RHODE ISLAND GOVERNMENT REGISTER PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

BUILDING CODE COMMISSION

Title of Rule: Rhode Island Swimming Pool and Spa Code

Rule Identifier: 510-RICR-00-00-14

Rulemaking Action: Proposed Amendment

Important Dates:

Date of Public Notice: 04/09/2021 End of Public Comment: 05/10/2021

Authority for this Rulemaking:

R.I. Gen. Laws § Chapter 23-27.3

Summary of Rulemaking Action:

RISBC-14 State Swimming Pool and Spa sets forth Rhode Island amendments to the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code (ISPSC), 2018 edition, and incorporates the ISPSC 2018 into the Rhode Island State Building Code.

- Numerous punctuation and grammatical changes have been made throughout that do not result in substantive changes to the regulation.
- All references to the ISPSC 2015 have been changed to the 2018 edition. Some ISPSC section numbers have been amended to conform to ISPSC 2018.
- Throughout the regulation: updated internal cross-references with new RICR citations and references to the 2021 version for all Parts in Title 510 being amended this year.
- Chapter 1 Administration: Adds that the Provisions of the Rhode Island Swimming Pool and Spa Code SBC-14 (Part 14 of this Subchapter) shall apply whenever the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code is referenced.

Additional Information and Comments:

All interested parties are invited to request additional information or submit written or oral comments concerning the proposed amendment until May 10, 2021 by contacting the appropriate party at the address listed below:

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In accordance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-2.8, an oral hearing will be granted if requested by twenty-five (25) persons, by an agency or by an association having at least twenty-five (25) members. A request for an oral hearing must be made within thirty (30) days of this notice.

Regulatory Analysis Summary and Supporting Documentation:

Building codes have a significant impact on the state. The following economic analysis will explain the process of regulatory development and the potential impacts that these regulations will have on Rhode Islanders. The construction standards in the state building codes impacts include:

- Safety, health, livability, and environmental impacts related to increased protective requirements;
- Building quality and resiliency impacts related to higher-quality construction and energy savings requirements;
- Construction cost impacts related to the cost of construction and compliance with the state building code requirements; and,
- Procedural and administrative impacts related to the management and application of the code requirements.

In the development of the proposed amendment consideration was given to: (1) alternative approaches; (2) overlap or duplication with other statutory and regulatory provisions; and (3) significant economic impact on small business. No alternative approach, duplication, or overlap was identified based upon available information. The complete regulatory analysis can be found here: http://www.ribcc.ri.gov/

For full regulatory analysis or supporting documentation see agency contact person above.