



**Informal Interpretation
Report Number 7295**



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Code: Building **Code Year:** 2010

Section: 2002.3.3

Question:

Is it the intent of the Florida Building Code, Building, to require Florida Product Approval be demonstrated for removable panels being used in Category II and III Sunrooms?

Comment:

These panels must be removed when winds exceed 75 mph and are not part of the structural element therefore should not be in the scope of the Florida Product Approval rule. Thank you for the consideration in this matter. Dick

Answer:

No

Commentary:

The wind break panels are not covered by the Product Approval Rule. The question was taken to the Product Approval POC in the past and they were ruled outside the purview of the rule as they are not structural in nature.

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