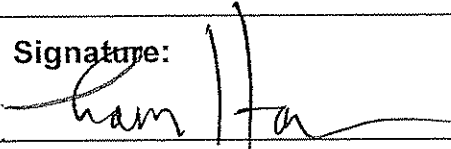


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**Building Code Interpretation  
General 007**

***R-3 Existing Window Replacement***

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

<b>Answer:</b> 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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