

DEAN Scene

Customer Newsletter

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New Florida Building Code Effective in June

~Nan Dean, President

It is the kind of announcement that no one really wants to hear... The 5th Edition of the Florida Building Code (2014) becomes effective on June 30, 2015. The new code is available for purchase now and can also be viewed as a draft for free at through the FBC website at www.floridabuilding.org.

5th FBC is based on the 2012 edition of the International Building Code and many of the changes between the 2010 FBC and the 5th FBC are based on 2012 IBC changes and are not Florida specific. Chapters 7 – 10 have been heavily modified to be more in line with the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Code and fire wall changes and exit stair enclosure may be of interest to some.

There are a few changes in Chapter 15 – Roof Assemblies and Rooftop Structures Systems and Chapter 16 – Structural Design. Of note is that the "development" exception for exposure C has been removed and the seismic provisions were not deleted in this edition. The FBC web site has a code comparison that shows the significant changes in all the volumes of the code, including the major changes in Energy and Mechanical.

The FBC website has a wealth of free resources on the current code and previous versions. The site directs you to the IBC web site, but always start at FBC, because the links sometime get you into protected resources that you would not otherwise be able to access.

Next time, I'll tell you why the new edition is called Florida Building Code Fifth Edition (2014) and a little about how the Florida Building Commission creates a new edition of the code.

Employee Spotlight

Skip Scurry, 1973
Fort Myers Plant



Skip Scurry has been with Dean Steel Buildings since 1973. Charles Dean hired him as a young man to work in the paint shop. Forty-two years later, Skip remains one of the most knowledgeable members of the manufacturing team. He has worked in most departments in the company.

When asked what two or three words he'd want a customer to know about Dean Steel Buildings, he was quick to respond. "Quality, and On Time."

With his tenure and experience at Dean Steel Buildings, our customers can be assured of those sentiments.

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