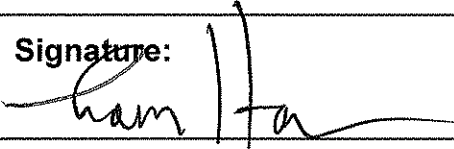


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**Building Code Interpretation
General 007**

R-3 Existing Window Replacement

Subject: Replacing existing windows in an R-3 building.	Date: May 27, 2008
San Francisco Building Code Sections: 704, 715, 3401.2, 3405; Tables 601, 602, 704.8	Code Year: 2007
Approved By: Isam Hasenin, P.E., C.B.O., Director	Signature: 
Question: What are the fire-resistive requirements, if any, for replacing existing windows in a Group R occupancy building?	

Answer: If the existing windows are not fire-rated, then replacement windows need not be fire-rated. If the window opening is enlarged, then the window would have to comply with all current code requirements.
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