



# > Taking the Guesswork out of Mixed Use Building Analysis

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## ➤ Course Description

While mixed-use buildings—which combine multiple occupancy types and/or functions in a single structure—are common, determining how to apply their unique mix of code requirements can be a daunting task. To simplify code analysis associated with these buildings, this presentation covers logical, code-compliant steps for a number of topics, including determining allowable building size, separation needs, detailing requirements, and the application of special provisions. With an emphasis on the use of wood framing in Construction Types III, IV and V, examples, calculations, and details will be presented to demonstrate how to navigate the various code requirements associated with mixed-use buildings while maximizing building size and meeting fire and life safety needs.



## ➤ Learning Objectives

1. Review the basic fire and life safety requirements associated with mixed-use, wood-frame structures.
2. Become familiar with the differences between Construction Types III, IV and V as defined by the International Building Code.
3. Highlight options for determining allowable building size of mixed-use facilities, including separated and non-separated occupancies, incidental uses and podiums.
4. Demonstrate how to achieve separation of occupancies with fire barriers, fire walls and horizontal assemblies.



# **FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY**

**IBC**



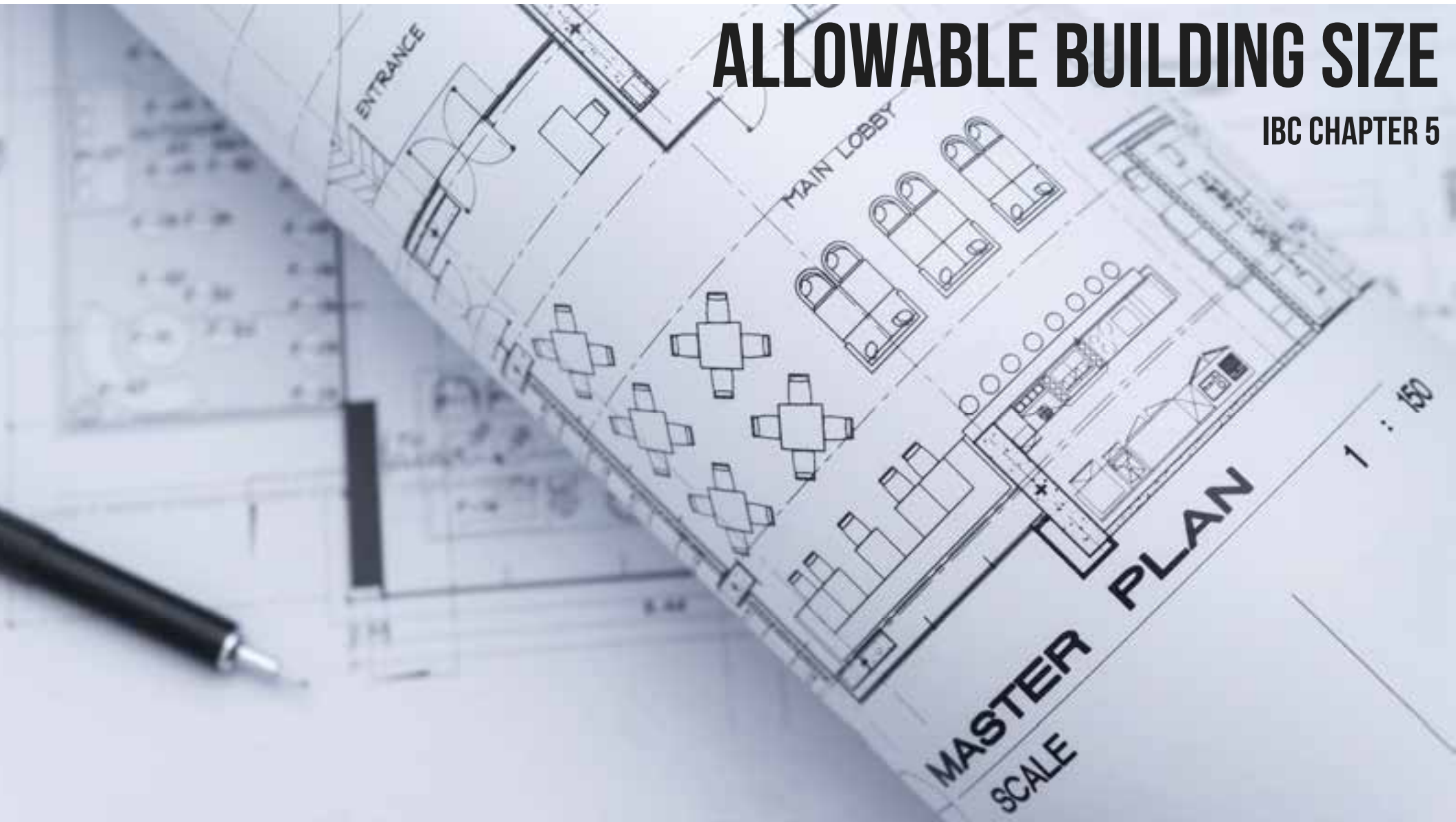
## **THE BUILDING CODE:**

- **CONTROLS BUILDING SIZE**
- **REGULATES TYPE OF MATERIALS USED**
- **STIPULATES FIRE RESISTANCE**



# ALLOWABLE BUILDING SIZE

IBC CHAPTER 5



**BUT...**

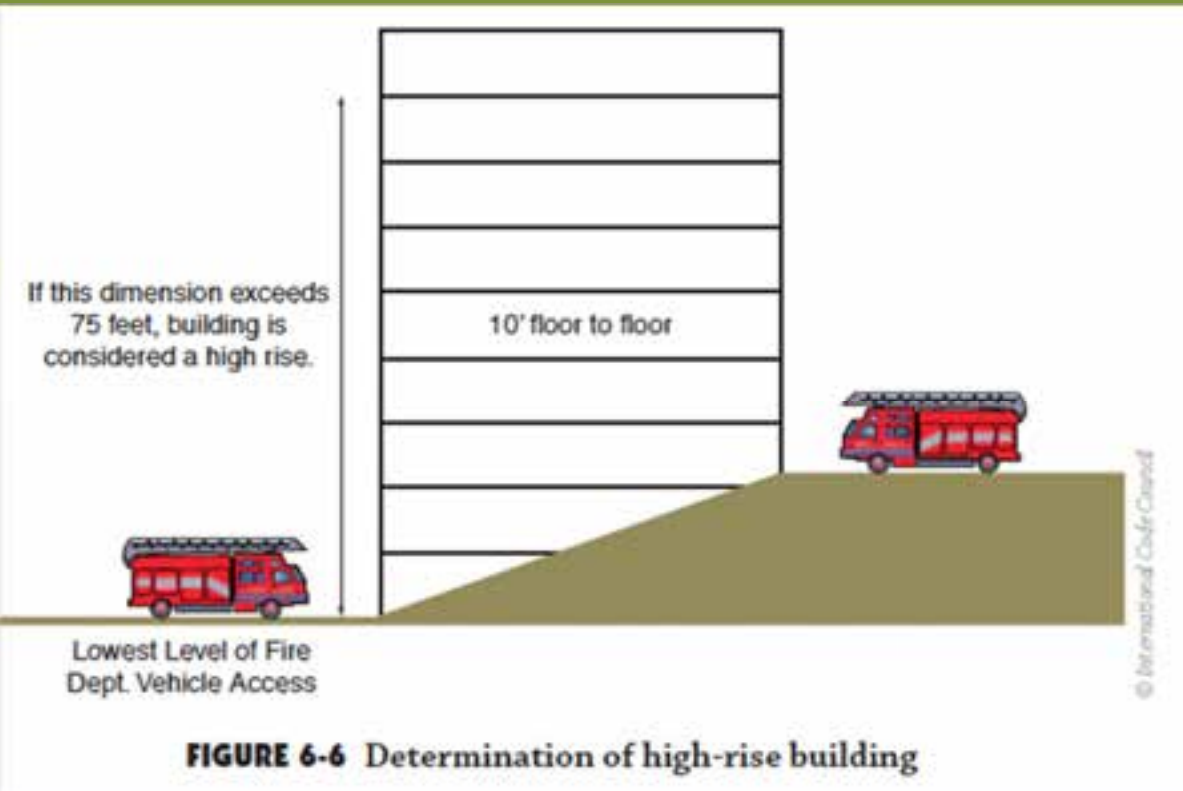
**THE CODE STILL ALLOWS FLEXIBILITY IN BUILDING DESIGN,  
CONFIGURATION, CONSTRUCTION TYPE, MATERIALS AND OTHER CHOICES**



# MID-RISE VS. HIGH-RISE

## IBC 202: HIGH-RISE BUILDING:

A building with an occupied floor located more than 75 feet above the lowest level of fire department vehicle access.





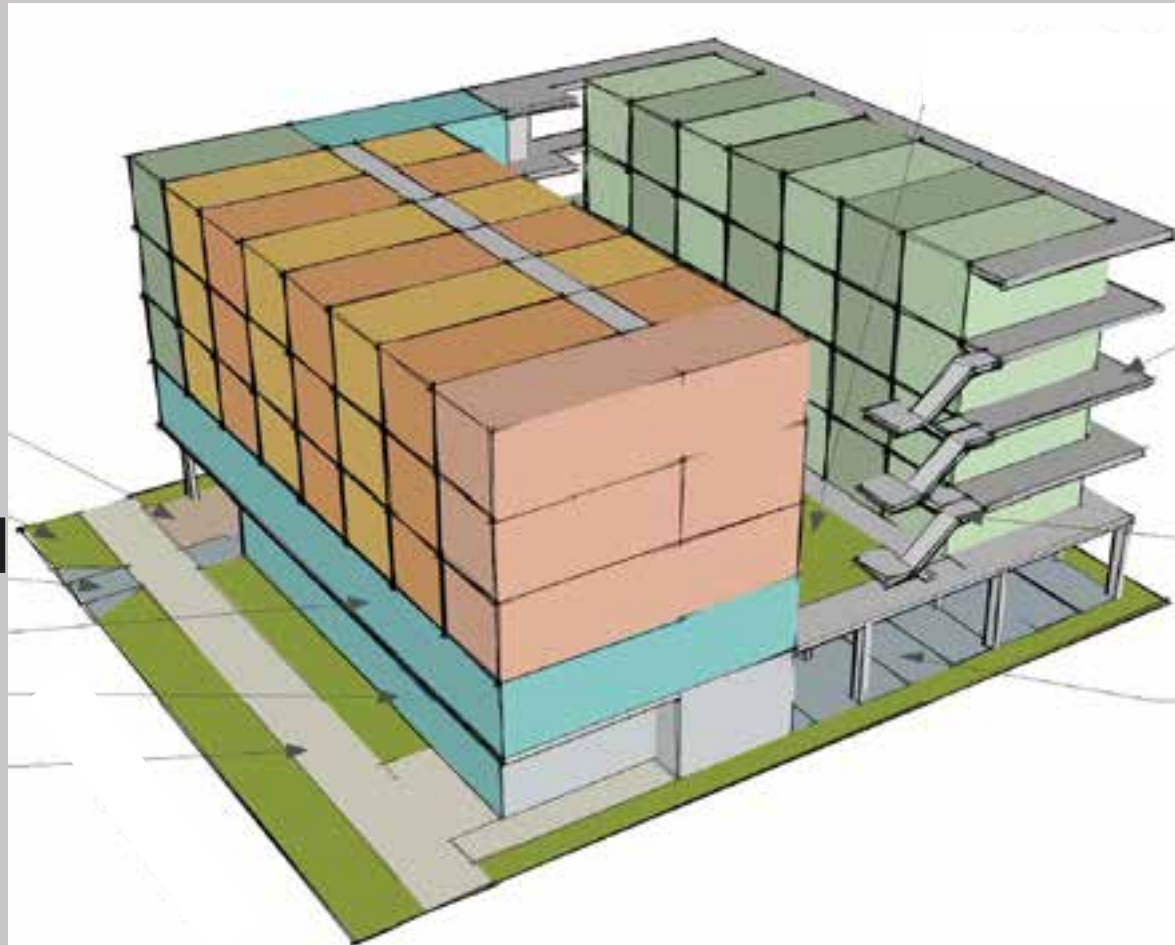
# BASE BUILDING SIZE

IBC TABLE 503 (2012 IBC)

GROUP		TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION								
		TYPE I		TYPE II		TYPE III		TYPE IV	TYPE V	
		A	B	A	B	A	B	HT	A	B
	HEIGHT (feet)	UL	160	65	55	65	55	65	50	40
		STORIES(S) AREA (A)								
A-1	S	UL	5	3	2	3	2	3	2	1
	A	UL	UL	15,500	8,500	14,000	8,500	15,000	11,500	5,500
A-2	S	UL	11	3	2	3	2	3	2	1
	A	UL	UL	15,500	9,500	14,000	9,500	15,000	11,500	6,000
A-3	S	UL	11	3	2	3	2	3	2	1
	A	UL	UL	15,500	9,500	14,000	9,500	15,000	11,500	6,000
A-4	S	UL	11	3	2	3	2	3	2	1
	A	UL	UL	15,500	9,500	14,000	9,500	15,000	11,500	6,000
A-5	S	UL	UL	UL	UL	UL	UL	UL	UL	UL
	A	UL	UL	UL	UL	UL	UL	UL	UL	UL
B	S	UL	11	5	3	5	3	5	3	2
	A	UL	UL	37,500	23,000	28,500	19,000	36,000	18,000	9,000
M	S	UL	11	4	2	4	2	4	3	1
	A	UL	UL	21,500	12,500	18,500	12,500	20,500	14,000	9,000

# BUILDING CONFIGURATION OPTIONS

**THERE ARE MULTIPLE WAYS TO CLASSIFY A BUILDING. CHALLENGE TRADITION AND CONSIDER ALL OPTIONS IN AN EFFORT TO ACHIEVE THE MOST COST EFFECTIVE SOLUTION**



# MIXED USE ...



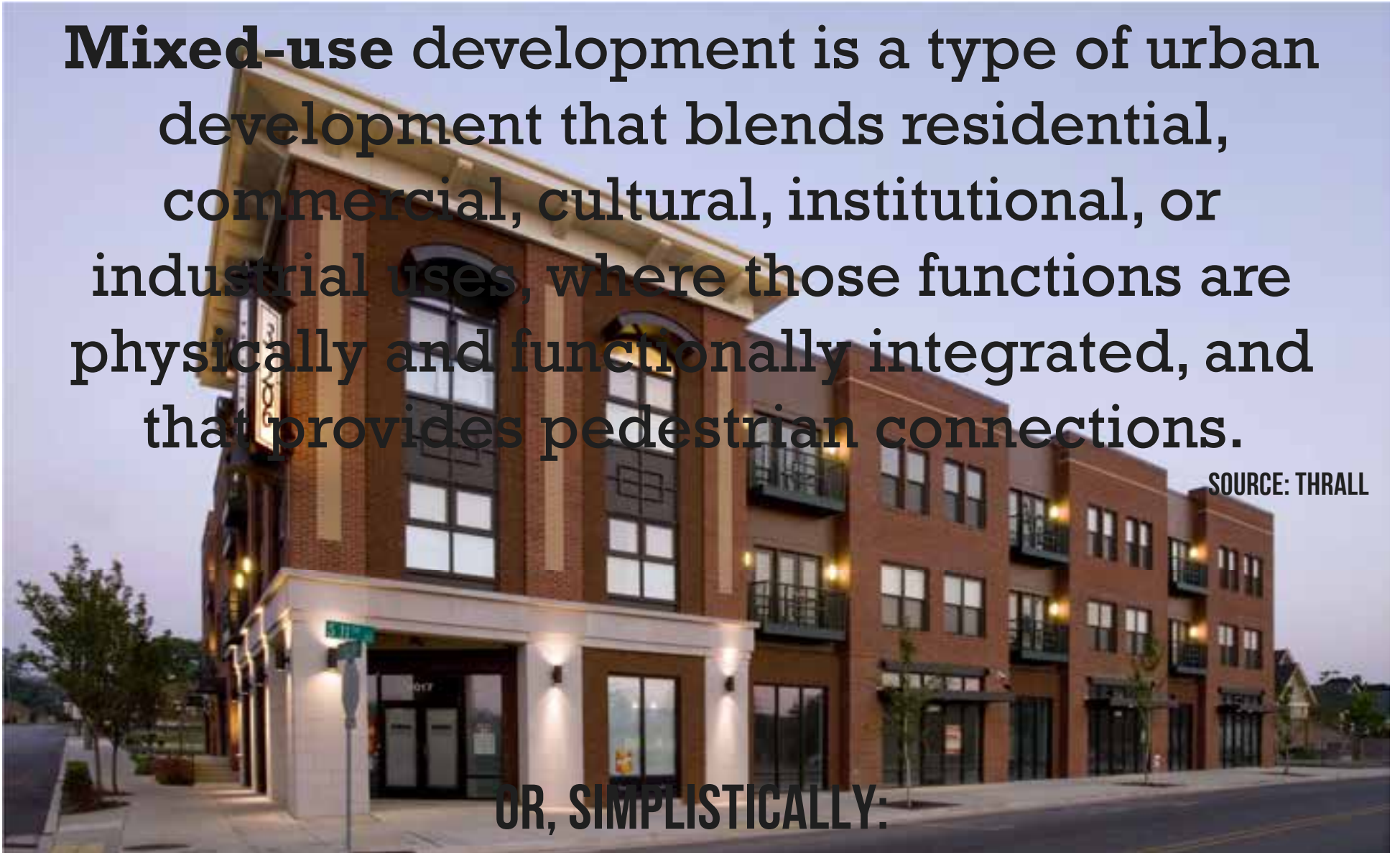
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**Mixed-use** development is a type of urban development that blends residential, commercial, cultural, institutional, or industrial uses, where those functions are physically and functionally integrated, and that provides pedestrian connections.

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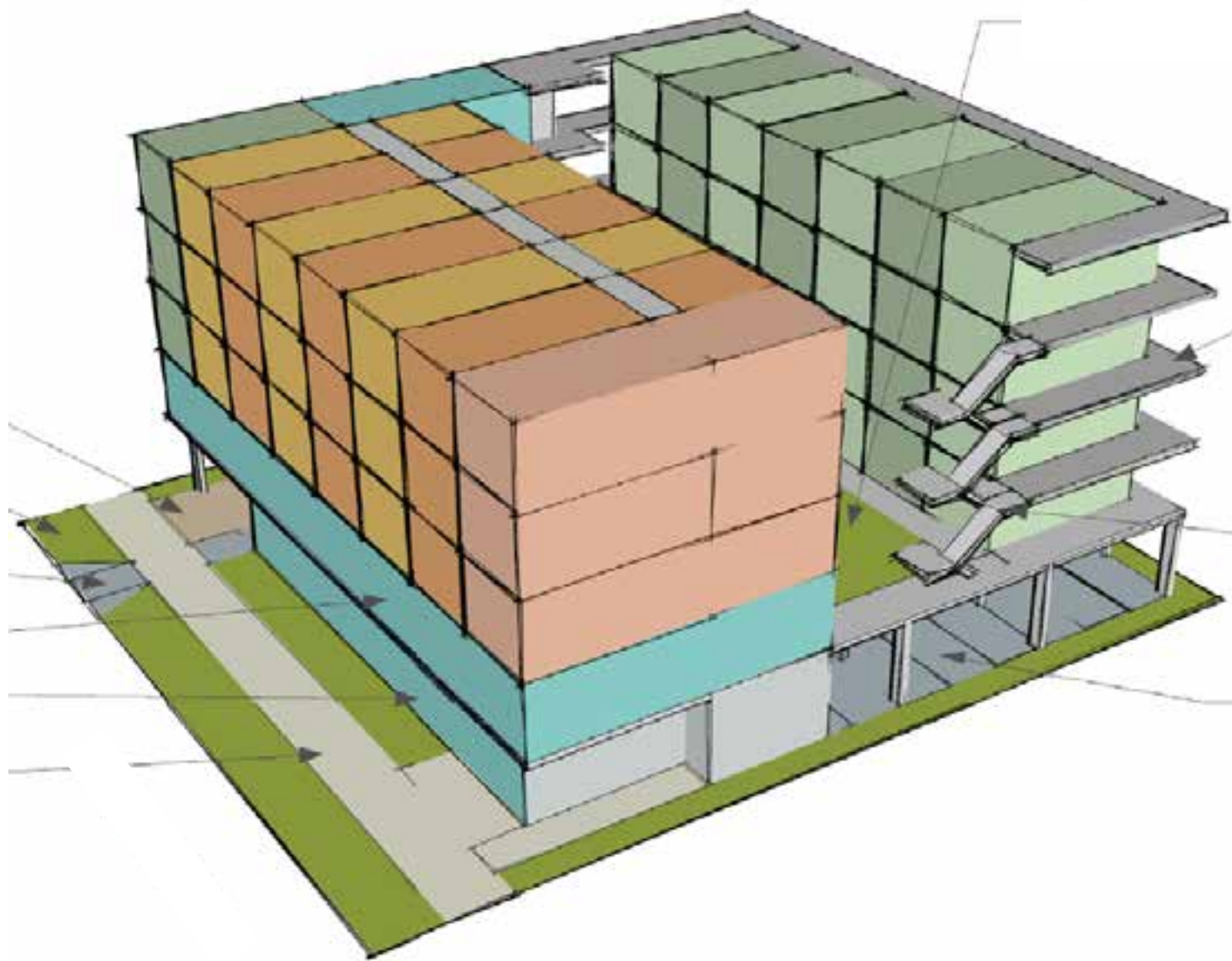
**OR, SIMPLISTICALLY:**



# **BUILDING WITH MORE THAN ONE OCCUPANCY GROUP OR INTENDED FUNCTION**









# BUILDING CONFIGURATION OPTIONS

**MANY BUILDINGS UTILIZE A HIGHER CONSTRUCTION TYPE THAN NECESSARY DUE TO TRADITIONAL PRACTICE. THIS CAN HAVE AN IMPACT ON FIRE RATINGS, MATERIALS AND ULTIMATELY COST.**



# ALLOWABLE BUILDING SIZE

IN LOW- TO MID-RISE BUILDING TYPES, MANY DESIGNERS ACCUSTOMED TO STEEL & CONCRETE DEFAULT TO TYPE II CONSTRUCTION

However, nearly identical building size can be achieved with wood framing in Type IIIA or IIIB

Additionally, through market data analysis, have shown that majority of commercial & multi-family buildings can be type v construction

Why is the construction type selection so important?





# BASE BUILDING SIZE

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# CONSTRUCTION TYPES

## ALLOWABLE BUILDING HEIGHT

IBC 2015 TABLES 504.3 & 504.4

**TABLE 504.3\***  
**ALLOWABLE BUILDING HEIGHT IN FEET ABOVE GRADE PLANE**

OCCUPANCY CLASSIFICATION	TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION									
	SEE FOOTNOTES	TYPE I		TYPE II		TYPE III		TYPE IV	TYPE V	
		A	B	A	B	A	B	HT	A	B
A, B, E, F, M, S, U	NS <sup>b</sup>	UL	160	65	55	65	55	65	50	40
	S	UL	180	85	75	85	75	85	70	60

**TABLE 504.4<sup>a, b</sup>**  
**ALLOWABLE NUMBER OF STORIES ABOVE GRADE PLANE**

OCCUPANCY CLASSIFICATION	TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION									
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A-3	NS	UL	11	3	2	3	2	3	2	1
	S	UL	12	4	3	4	3	4	3	2
A-4	NS	UL	11	3	2	3	2	3	2	1
	S	UL	12	4	3	4	3	4	3	2
E	NS	UL	5	3	2	3	2	3	1	1
	S	UL	6	4	3	4	3	4	2	2



# CONSTRUCTION TYPES

## ALLOWABLE FLOOR AREA

IBC 2015 TABLE 506.2

**TABLE 506.2<sup>a, b</sup>**  
**ALLOWABLE AREA FACTOR (A<sub>f</sub> = NS, S1, S13R, or SM, as applicable) IN SQUARE FEET**

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		A	B	A	B	A	B	HT	A	B
A-2	NS	UL	UL	15,500	9,500	14,000	9,500	15,000	11,500	6,000
	S1	UL	UL	62,000	38,000	56,000	38,000	60,000	46,000	24,000
	SM	UL	UL	46,500	28,500	42,000	28,500	45,000	34,500	18,000
A-3	NS	UL	UL	15,500	9,500	14,000	9,500	15,000	11,500	6,000
	S1	UL	UL	62,000	38,000	56,000	38,000	60,000	46,000	24,000
	SM	UL	UL	46,500	28,500	42,000	28,500	45,000	34,500	18,000
A-4	NS	UL	UL	15,500	9,500	14,000	9,500	15,000	11,500	6,000
	S1	UL	UL	62,000	38,000	56,000	38,000	60,000	46,000	24,000
	SM	UL	UL	46,500	28,500	42,000	28,500	45,000	34,500	18,000
E	NS	UL	UL	26,500	14,500	23,500	14,500	25,500	18,500	9,500
	S1	UL	UL	106,000	58,000	94,000	58,000	102,000	74,000	38,000
	SM	UL	UL	79,500	43,500	70,500	43,500	76,500	55,500	28,500

# ICC BUILDING VALUATION DATA, M OCCUPANCY BUILDINGS FEBRUARY 2017

Cost per SF

\$134



IA

\$128



IB

\$123



IIA

\$117



IIB

Construction Type

\$107



IIIA

\$104



IIIB

\$93



VA

\$89



VB



# CONSTRUCTION TYPE DIFFERENCES

	<b>IIIA</b>	<b>IIIB</b>	<b>IV</b>	<b>VA</b>	<b>VB</b>
<b>EXTERIOR WALL MATERIALS</b>	<b>FRTW</b>	<b>FRTW</b>	<b>FRTW</b>	<b>ANY WOOD</b>	<b>ANY WOOD</b>
<b>EXTERIOR BRNG WALL RATING</b>	<b>2 HR</b>	<b>2 HR</b>	<b>2 HR</b>	<b>1 HR</b>	<b>0 HR</b>
<b>INTERIOR ELEMENTS</b>	<b>ANY WOOD</b>	<b>ANY WOOD</b>	<b>HEAVY TIMBER</b>	<b>ANY WOOD</b>	<b>ANY WOOD</b>
<b>FIRE WALL MATERIALS</b>	<b>NON-COMBUSTIBLE</b>	<b>NON-COMBUSTIBLE</b>	<b>NON-COMBUSTIBLE</b>	<b>ANY</b>	<b>ANY</b>
<b>BUILDING SIZE</b>	<b>USUALLY 2<sup>ND</sup> LARGEST TYPICALLY SAME # OF STORIES AS IV BUT SMALLER AREA</b>	<b>COMPARABLE TO VA, LARGER IN SOME CASES, SMALLER IN OTHERS</b>	<b>USUALLY LARGEST TYPICALLY SAME # OF STORIES AS IIIA BUT LARGER AREA</b>	<b>COMPARABLE TO IIIB TYPICALLY 1-2 STORIES LESS THAN IIIA AND IV</b>	<b>SMALLEST TYPICALLY 1 STORY LESS THAN VA AND ½ TO 2/3 AREA OF VA</b>

# BUILDING CONFIGURATION OPTIONS

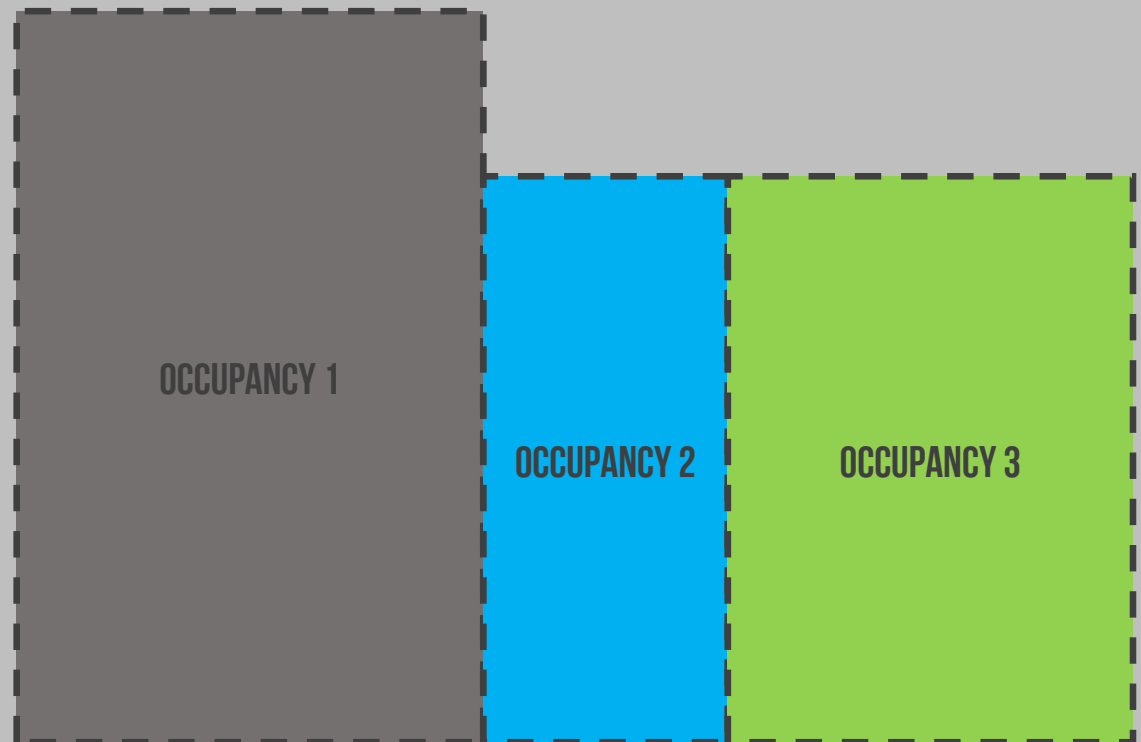
**START WITH THE LOWEST COMMON DENOMINATOR OPTION & WORK UP. DON'T ASSUME THAT A CERTAIN CONSTRUCTION TYPE, OCCUPANCY SEPARATION, ETC. WILL BE REQUIRED SIMPLY BASED ON USE OF CERTAIN MATERIALS OR PRESENCE OF CERTAIN OCCUPANCIES**





# MIXED OCCUPANCY BUILDINGS

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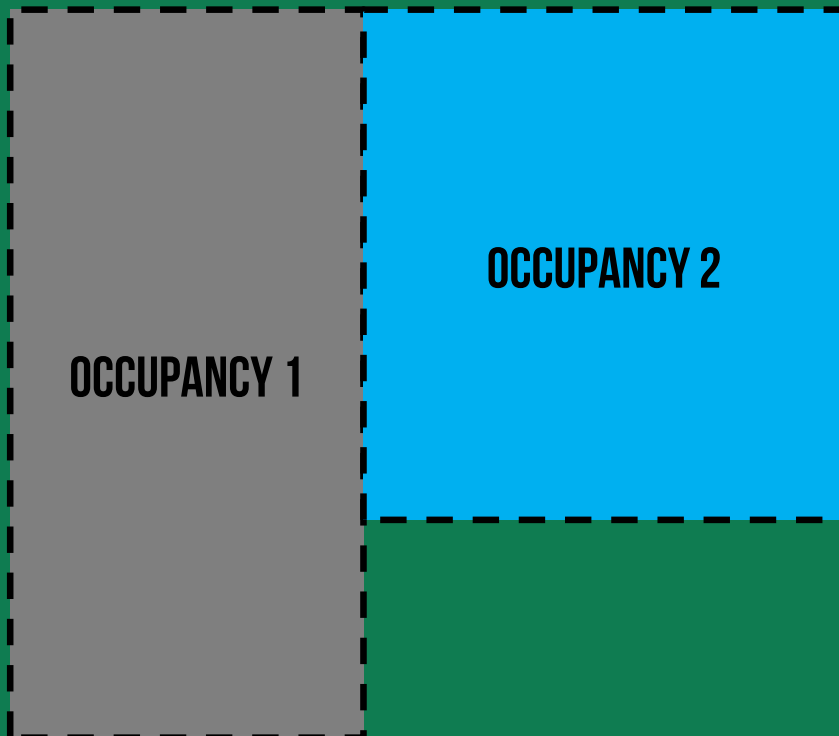
START WITH UNSEPARATED OCCUPANCIES, USING SPECIAL PROVISIONS AND/OR OTHER SPECIAL DESIGN ALLOWANCES AS NEEDED. WORK UP FROM THERE.



# ALLOWABLE BUILDING SIZE

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## NON-SEPARATED OCCUPANCIES



Most restrictive requirements of all occupancies apply for:

- Fire Protection Systems (Chapter 9)
- Allowable Height and Area

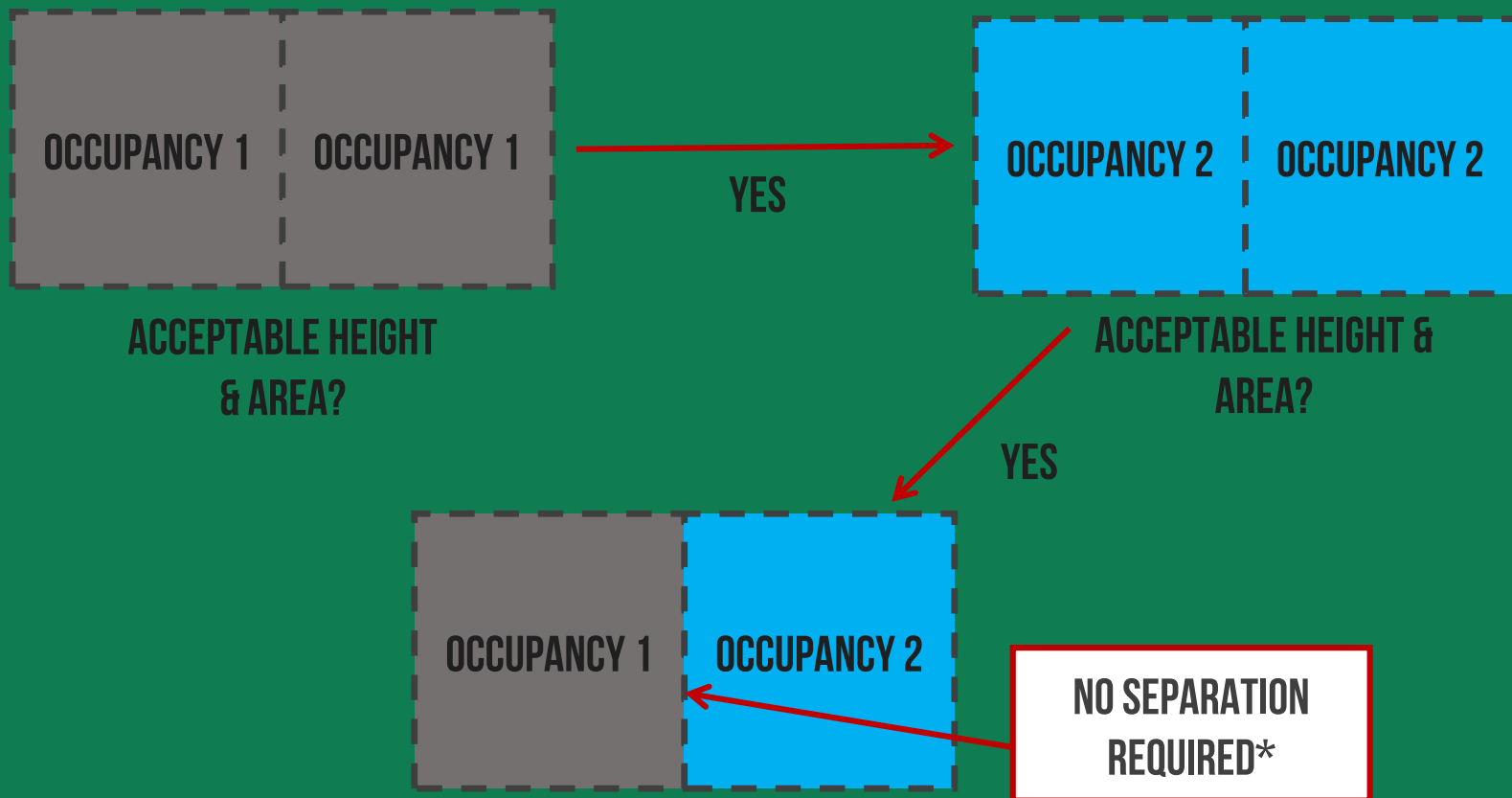
Other requirements for each portion based upon occupancy of that portion (i.e. egress, others)

No fire separation between occupancies required\*

\*Hazardous occupancies require separation.

# NON-SEPARATED OCCUPANCIES

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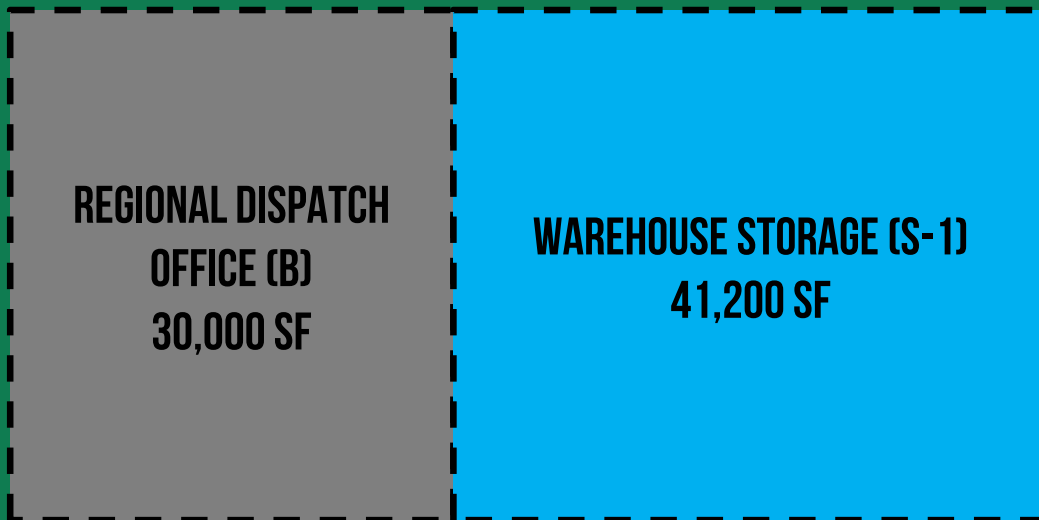




# ALLOWABLE BUILDING SIZE

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## NON-SEPARATED OCCUPANCIES EXAMPLE

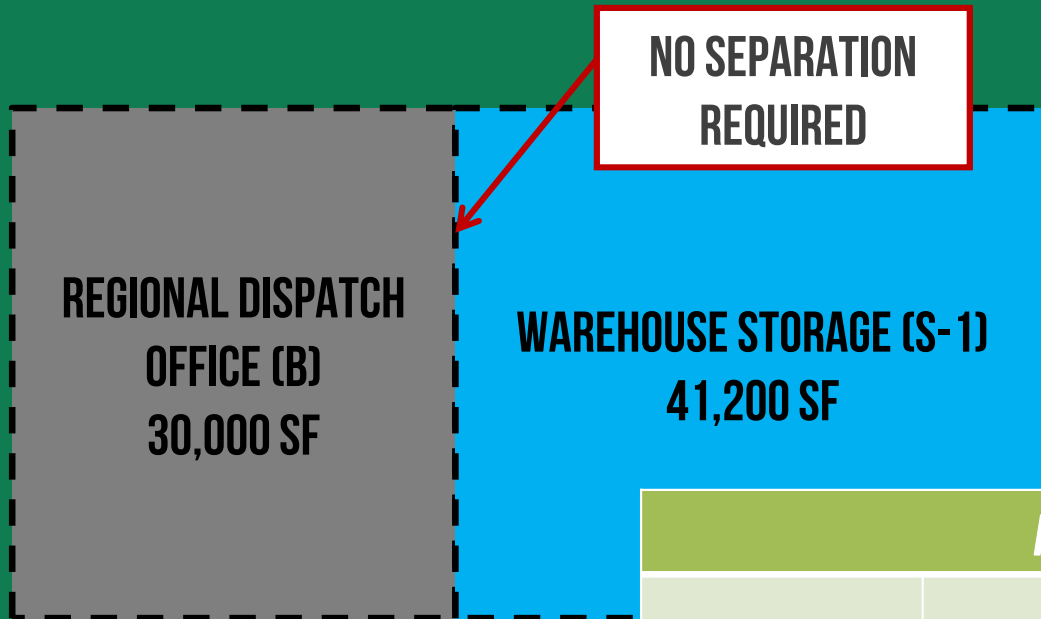


- 1 story building
- Total building area = 71,200 sf
- IBC section 903 does not require an automatic sprinkler in group B buildings but it does for S-1 buildings with fire area > 12,000 sf (903.2.9)
- NFPA 13 sprinkler required throughout building

# ALLOWABLE BUILDING SIZE

IBC 508

## NON-SEPARATED OCCUPANCIES EXAMPLE CONT'D



### CONSTRUCTION TYPE OPTIONS

- VB: INADEQUATE FOR BOTH
- VA: OK FOR B, INADEQUATE FOR S-1
- IIIB: OK FOR B, INADEQUATE FOR S-1
- IIIA: WORKS FOR BOTH, USE TYPE IIIA

ASSUMPTIONS:  
NFPA 13 SPRINKLER THROUGHOUT.  
NO FRONTAGE INCREASE.

ALLOWABLE 1 STORY BUILDING AREA				
	VB	VA	IIIB	IIIA
GROUP B	36,000 SF	72,000 SF	76,000 SF	114,000 SF
GROUP S-1	36,000 SF	56,000 SF	70,000 SF	104,000 SF

# MIXED OCCUPANCY BUILDINGS

IBC 508

## EXAMPLE: URBAN INFILL PROJECT

3 story building

1 story below grade: 12,000 sf parking

**1<sup>st</sup> floor**: 9,500 sf parking, 1,200 sf insurance agency, 1,300 sf print shop

**2<sup>nd</sup> floor**: 2,400 sf martial arts studio, 9,600 sf apartments

**3<sup>rd</sup> floor**: 12,000 sf apartments

NFPA 13 sprinkler system throughout building;  
enclosed parking garage, grade to mean roof height = 38 ft



# MIXED OCCUPANCY BUILDINGS

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PER IBC 503 & 506, BASEMENT DOES NOT NEED  
TO BE INCLUDED IN AREA AND STORY  
CALCULATIONS

	PARKING (S-2)	INSURANCE AGENCY (B)	PRINT SHOP (B)	MARTIAL ARTS STUDIO (B)	APARTMENTS (R-2)
3 <sup>RD</sup> FLOOR	-	-	-	-	12,000 SF
2 <sup>ND</sup> FLOOR	-	-	-	2,400 SF	9,600 SF
1 <sup>ST</sup> FLOOR	9,500 SF	1,200 SF	1,300 SF	-	-
BASEMENT	12,000 SF	-	-	-	-

# MIXED OCCUPANCY BUILDINGS

TRY TYPE VB CONSTRUCTION:

IBC 508

	S-2	B	R-2	ACTUAL BUILDING
ALLOW. # STORIES	3	3	3	3
ALLOW. HEIGHT	60 FT	60 FT	60 FT	38 FT
ALLOW. AREA/FLOOR	40,500 SF	27,000 SF	21,000 SF	12,000 SF
ALLOW. TOTAL AREA	121,500 SF	81,000 SF	63,000 SF	36,000 SF

MOST RESTRICTIVE OCCUPANCY GROUP, R-2 WORKS FOR TOTAL BUILDING.

USE NON-SEPARATED, TYPE VB CONSTRUCTION

# MIXED OCCUPANCY BUILDINGS

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**THIS 3 STORY, TYPE VB MIXED-USE BUILDING CAN BE FULLY FRAMED WITH WOOD  
AND CAN HAVE NON-SEPARATED OCCUPANCIES**

- No podium is necessary
- No fire resistance rated separation between occupancies is necessary (unless required by other code provisions)
- Even if other materials are used in parts of the building, can still be type VB construction





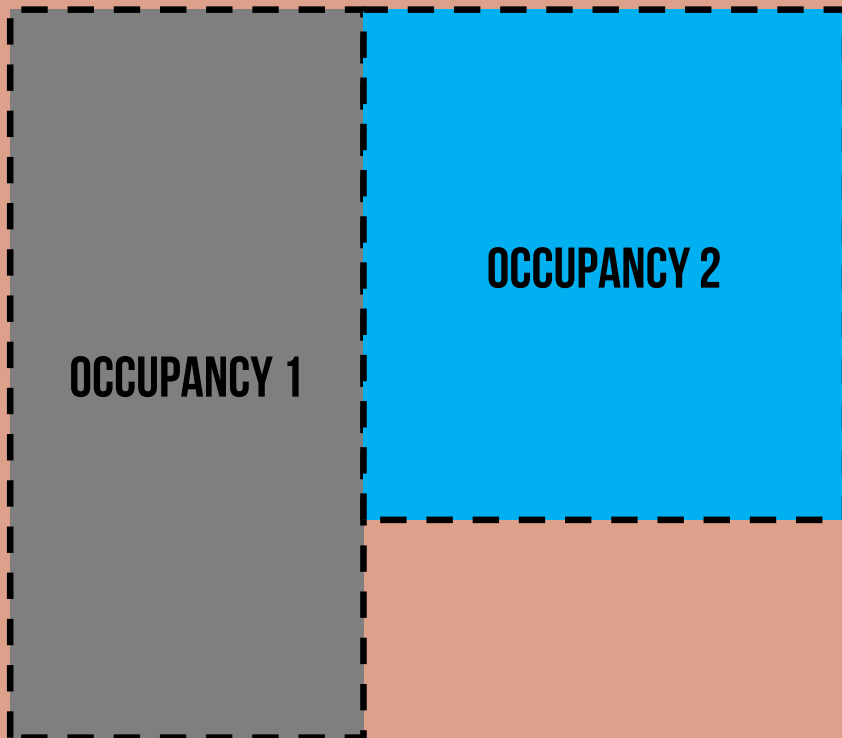
# SEPARATED OCCUPANCIES



# ALLOWABLE BUILDING SIZE

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## SEPARATED OCCUPANCIES



Requirements of code for each portion based upon occupancy of that portion

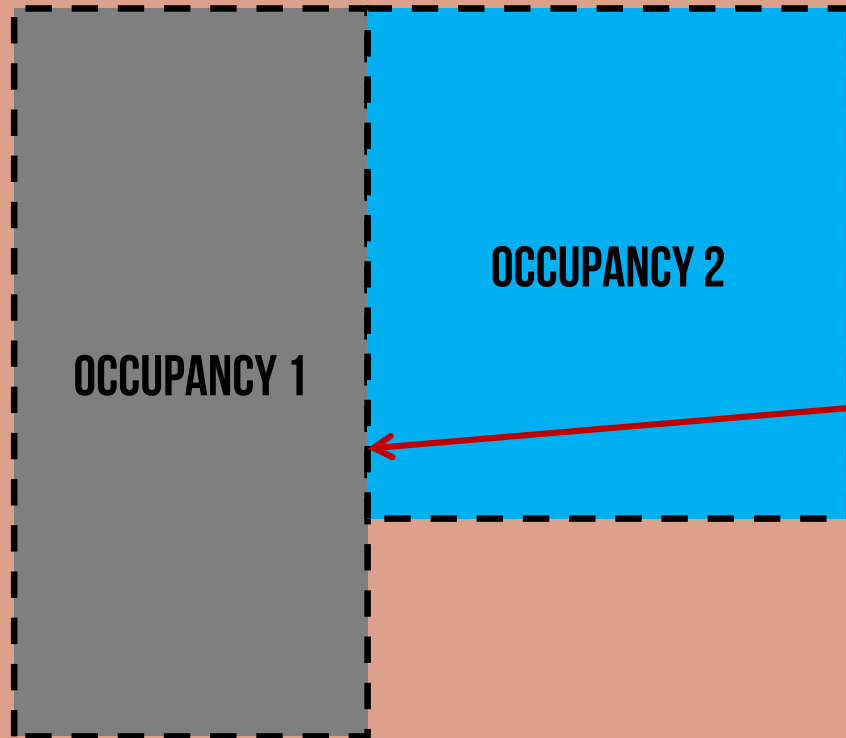
Allowable Height of each occupancy based upon construction type and occupancy

Allowable Area of each story

Sum of actual area over allowable area of each occupancy  $\leq 1.0$

# SEPARATED OCCUPANCIES

IBC 508.4



SEPARATION PER  
TABLE 508.4

$$\frac{A1}{\text{ALLOWABLE AREA FOR OCCUPANCY 1}} + \frac{A2}{\text{ALLOWABLE AREA FOR OCCUPANCY 2}} \leq 1.0$$

CHECK PERFORMED FOR EACH STORY.  
SEPARATION BY FIRE BARRIERS AND HORIZONTAL ASSEMBLIES

# SEPARATED OCCUPANCIES

IBC TABLE 508.4

OCCUPANCY	A, E		I-1 <sup>a</sup> , I-3, I-4		I-2		R <sup>a</sup>		F-2, S-2 <sup>b</sup> , U		B <sup>c</sup> , F-1, M, S-1	
	S	NS	S	NS	S	NS	S	NS	S	NS	S	NS
A, E	N	N	1	2	2	NP	1	2	N	1	1	2
I-1 <sup>a</sup> , I-3, I-4	—	—	N	N	2	NP	1	NP	1	2	1	2
I-2	—	—	—	—	N	N	2	NP	2	NP	2	NP
R <sup>a</sup>	—	—	—	—	—	—	N	N	1 <sup>c</sup>	2 <sup>c</sup>	1	2
F-2, S-2 <sup>b</sup> , U	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	N	N	1	2
B <sup>c</sup> , F-1, M, S-1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	N	N
H-1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
H-2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
H-3, H-4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
H-5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

NP = NOT PERMITTED

N = NO SEPARATION REQUIRED

SEPARATION ACCOMPLISHED WITH:

WALLS: FIRE BARRIERS (IBC 707)

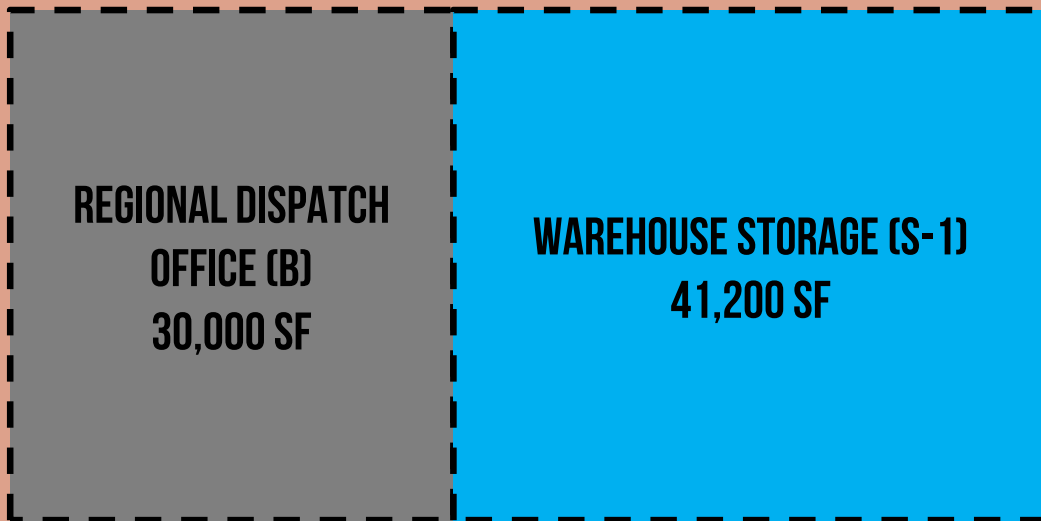
FLOORS: HORIZONTAL ASSEMBLIES (IBC 711)



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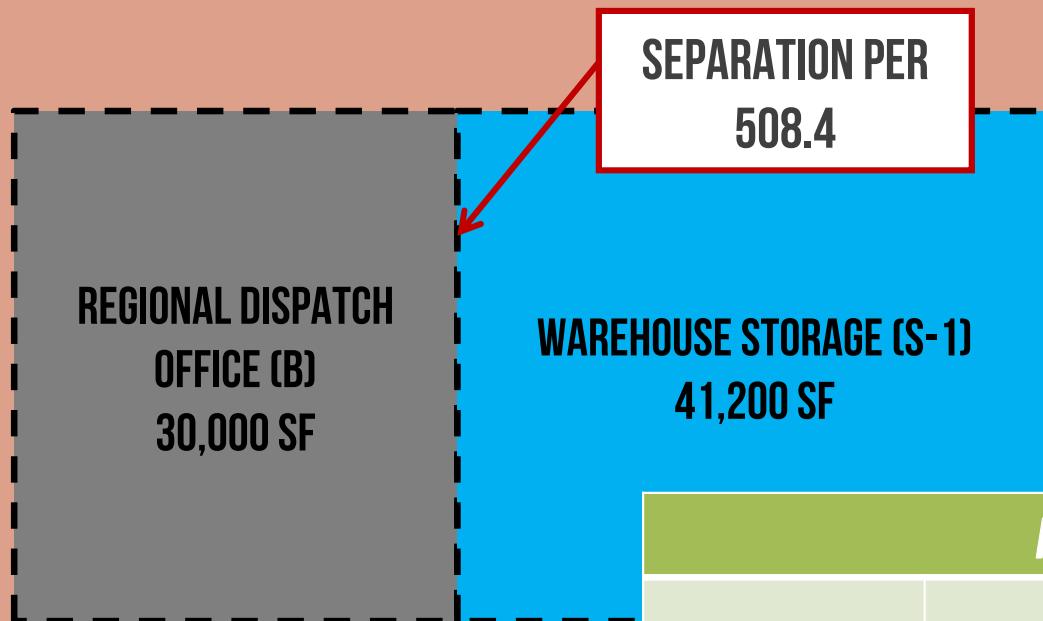
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## CONSTRUCTION TYPE OPTIONS

- VB:  $30,000/36,000 \pm 41,200/36,000 = 1.98 > 1.0$  INADEQUATE
- VA:  $30,000/72,000 \pm 41,200/56,000 = 1.15 > 1.0$  INADEQUATE
- IIIB:  $30,000/76,000 \pm 41,200/70,000 = 0.98 < 1.0$  OK. USE TYPE IIIB

ASSUMPTIONS:  
NFPA 13 SPRINKLER THROUGHOUT. NO  
FRONTAGE INCREASE.

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A, E	N	N	1	2	2	NP	1	2	N	1	1	2
I-1 <sup>a</sup> , I-3, I-4	—	—	N	N	2	NP	1	NP	1	2	1	2
I-2	—	—	—	—	N	N	2	NP	2	NP	2	NP
R <sup>a</sup>	—	—	—	—	—	—	N	N	1 <sup>c</sup>	2 <sup>c</sup>	1	2
F-2, S-2 <sup>b</sup> , U	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	N	N	1	2
B <sup>c</sup> , F-1, M, S-1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	N	N
H-1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
H-2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
H-3, H-4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
H-5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

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FOR THIS EXAMPLE, NO SEPARATION REQUIRED

SEPARATION ACCOMPLISHED WITH:

WALLS: FIRE BARRIERS (IBC 707)

FLOORS: HORIZONTAL ASSEMBLIES (IBC 711)

# SEPARATED OCCUPANCIES

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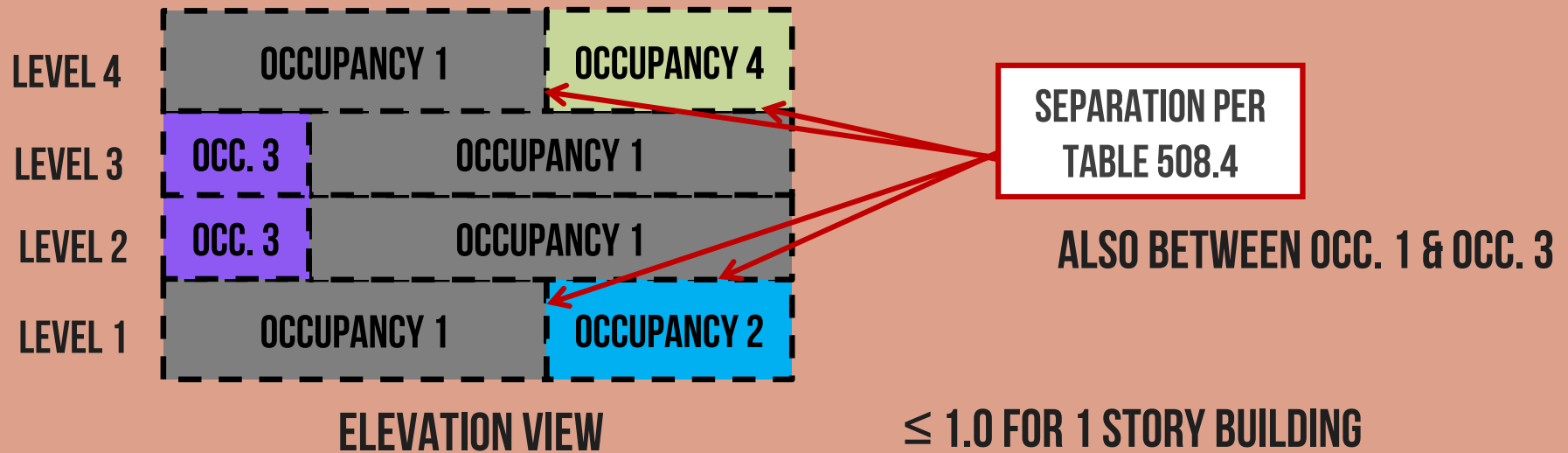
**MULTI-STORY SEPARATED  
OCCUPANCY BUILDINGS**

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# SEPARATED OCCUPANCIES

IBC 2012 506.5 & 508.4 / IBC 2015 506.2.4 & 508.4

## MULTI-STORY SEPARATED OCCUPANCY BUILDINGS



SUM OF RATIOS OF ACTUAL AREA/ALLOWABLE AREA FOR  
ALL OCCUPANCIES PER FLOOR:

$\leq 1.0$  FOR 1 STORY BUILDING

$\leq 2.0$  FOR 2 STORY BUILDING

$\leq 3.0$  FOR 3 OR MORE STORY BUILDING

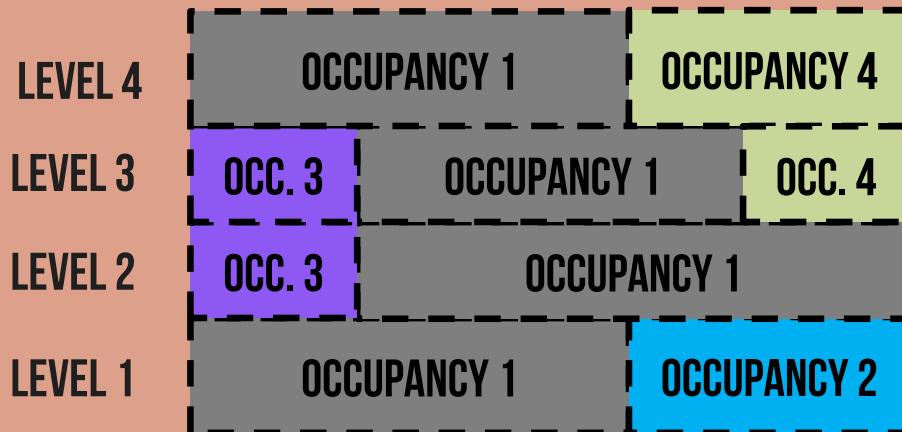
NO FLOOR CAN HAVE A RATIO  $> 1.0$



# SEPARATED OCCUPANCIES

IBC 508.4

## MULTI-STORY SEPARATED OCCUPANCY EXAMPLE



ELEVATION VIEW

### 4 story building

- Total building area = 120,000 SF
- Occupancy 1 = apartments (R-2)
- Occupancy 2 = retail (M)
- Occupancy 3 = restaurant (A-2)
- Occupancy 4 = professional offices (B)
- IBC section 903.2.8 requires buildings containing group R fire areas to be sprinklered throughout the building
- Provide NFPA 13 sprinkler throughout building

# SEPARATED OCCUPANCIES

IBC 508.4

## MULTI-STORY SEPARATED OCCUPANCY EXAMPLE



LEVEL 1 FLOOR PLAN



LEVEL 2 FLOOR PLAN

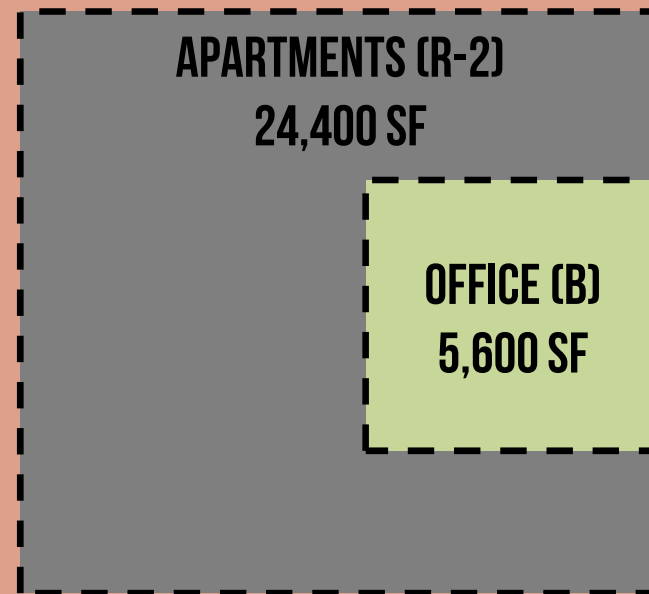
# SEPARATED OCCUPANCIES

IBC 508.4

## MULTI-STORY SEPARATED OCCUPANCY EXAMPLE



LEVEL 3 FLOOR PLAN



LEVEL 4 FLOOR PLAN

# SEPARATED OCCUPANCIES

IBC 503

## MULTI-STORY SEPARATED OCCUPANCY EXAMPLE

ALLOWABLE FLOOR AREA / # OF STORIES				
	VB	VA	IIIB	IIIA
GROUP A-2	18,000 SF / 2	34,500 SF / 3	28,500 SF / 3	42,000 SF / 4
GROUP B	27,000 SF / 3	54,000 SF / 4	57,000 SF / 4	85,500 SF / 6
GROUP M	27,000 SF / 2	42,000 SF / 4	37,500 SF / 3	55,500 SF / 5
GROUP R-2	21,000 SF / 3	36,000 SF / 4	48,000 SF / 5	72,000 SF / 5

WITH FULL NFPA 13 SPRINKLER INCREASES BUT NO FRONTAGE INCREASE

# SEPARATED OCCUPANCIES

IBC 508.4

## MULTI-STORY SEPARATED OCCUPANCY EXAMPLE



LEVEL 1 FLOOR PLAN

TRY CONSTRUCTION TYPE VA:

$$\text{VA: } 21,000/36,000 \pm 9,000/42,000 = 0.80$$

ALLOWABLE HEIGHT & STORIES:

R-2: 70 FT, 4 STORIES - OK

M: 70 FT, 4 STORIES - OK



# SEPARATED OCCUPANCIES

IBC 508.4

## MULTI-STORY SEPARATED OCCUPANCY EXAMPLE



LEVEL 2 FLOOR PLAN

TRY CONSTRUCTION TYPE VA:

$$\text{VA: } 17,400/36,000 \pm 12,600/34,500 = 0.85$$

ALLOWABLE HEIGHT & STORIES:

R-2: 70 FT, 4 STORIES - OK

A-2: 70 FT, 3 STORIES - OK

# SEPARATED OCCUPANCIES

IBC 508.4

## MULTI-STORY SEPARATED OCCUPANCY EXAMPLE



LEVEL 3 FLOOR PLAN

TRY CONSTRUCTION TYPE VA:

$$\text{VA: } 15,200/36,000 \pm 12,600/34,500 \pm 2,200/54,000 = 0.83$$

ALLOWABLE HEIGHT & STORIES:

R-2: 70 FT, 4 STORIES - OK

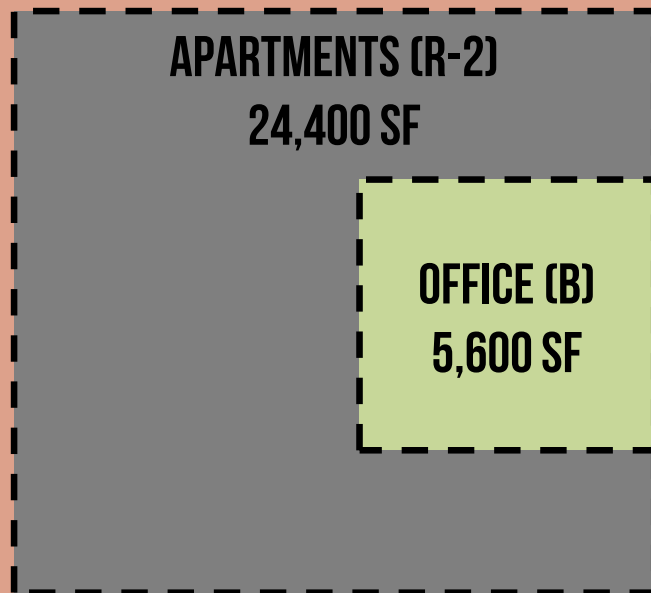
A-2: 70 FT, 3 STORIES - OK

B: 70 FT, 4 STORIES - OK

# SEPARATED OCCUPANCIES

IBC 508.4

## MULTI-STORY SEPARATED OCCUPANCY EXAMPLE



LEVEL 4 FLOOR PLAN

TRY CONSTRUCTION TYPE VA:

$$VA: 24,400/36,000 \pm 5,600/54,000 = 0.78$$

ALLOWABLE HEIGHT & STORIES:

R-2: 70 FT, 4 STORIES - OK

B: 70 FT, 4 STORIES - OK

# SEPARATED OCCUPANCIES

IBC 508.4

## MULTI-STORY SEPARATED OCCUPANCY EXAMPLE

LEVEL 4	OCCUPANCY 1	OCCUPANCY 4	0.78
LEVEL 3	OCC. 3	OCCUPANCY 1	0.83
LEVEL 2	OCC. 3	OCCUPANCY 1	0.85
LEVEL 1	OCCUPANCY 1	OCCUPANCY 2	0.80

### ELEVATION VIEW

SUM OF RATIOS OF ACTUAL AREA/ALLOWABLE AREA FOR ALL  
OCCUPANCIES PER FLOOR:

$$0.78 \pm 0.83 \pm 0.85 \pm 0.80 = 3.26 > 3.0 \text{ INADEQUATE;}$$

TYPE VA CAN'T BE USED

USE TYPE IIIB

# SEPARATED OCCUPANCIES

IBC TABLE 508.4

OCCUPANCY	A, E		I-1 <sup>a</sup> , I-3, I-4		I-2		R <sup>a</sup>		F-2, S-2 <sup>b</sup> , U		B <sup>c</sup> , F-1, M, S-1	
	S	NS	S	NS	S	NS	S	NS	S	NS	S	NS
A, E	N	N	1	2	2	NP	1	2	N	1	1	2
I-1 <sup>a</sup> , I-3, I-4	—	—	N	N	2	NP	1	NP	1	2	1	2
I-2	—	—	—	—	N	N	2	NP	2	NP	2	NP
R <sup>a</sup>	—	—	—	—	—	—	N	N	1 <sup>c</sup>	2 <sup>c</sup>	1	2
F-2, S-2 <sup>b</sup> , U	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	N	N	1	2
B <sup>c</sup> , F-1, M, S-1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	N	N
H-1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
H-2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
H-3, H-4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
H-5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

NP = NOT PERMITTED

N = NO SEPARATION REQUIRED

R-2 TO B, M, A-2: 1 HR WALLS AND FLOORS

A-2 TO M: 1 HR FLOOR

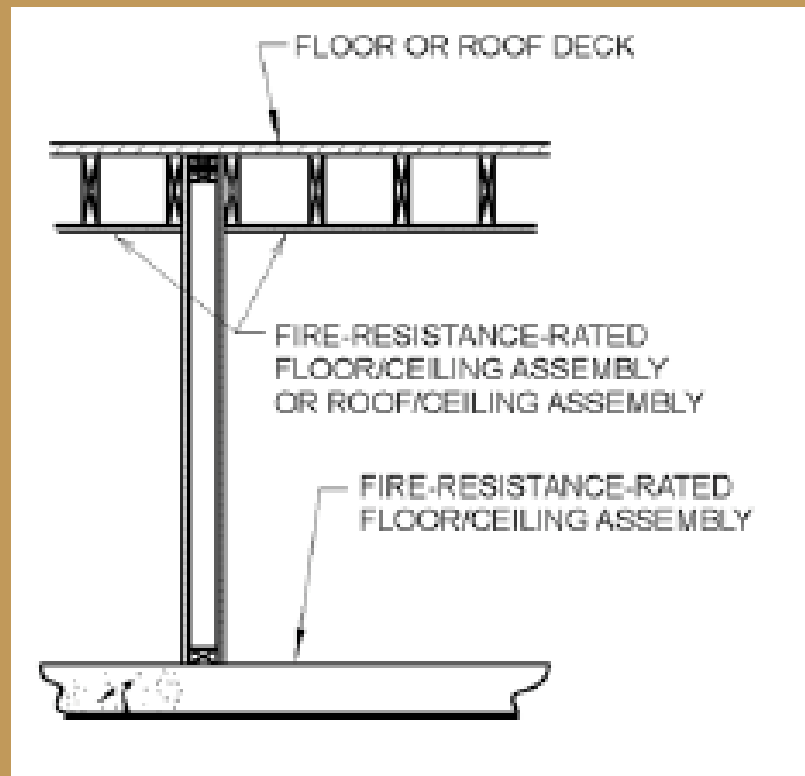


# FIRE BARRIERS

IBC 707

## WHAT IS A FIRE BARRIER?

- May be constructed with any materials permitted by the construction type
- Occupancy separation: Fire resistance ratings per IBC Table 508.4
- Required to extend from top of the foundation/floor below to underside of floor/roof sheathing, slab or deck above
- Supporting construction required to have same fire-resistance rating as the fire barrier being supported
- Other requirements for openings, penetrations, joints



2012 IBC CODE & COMMENTARY

# FIRE BARRIERS

IBC 707



**COMMON DETAILING METHOD: FIRE BARRIER & MEMBRANE EXTEND TO UNDERSIDE OF FLOOR DECK ABOVE**

# HEIGHTS AND AREAS CALCULATOR — FREE TOOL

**HANDLES SEPARATED OCCUPANCIES**  
**NON-SEPARATED OCCUPANCIES (CHECK "BOTH")**

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# SEPARATE BUILDINGS



**EXAMPLE:  
5 STORY HOTEL**



# SEPARATE BUILDINGS



## EXAMPLE:

5 story hotel

1<sup>st</sup> floor: lobby, restaurant, fitness center, conference rooms, residential

2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> floors residential

5-story, type III (with or without firewalls for area limitations)

Mixed-use on 1<sup>st</sup> floor handled with separated/non-separated occupancies considering all floors

# SEPARATE BUILDINGS

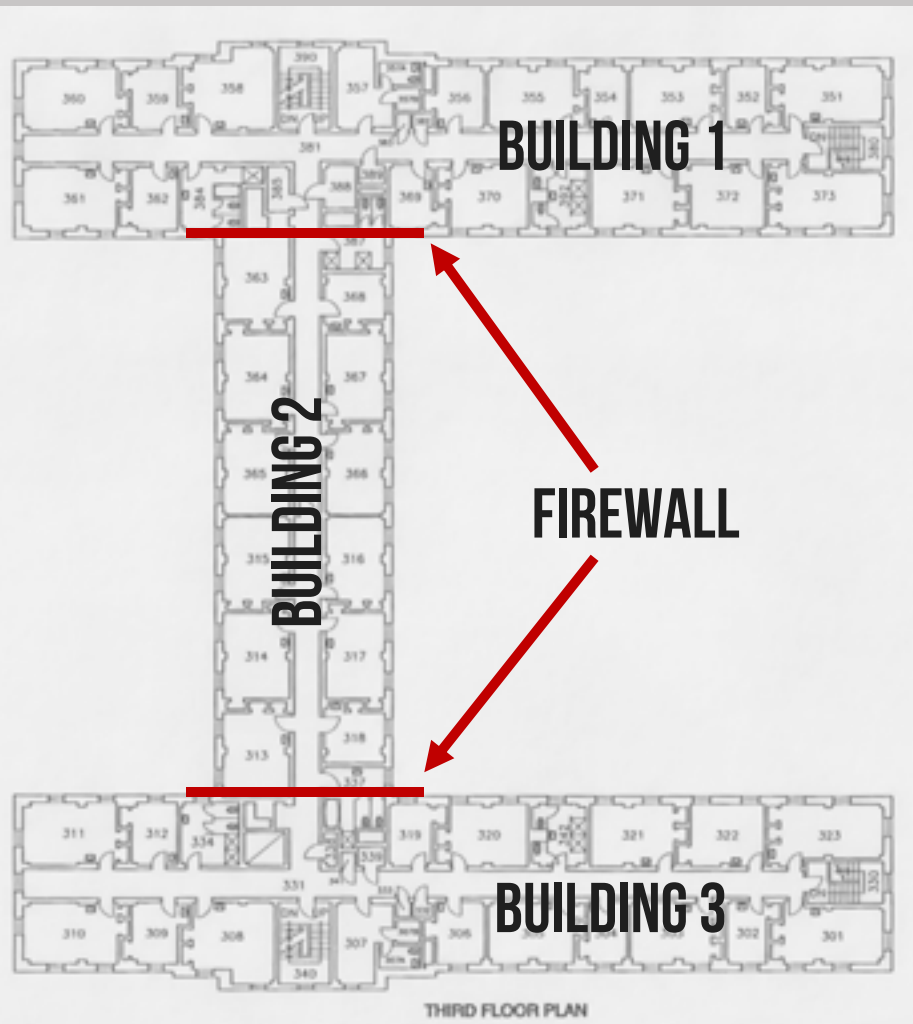


**EXAMPLE:**

**T- AND L-SHAPED BUILDINGS — COMMON IN HOTELS, OFTEN WITH LARGE FLOOR AREAS**



# SEPARATE BUILDINGS



These building configurations may lend themselves well to use of firewalls at building intersections.

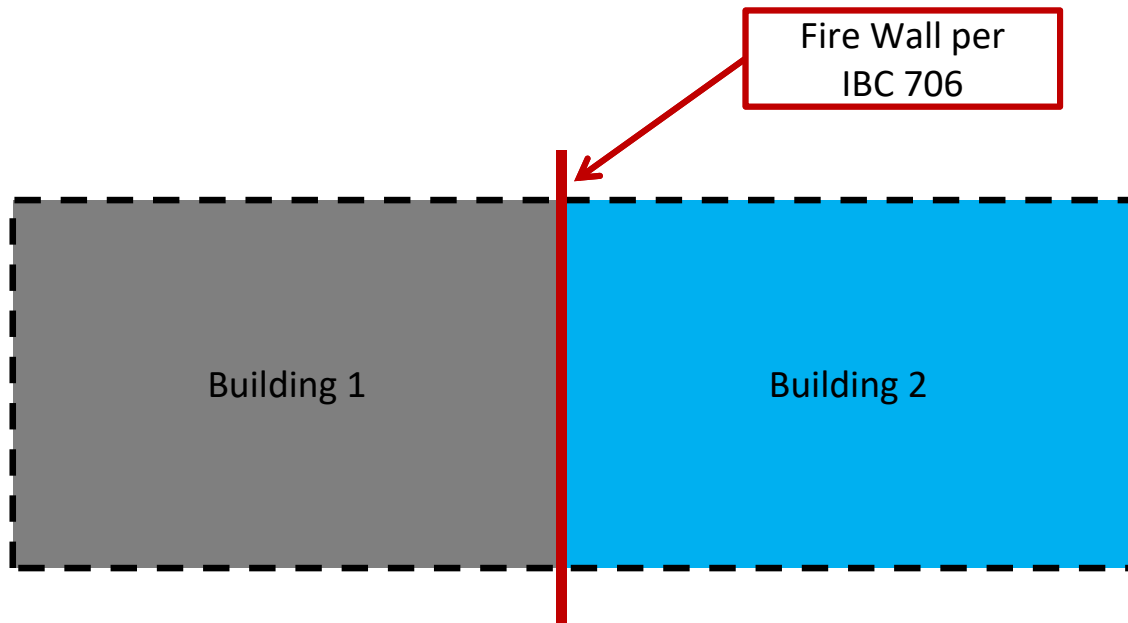
Minimize length/impact of firewall while maximizing allowable building area

may allow lower construction type (i.e. type IIIB instead of IIIA)

# FIRE WALLS

IBC 706

## SEPARATE BUILDINGS — FIRE WALLS



**EACH PORTION OF A BUILDING SEPARATED BY ONE OR MORE FIRE WALLS SHALL BE CONSIDERED TO BE A SEPARATE BUILDING**

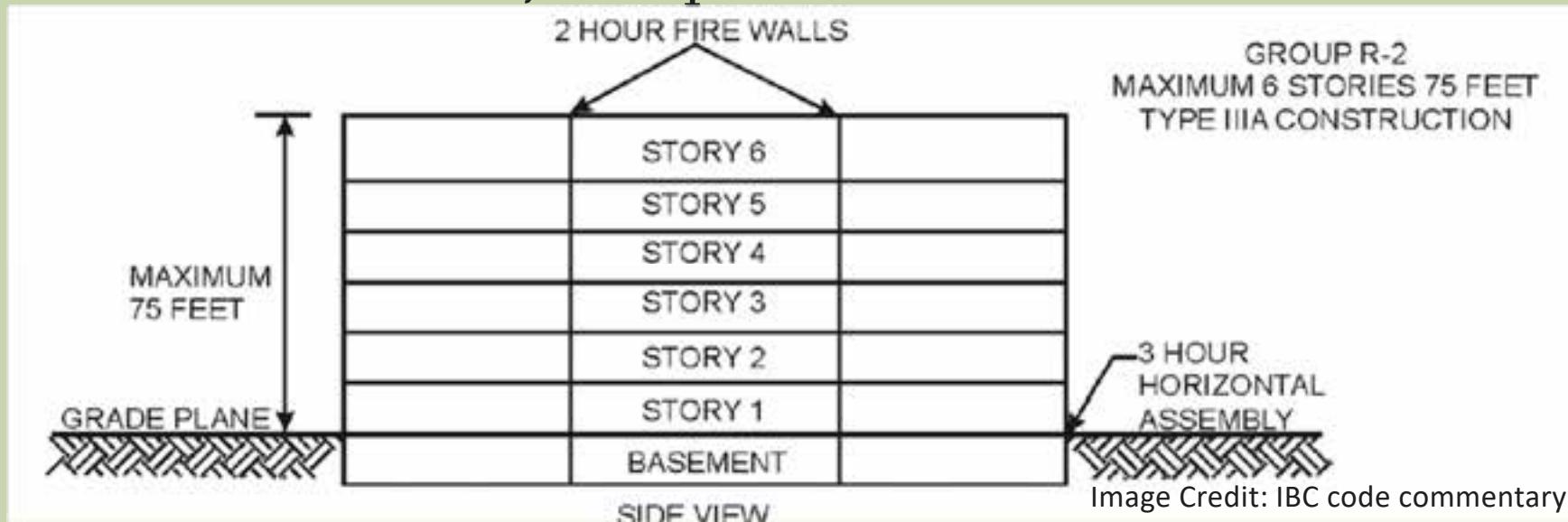


# SPECIAL PROVISIONS

IBC 510.5

## GROUP R-1 & R-2, TYPE IIIA BUILDINGS

- Height limitation increased to 6 stories & 75 ft
- First floor assembly above the basement has a fire-resistance rating of not less than 3 hours
- Floor area is subdivided by 2-hour fire-resistance-rated fire walls into areas of not more than 3,000 square feet



# SPECIAL PROVISIONS

IBC 510.2

## HORIZONTAL BUILDING SEPARATION

### OFTEN CALLED PODIUM PROVISION:

- Considered separate buildings above and below for purposes of area calculations if:
- Overall height in feet is still limited to min of either building
- 3hr rated horizontal assembly
- Building below is Type 1A with sprinklers
- Occupancy restrictions above and below



# SPECIAL PROVISIONS

IBC 510.2

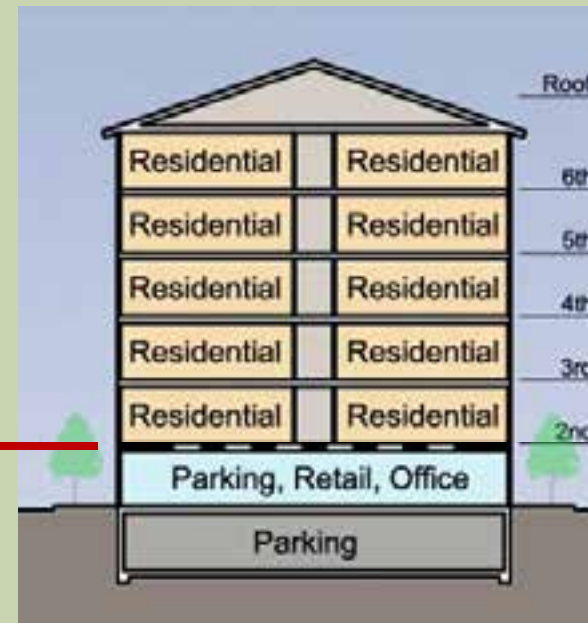
## HORIZONTAL BUILDING SEPARATION



5 STORY TYPE III BUILDING

**3HR**

**TYPE IA**

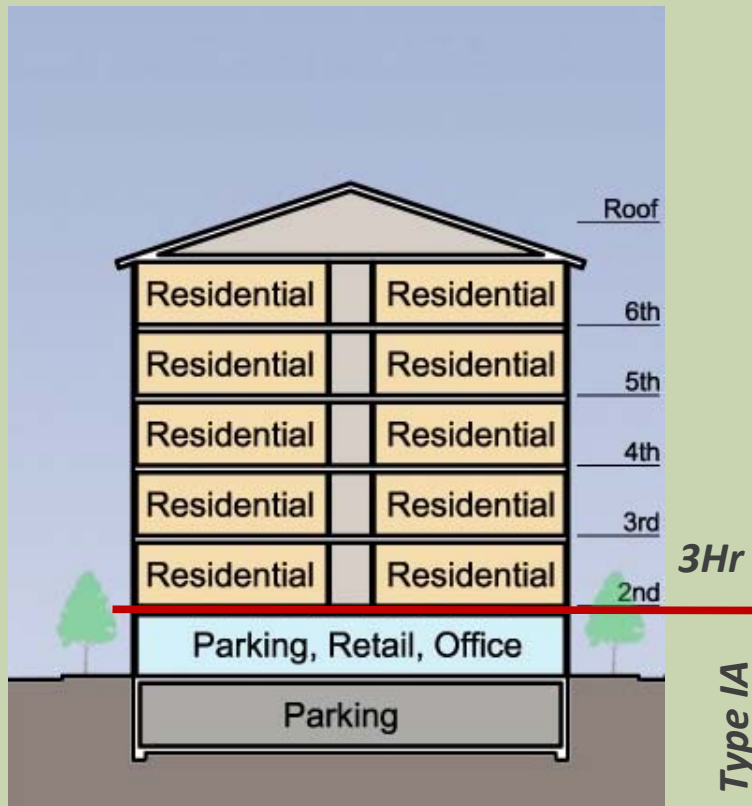


5 STORY TYPE III BUILDING  
ON TOP OF A TYPE IA PODIUM

***INCREASES ALLOWABLE STORIES... NOT ALLOWABLE BUILDING HEIGHT***

# SPECIAL PROVISIONS

IBC 510.2



IBC PROVISIONS FOR MIXED-USE PODIUM HAVE BEEN EVOLVING.

IBC	2006	2009	2012	2015
SECTION	509.2	509.2	510.2	510.2
UPPER OCCUPANCY	A, B, M, R OR S			
LOWER OCCUPANCY	S-2 PARKING	A, B, M, R OR S-2 PARKING		ANY EXCEPT H
PODIUM HEIGHT	1 STORY			NO RESTRICTION

***2015 IBC ALLOWS MULTIPLE PODIUM STORIES ABOVE GRADE.***



# SEPARATE BUILDINGS



## EXAMPLE:

5 story hotel

1<sup>st</sup> floor: lobby, restaurant, fitness center, conference rooms, residential

2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> floors residential

4-story, type VA over 1 story type IA (podium provision – IBC 510.2)

Mixed-use on 1<sup>st</sup> floor handled with separated/non-separated occupancies considering that floor only

## ***6 & 7 STORY MIXED-USE POSSIBILITIES***

**5 STORIES OF TYPE III  
OVER 1 STORY PODIUM**



# **SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

**IBC 510.2**

**5 STORIES OF TYPE III  
OVER 2 STORY PODIUM**



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***7 STORY MIXED-USE POSSIBILITIES***

**6 STORIES OF TYPE IIIA OR IV  
OVER 1 STORY PODIUM**

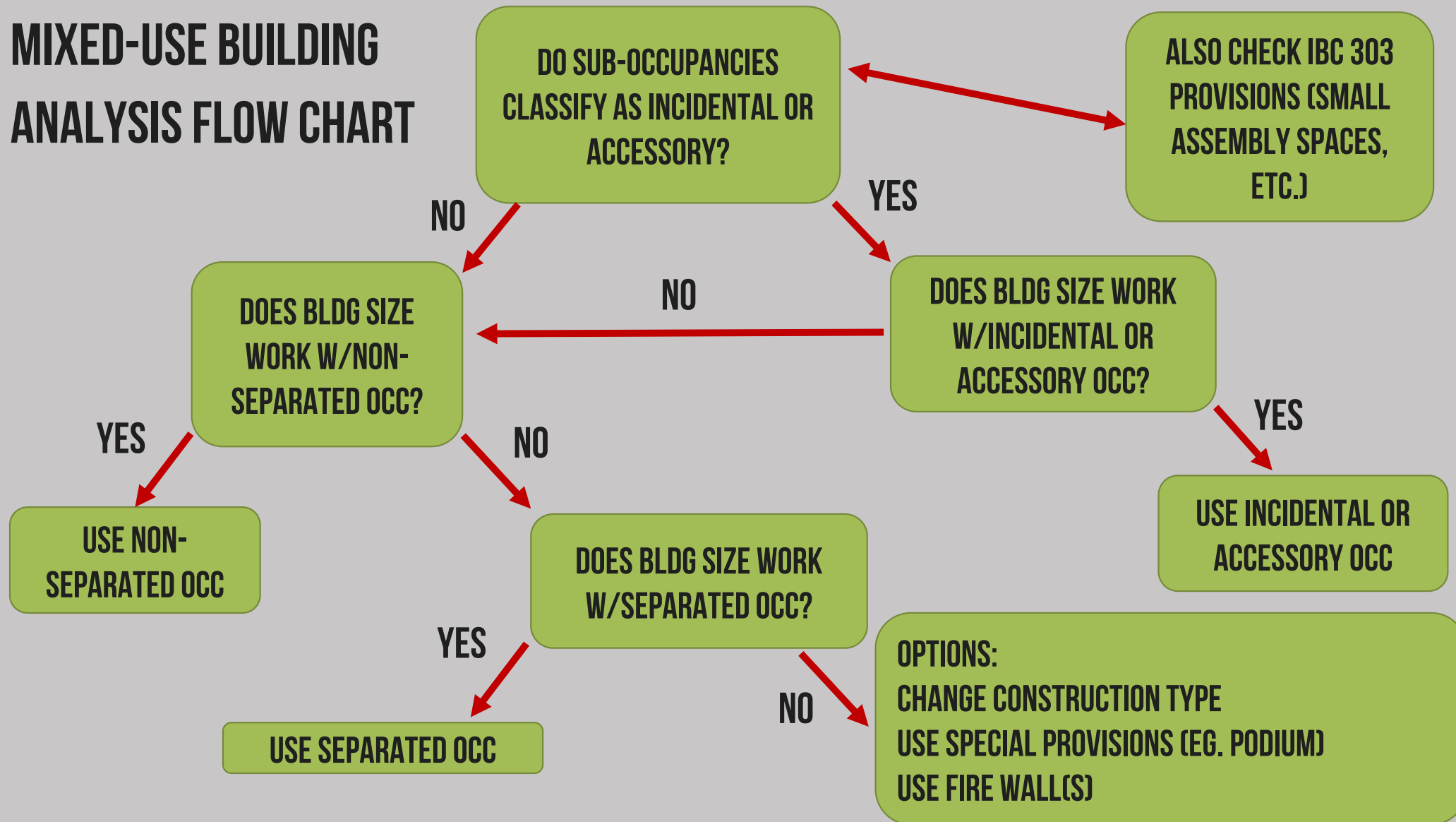
# SPECIAL PROVISIONS

IBC 510.2



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# MIXED-USE BUILDING ANALYSIS FLOW CHART





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