



Statewide Code Interpretation

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No: 2011 ORC Sections 301.1.1.1 and 303.1

Code Section: Oregon Reach Code (ORC), Section 301.1.1 and 303.1, Exception

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Subject: Passive House Standard

Question: Does the Passive House Standard meet the intent of the Reach Code?

Answer: Yes. A building constructed to the Passive House Standard meets the energy efficiency requirements of the Reach Code.

Analysis: The Passive House Standard meets the intent of the electives and energy reduction requirements of the Oregon Reach Code. Structures built to the Passive House Standard meet requirements of Section 303 and Chapter 6 without additional documentation or compliance with project electives.

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