

**7511.0315 SECTION 315, MISCELLANEOUS COMBUSTIBLE MATERIALS STORAGE.**

Subpart 1. **IFC Section 315.2.1.** IFC Section 315.2.1 is amended by adding a paragraph to read:

Where more restrictive clearances between sprinkler head deflectors and storage are required by the sprinkler listing or NFPA 13, the more restrictive clearances shall apply.

Subp. 2. **IFC Section 315.2.3.** IFC Section 315.2.3 is amended, and sections added, to read:

**315.2.3 Equipment rooms.** Combustible storage in boiler rooms, mechanical rooms, electrical equipment rooms and elevator equipment rooms shall be in accordance with sections 315.2.3.1 through 315.2.3.2. Storage not in conformance with these sections shall be removed or the condition abated. For purposes of sections 315.2.3 through 315.2.3.5, storage does not include materials necessary for the construction, maintenance, or operation of the equipment.

**315.2.3.1 Boiler rooms.** Storage in boiler and furnace rooms shall be neat and orderly. Access to electrical panels shall be maintained in accordance with Section 605.3. At least 36 inches (914 mm) shall be maintained for access to equipment. Combustible storage in boiler and furnace rooms shall be in accordance with Section 315.2.3.1.1 or 315.2.3.1.2.

**315.2.3.1.1 Boiler rooms with equipment at 400,000 BTU's per hour input or less.** Combustible storage is allowed in boiler and furnace rooms equipped throughout with an approved automatic fire-extinguishing system and where the fuel-fired equipment is 400,000 BTU's per hour input or less. No combustibile storage shall be within 36 inches (914 mm) of fuel-fired equipment.

**315.2.3.1.2 Boiler rooms with equipment over 400,000 BTU's per hour input.** Combustible storage is allowed in boiler and furnace rooms equipped throughout with an approved automatic fire-extinguishing system and where the fuel-fired equipment exceeds 400,000 BTU's per hour input. No storage shall be within 10 feet (3048 mm) of the boiler.

**315.2.3.2 Mechanical rooms.** Combustible storage is allowed in mechanical rooms with or without fuel-fired equipment when equipped throughout with an approved automatic fire-extinguishing system. Storage shall be neat and orderly. A 3-foot aisle shall be maintained to all equipment. No storage shall be allowed within 3 feet of fuel-fired equipment. Access to electrical service panels shall be maintained per Section 605.3.

**315.2.3.3 Electrical equipment rooms.** No combustibile storage or any other type of storage shall be allowed in electrical distribution equipment rooms.

**315.2.3.4 Elevator equipment rooms.** No combustible storage or any other type of storage shall be allowed in elevator equipment rooms or elevator machine rooms.

**315.2.3.5 Shafts.** No combustible storage shall be allowed in mechanical rooms such as penthouses with shafts open to multiple floors.

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