

INTERPRETATION: IIAR SRC 2004-1

SUBJECT: ANSI/IIAR 2-1999 Section 6.2.3.6

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QUESTION:

Section 6.2.3.6 states that a machinery room in a basement has to have a ventilation rate that is continuously operated at the emergency ventilation rate. I would like to get an interpretation on the definition of a basement.

As an example, if a machinery room is 25 feet high, is part of a larger structure, built into a hill and the floor of the machinery room is 10 to 12 feet below grade, would it be considered a basement?

REPLY:

The local code typically defines whether or not a given area is classified as a basement, and we respectfully refer you to the building code official and any other authorities having jurisdiction.

COMMITTEE ACTION:

None.