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FIRE-RESISTIVE CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS FOR ONE-HOUR THROUGHOUT APARTMENT HOUSES AND HOTELS

Section 91.310.2.2 of the Los Angeles Building Code requires any apartment house or hotel three or more stories in height or more than 3000 square feet (279m²) of floor area above the first story to be of not less than one-hour fire-resistive construction throughout.

For underfloor spaces, this section shall be interpreted to permit the omission of the required one-hour protection in underfloor spaces, provided the maximum underfloor clearance from the ground surface plane to the floor joists does not exceed four feet (1219mm), and further provided that the access opening to such underfloor space does not exceed 24 inches (610mm) in any dimension.

All area separation walls and occupancy separation walls shall be fire-proofed in all attic and underfloor spaces.