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Building Code Interpretation
Egress 001

Common Path of Travel
with One Exit

Subject: Application of common path of travel requirements to buildings where only one exit is required	Date: March 3, 2008
San Francisco Building Code Sections: 101A.9.1, 1002.2, 1014.3, 1019.2, Table 1019.2	Code Year: 2007
Approved By: Isam Hasenin, Director, P.E., C.B.O. Barbara A. Schultheis, Fire Marshal	Signatures: 
Question: Do the common path of egress travel requirements of Section 1014.3 apply to buildings where only one exit is required?	

<p>Answer:</p> <p>No, the common path of egress travel requirements of Section 1014.3 do not apply to buildings where only one exit is required. Where only one exit is required to be provided from any building, the need to determine common path of egress travel distances for multiple exits is eliminated.</p> <p>This is in accordance with Section 101A9.1, Order of Precedence, which notes that where a specific provision varies from a general provision, the specific provision shall apply.</p> <p>This Code Application and Interpretation is subject to change at any time. To determine if this interpretation is still current, please call (415) 558-6205 or visit our website http://www.sfgov.org/site/dbi</p>
