

Notes to Part 2

Objectives

A-2.1.1.2.(6) Application of Environment Objective. Objective OE, Environment (including its sub-objectives), is attributed to the requirements in Section 9.36. of Division B, which address energy efficiency for small residential buildings and certain small non-residential and mixed-use buildings (see Article 9.36.1.3. of Division B). The objectives, functional statements and energy efficiency requirements for larger Part 9 residential buildings as well as for non-residential buildings whose combined total floor area exceeds 300 m² and some mixed-use buildings are addressed in the National Energy Code for Buildings.

A-2.2.1.1.(1) Objectives.

Listing of objectives

Any gaps in the numbering sequence of the objectives are due to the fact that there is a master list of objectives covering the principal Code Documents – the British Columbia Building Code Book I: General, British Columbia Building Code Book II: Plumbing Systems, and the British Columbia Fire Code – but not all objectives are pertinent to all Codes.

The building

Where the term “the building” is used in the wording of the objectives, it refers to the building for which compliance with the British Columbia Building Code is being assessed.

Emergency

The term “emergency” – in the context of safety in buildings – is often equated to the term “fire emergency;” however, the wording of objectives OS3.7 and OS5.9 makes it clear that the Code addresses any type of emergency that would require the rapid evacuation of the building, such as a bomb threat or the presence of intruders.