



Secondary Suites - Compliance with the Building and Fire Codes

Moderator(s): Dan Halladay

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GUEST SPEAKERS: Ms. Susan Clarke - Fire Safety Commission

DESCRIPTION: This presentation reviews Building and Fire Code requirements for Secondary Suites in residential buildings - reviewing applications for existing secondary suites, new construction, change of use and renovations. Various scenarios are provided to illustrate the different applications.

BIOGRAPHY: Ms. Susan Clarke, Vice Chair

Susan has worked in the private sectors as a consulting engineer, and in the public sector for the Office of the Fire Marshal (and Emergency Management). While at the OFM/EM, she worked in a number of program areas – research, plan review, fire investigations and teaching. As a Fire Marshal Delegate, she reviewed countless Inspection Orders and wrote Fire Marshal Decisions, addressing many critical fire safety issues. Susan was also involved in a number of internal technical committees tasked with the ongoing development of both the Ontario Building (OBC) and Fire Code (OFC); and coordinated the Technical Advisory Committee for the Vulnerable Occupancies initiative.

Susan is a registered Facilitator with MMAH, and is qualified to teach many of the OBC and OFC courses. She Chaired the Code Interpretations Advisory Committee (CIAC), and is Past President of the Canadian Fire Safety Association.