



## INFORMATION SHEET

**NO. FS-06**

**DATE** : June 17, 2015  
**CATEGORY** : Fire Safety  
**SUBJECT** : **Fire Protection for Decks in Rear Yard**

**PURPOSE** : The purpose of this Information Sheet is to clarify the requirements of edge of deck protection parallel with the property line located at the rear yard.

**REFERENCE** : San Francisco Building Code

**DISCUSSION** : Deck in the rear yard represents an opening in the exterior wall line.

The fire separation distance (FSD) measured from property line for such openings are governed by Table 705.8, unless a one-hour fire-resistive wall is provided extending from the ground to 30" above the roof of the deck.

Without a fire-resistive wall, fire separation distance of deck from the property line shall be as follows:

1. For R3 building, FSD = 3 feet or more.
2. For R2 building, FSD = 5 feet or more.

NOTE: Contact Supervisor or Manager for deviation from above procedure and special case.

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