

**RHODE ISLAND GOVERNMENT REGISTER  
PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING**

**FIRE SAFETY CODE BOARD OF APPEAL AND REVIEW**

**Title of Rule:** RI Fire Code (450-RICR-00-00-7)

**Rule Identifier:** 450-RICR-00-00-7

**Rulemaking Action:** Proposed Amendment

**Important Dates:**

Date of Public Notice: 04/23/2021

End of Public Comment: 05/23/2021

**Authority for this Rulemaking:**

R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 23-28.1-2 and 23-28.3-3

**Summary of Rulemaking Action:**

To update the current editions of NFPA 1, *Fire Code* from the 2015 editions to the 2018 editions. In addition, all current Formal Interpretations and Blanket Variances to the existing editions have been incorporated.

**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 23, 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:**

After considering each of the proposed changes and the alternative means of achieving the goals of each provision, the Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal and Review has determined that the benefits of the proposed changes to the State Fire Safety Code justifies the cost of the proposed rule; and that the proposed rule will achieve the objectives of the authorizing statute in a more cost-effective manner, or

with greater net benefits, than other regulatory alternatives. See  
*REGULATORY ANALYSIS OF RI STATE FIRE SAFETY CODES*, February 2021.

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