radiation will not exceed 200 milliroentgen per hour or equivalent at any point on the container surface to which ready access is provided.

**2707.6 Outside storage.** Outside storage of radioactive materials shall not be permitted within 25 feet (7620 mm) of an interior lot line, publicway, exit discharge or exterior wall opening. The separation distance shall not apply where a 2-hour fire separation wall extending not less than 30 inches (762 mm) above and to the sides of the storage area is provided.

#### (9) More than 10 pounds of flammable solids.

#### HAZARD COMMUNICATION

**407.1 General.** The provisions of Sections 407.2 through407.7 shall be applicable where hazardous materials subject to permits under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7 or LHU registration under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.4 are located on the premises or where required by the fire code official.

**407.2 Material Safety Data Sheets.** Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for all hazardous materials shall be readily available on the premises.

**407.3 Identification.** Individual containers of hazardous materials, cartons or packages shall be marked or labeled in accordance with applicable federal regulations. Buildings, rooms and spaces containing hazardous materials shall be identified by hazard warning signs in accordance with Section 2703.5.

**407.4 Training.** Persons responsible for the operation of areas in which hazardous materials are stored, dispensed, handled or used shall be familiar with the chemical nature of the materials and the appropriate mitigating actions necessary in the event of a fire, leak or spill. Responsible persons shall be designated and trained to be liaison personnel for the fire department. These persons shall aid the fire

department in preplanning emergency responses and identification of the locations where hazardous materials are located, and shall have access to Material Safety Data Sheets and be knowledgeable in the site emergency response procedures.

**407.5 Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement (HMIS) in accordance with Section 2701.5.2.

**407.6 Hazardous Materials Management Plan.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Management Plan (HMMP) in accordance with Section 2701.5.1. The fire code official is authorized to accept a similar plan required by other regulations.

**407.7 Facility closure plans.** The permit holder or applicant shall submit to the fire code official a facility closure plan in accordance with Section 2701.6.3 to terminate storage, dispensing, handling or use of hazardous materials.

#### DEFINITIONS

**3602.1 Definitions.** The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this chapter and as used elsewhere in this code, have the meanings shown herein.

**FLAMMABLE SOLID.** A solid, other than a blasting agent or explosive, that is capable of causing fire through friction, absorption or moisture, spontaneous chemical change, or retained heat from manufacturing or processing, or which has an ignition temperature below 212°F (100°C) or which burns so vigorously and persistently when ignited as to create a serious hazard. A chemical shall be considered a flammable solid as determined in accordance with the test method of CPSC 16 CFR; Part 1500.44, if it ignites and burns with a self-sustained flame at a rate greater than 0.1 inch (2.5 mm) per second along its major axis.

#### **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS**

**3603.1** Quantities not exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area. The storage and use of flammable solids in amounts not exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area as indicated in Section 2703.1 shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703 and 3601.

**3603.2 Quantities exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area.** The storage and use of flammable solids exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area as indicated in Section 2703.1 shall be in accordance with Chapter 27 and this chapter.

#### STORAGE

**3604.1 Indoor storage.** Indoor storage of flammable solids in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Table 2703.1.1(1) shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703, 2704 and this chapter.

**3604.1.1 Pile size limits and location.** Flammable solids stored in quantities greater than 1,000 cubic feet (28 m3) shall be separated into piles each not larger than 1,000 cubic feet (28 m3).

**3604.1.2** Aisles. Aisle widths between piles shall not be less than the height of the piles or 4 feet (1219 mm), whichever is greater.

**3604.1.3 Basement storage.** Flammable solids shall not be stored in basements.

**3604.2 Outdoor storage.** Outdoor storage of flammable solids in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantities per control area indicated in Table 2703.1.1(3) shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703, 2704 and this chapter. Outdoor storage of magnesium shall be in accordance with Section 3606.

**3604.2.1 Distance from storage to exposures.** Outdoor storage of flammable solids shall not be located within 20 feet (6096 mm) of a building, lot line, public street, public alley, public way or means of egress. A 2-hour fire barrier without openings or penetrations and extending 30 inches (762 mm) above and to the sides of the storage area is allowed in lieu of such distance. The wall shall either be an independent structure, or the exterior wall of the building adjacent to the storage area.

**3604.2.2 Pile size limits.** Outdoor storage of flammable solids shall be separated into piles not larger than 5,000 cubic feet (141 m3) each. Piles shall be separated by aisles with a minimum width of not less than one-half the pile height or 10 feet (3048 mm), whichever is greater.

#### USE

**3605.1 General.** The use of flammable solids in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area indicated in Table 2703.1.1(1) or 2703.1.1(3) shall be in accordance with Sections 2701, 2703, 2705 and this chapter. The use of magnesium shall be in accordance with Section 3606.

#### <u>v. The melting, casting, heat treating, machining or grinding of more than 10</u> pounds of magnesium per working day.

HAZARD COMMUNICATION

**407.1 General.** The provisions of Sections 407.2 through 407.7 shall be applicable where hazardous materials subject to permits under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.7 or LHU registration under N.J.A.C. 5:70-2.4 are located on the premises or where required by the fire code official.

**407.2 Material Safety Data Sheets.** Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for all hazardous materials shall be readily available on the premises.

**407.3 Identification.** Individual containers of hazardous materials, cartons or packages shall be marked or labeled in accordance with applicable federal regulations. Buildings, rooms and spaces containing hazardous materials shall be identified by hazard warning signs in accordance with Section 2703.5.

**407.4 Training.** Persons responsible for the operation of areas in which hazardous materials are stored, dispensed, handled or used shall be familiar with the chemical nature of the materials and the appropriate mitigating actions necessary in the event of a fire, leak or spill. Responsible persons shall be designated and trained to be liaison personnel for the fire department. These persons shall aid the fire department in preplanning emergency responses and identification of the locations where hazardous materials are located, and shall have access to Material Safety Data Sheets and be knowledgeable in the site emergency response procedures.

**407.5 Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement (HMIS) in accordance with Section 2701.5.2.

**407.6 Hazardous Materials Management Plan.** Where required by the fire code official, each application for a permit shall include a Hazardous Materials Management Plan (HMMP) in accordance with Section 2701.5.1. The fire code official is authorized to accept a similar plan required by other regulations.

**407.7 Facility closure plans.** The permit holder or applicant shall submit to the fire code official a facility closure plan in accordance with Section 2701.6.3 to terminate storage, dispensing, handling or use of hazardous materials.

#### DEFINITIONS

**3602.1 Definitions.** The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this chapter and as used elsewhere in this code, have the meanings shown herein.

**MAGNESIUM.** The pure metal and alloys, of which the major part is magnesium.

**3606.1 General.** Storage, use, handling and processing of magnesium, including the pure metal and alloys of which the major part is magnesium, shall be in accordance with Chapter 27 and Sections 3602.2 through 3606.8.

**3606.2 Storage of magnesium articles.** The storage of magnesium shall comply with Sections 3606.2.1 through 3606.4.3.

**3606.2.1 Storage of greater than 50 cubic feet.** Magnesium storage in quantities greater than 50 cubic feet (1.4m3) shall be separated from storage of other materials that are either combustible or in combustible containers by aisles. Piles shall be separated by aisles with a minimum width of not less than the pile height.

**3606.2.2 Storage of greater than 1,000 cubic feet.** Magnesium storage in quantities greater than 1,000 cubic feet (28 m3) shall be separated into piles not larger than 1,000 cubic feet (28 m3) each. Piles shall be separated by aisles with a minimum width of not less than the pile height. Such storage shall not be located in non-sprinklered buildings of Type III, IV or V construction, as defined in the building sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**3606.2.3 Storage in combustible containers or within 30 feet of other combustibles.** Where in nonsprinklered buildings of Type III, IV or V construction, as defined in the building sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*, magnesium shall not be stored in combustible containers or within 30 feet (9144 mm) of other combustibles.

**3606.2.4 Storage in foundries and processing plants.** The size of storage piles of magnesium articles in foundries and processing plants shall not exceed 1,250 cubic feet (25 m3). Piles shall be separated by aisles with a minimum width of not less than one-half the pile height.

**3606.3 Storage of pigs, ingots and billets.** The storage of magnesium pigs, ingots and billets shall comply with Sections 3606.3.1 and 3606.3.2.

**3606.3.1 Indoor storage.** Indoor storage of pigs, ingots and billets shall only be on floors of noncombustible construction. Piles shall not be larger than 500,000 pounds (226.8 metric tons) each. Piles shall be separated by aisles with a minimum width of not less than one-half the pile height.

**3606.3.2 Outdoor storage.** Outdoor storage of magnesium pigs, ingots and billets shall be in piles not exceeding 1,000,000 pounds (453.6 metric tons) each. Piles shall be separated by aisles with a minimum width of not less than one-half the pile height. Piles shall be separated from combustible materials or buildings on the same or adjoining property by a distance of not less than the height of the nearest pile.

**3606.4 Storage of fine magnesium scrap.** The storage of scrap magnesium shall comply with Sections 3606.4.1 through 3606.4.3.

**3606.4.1 Separation.** Magnesium fines shall be kept separate from other combustible materials.

**3606.4.2 Storage of 50 to 1,000 cubic feet.** Storage of fine magnesium scrap in quantities greater than 50 cubic feet (1.4 m3) [six 55-gallon (208 L) steel drums] shall be separated from other occupancies by an open space of at least 50 feet (15 240 mm) or by a fire barrier constructed in accordance with the building sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**3606.4.3 Storage of greater than 1,000 cubic feet.** Storage of fine magnesium scrap in quantities greater than 1,000 cubic feet (28m3) shall be separated from all buildings other than those used for magnesium scrap recovery operations by a distance of not less than 100 feet (30 480 mm).

**3606.5 Use of magnesium.** The use of magnesium shall comply with Sections 3606.5.1 through 3606.5.8.

**3606.5.1 Melting pots.** Floors under and around melting pots shall be of noncombustible construction.

**3606.5.2 Heat-treating ovens.** Approved means shall be provided for control of magnesium fires in heat-treating ovens.

**3606.5.3 Dust collection.** Magnesium grinding, buffing and wire-brushing operations, other than rough finishing of castings, shall be provided with approved hoods or enclosures for dust collection which are connected to a liquid- precipitation type of separator that converts dust to sludge without contact (in a dry state) with any high-speed moving parts.

**3606.5.3.1 Duct construction.** Connecting ducts or suction tubes shall be completely grounded, as short as possible, and without bends. Ducts shall be fabricated and assembled with a smooth interior, with internal lap joints pointing in the direction of airflow and without unused capped side outlets, pockets or other dead-end spaces which allow an accumulation of dust.

**3606.5.3.2 Independent dust separators.** Each machine shall be equipped with an individual dust-separating unit.

#### **Exceptions:**

One separator is allowed to serve two dust-producing units on multiunit machines.
One separator is allowed to serve not more than four portable dust-producing units in a single enclosure or stand.

**3606.5.4 Power supply interlock.** Power supply to machines shall be interlocked with exhaust airflow, and liquid pressure level or flow. The interlock shall be designed to shut down the machine it serves when the dust removal or separator system is not operating properly.

**3606.5.5 Electrical equipment.** Electric wiring, fixtures and equipment in the immediate vicinity of and attached to dust-producing machines, including those used in connection with separator equipment, shall be of approved types and shall be approved for use in Class II, Division 1 hazardous locations in accordance with the electrical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**3606.5.6 Grounding.** Equipment shall be securely grounded by permanent ground wires in accordance with the electrical sub-code of the *Uniform Construction Code*.

**3606.5.7 Fire-extinguishing materials.** Fire-extinguishing materials shall be provided for every operator performing machining, grinding or other processing operation on magnesium as follows:

1. Within 30 feet (9144 mm), a supply of extinguishing materials in an approved container with a hand scoop or shovel for applying the material; or

2. Within 75 feet (22 860 mm), a portable fire extinguisher complying with Section 906. All extinguishing materials shall be approved for use on magnesium fires. Where extinguishing materials are stored in cabinets or other enclosed areas, the enclosures shall be openable without the use of a key or special knowledge.

**3606.5.8 Collection of chips, turnings and fines.** Chips, turnings and other fine magnesium scrap shall be collected from the pans or spaces under machines and from other places where they collect at least once each working day. Such material shall be placed in a covered, vented steel container and removed to an approved location.