

SECTION 1023 EXIT PASSAGEWAYS

1023.1 Exit passageway. *Exit passageways* serving as an *exit* component in a *means of egress* system shall comply with the requirements of this section. An *exit passageway* shall not be used for any purpose other than as a *means of egress*.

1023.2 Width. The width of *exit passageways* shall be determined as specified in Section 1005.1 but such width shall not be less than 44 inches (1118 mm), except that *exit passageways* serving an *occupant load* of less than 50 shall not be less than 36 inches (914 mm) in width. The required width of *exit passageways* shall be unobstructed.

Exception: Doors complying with Section 1005.2.

1023.3 Construction. *Exit passageway* enclosures shall have walls, floors and ceilings of not less than 1-hour *fire-resistance rating*, and not less than that required for any connecting *exit enclosure*. *Exit passageways* shall be constructed as *fire barriers* in accordance with Section 707 or *horizontal assemblies* constructed in accordance with Section 712, or both.

1023.4 Termination. *Exit passageways* shall terminate at an *exit discharge* or a *public way*.

1023.5 Openings and penetrations. *Exit passageway* opening protectives shall be in accordance with the requirements of Section 715.

Except as permitted in Section 402.4.6, openings in *exit passageways* other than exterior openings shall be limited to those necessary for *exit access* to the *exit passageway* from normally occupied spaces and for egress from the *exit passageway*.

Where an *exit enclosure* is extended to an *exit discharge* or a *public way* by an *exit passageway*, the *exit passageway* shall also comply with Section 1022.2.1.

Elevators shall not open into an *exit passageway*.

1023.6 Penetrations. Penetrations into and openings through an *exit passageway* are prohibited except for required *exit* doors, equipment and ductwork necessary for independent pressurization, sprinkler piping, standpipes, electrical raceway for Civil Protection and Safety Department of Civil Defence communication and electrical raceway serving the *exit passageway* and terminating at a steel box not exceeding 16 square inches (0.010 m²). Such penetrations shall be protected in accordance with Section 713. There shall be no penetrations or communicating openings, whether protected or not, between adjacent *exit passageways*.

SECTION 1024 LUMINOUS EGRESS PATH MARKINGS

1024.1 General. *Approved* luminous egress path markings delineating the exit path shall be provided in buildings of Groups A, B, E, I, M and R-1 having occupied floors located more than 75 feet (22 860 mm) above the lowest level of Civil Protection and Safety Department of Civil Defence vehicle access in accordance with Sections 1024.1 through 1024.5.

Exceptions: