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## Request for Statewide Code Modification

**Jurisdiction or Organization:** City of Charleston – Charleston Fire Department

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**Signature:**  **Date:** 5/30/2018

**Code:** International Fire Code **Edition:** 2018 **Section:** 906.1

**Check One:**  Delete and substitute the following  Delete without substitution  Add the following  Modify the following  
 Type or print proposed modification. Use additional pages if necessary. Underline new language. ~~Line through Deleted Language.~~

**906.1 1. Where required.**

1. In new and existing Group A, B, E, F, H, I, M, R-1, R-2, R-4 and S occupancies.  
~~Exception: In new and existing Group A, B and E occupancies equipped throughout with quick response sprinklers, portable fire extinguishers shall be required only in locations specified in Items 2 through 6.~~

**Exceptions:**

1. In Group R2 occupancies, portable fire extinguishers shall only be required in locations specified in Items 2 through 6 where each dwelling unit is provided with a portable fire extinguisher having a minimum rating of 1-A:10BC.

2. In Group E occupancies, portable fire extinguishers shall be required in locations specified in Items 2 through 6 where each classroom is provided with a portable fire extinguisher having a minimum rating of 2-A:20BC.

2. Within 30 feet (9144mm) distance travel from commercial cooking equipment and domestic cooking equipment in Group I-1; I-2, Condition 1; and R-2 college dormitory occupancies.

3. In areas where flammable or combustible liquids are stored, used or dispensed.

4. On each floor of structures under construction, except Group R-3 occupancies, in accordance with Section 3315.1.

5. Where required by the sections indicated in Table 906.1.

6. Special-hazard areas, including but not limited to laboratories, computer rooms and generator rooms, where required by the fire code official.

**Reason:**  Unusually Restrictive  Impractical  Threat to Human Injury or Life Safety

This proposal is addressing a previous code modification that is no longer necessary. The original exception that was deleted addresses a tradeoff for quick response sprinklers in several occupancies in the 2006 International Fire Code. The exception was modified in the 2012 International Fire Code to address R2 occupancies, but the change was not addressed during the adoption process. The previous exception is no long applicable and should be removed and we should return to the base code language in the 2018 code.