

REGULATIONS EXTRACTED FROM THE NORTH  
CAROLINA FIRE CODE AND THE NORTH CAROLINA  
BUILDING CODE 2002 EDITION.

ADMINISTRATION:

**Section 102.8 Matters not provided for:** Requirements that are essential for the public safety of an existing or proposed activity, building or structure, or for the safety of the occupants thereof which are not specifically provided by this code shall be determined by the code official.

**INTERIOR FINISH, DECORATIVE MATERIALS AND  
FURNISHINGS:**

**Section 803.1.2 Fire-retardant coatings:** Fire-retardant coatings shall be maintained so as to retain the effectiveness of the treatment under service conditions encountered in actual use.

**Section 803.3.2 Artwork:** Artwork and **teaching** materials shall be limited on the walls of corridors to no more than 20 percent of the wall area.

**Section 804: DECORATIVE VEGETATION**

**Section 804.1.1 Restricted Occupancies:** Natural cut trees shall be prohibited in Group E (Educational) occupancies unless the tree is located in areas protected by an approved automatic sprinkler system.

**Section 804.2 Obstruction of means of egress:** The required width of any portion of a means of egress shall not be obstructed by decorative vegetation.

**Section 804.4 Artificial vegetation:** Artificial decorative vegetation shall be frame resistant or flame retardant. Such flame resistance and flame retardant shall be documented and certified by the manufacturer in an approved manner.

## **Section 805 DECORATIONS AND TRIM**

**Section 805.1 General:** In occupancy group E, curtains, draperies, hangings and other decorative materials suspended from walls or ceilings shall be flame resistant in accordance with Section 805.2 and National Fire Protection Association ( NFPA) 701 or be noncombustible.

**Section 805.1.2 Flame resistant materials:** The permissible amount of flame-resistant decorative materials shall not exceed 10 percent of the aggregate area of walls and ceilings.

## **Section 806 INTERIOR FINISH AND DECORATIVE MATERIALS**

**Section 806.1.3 Obstruction of means of egress:** No decorations or other objects shall be placed to obstruct exits, access thereto, egress there from, or visibility thereof.

THIS INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE CITY OF JACKSONVILLE  
FIRE INSPECTORS TO INFORM FACULTY AND STAFF, OF GROUP  
E OCCUPANCIES (EDUCATIONAL OR SCHOOLS) FIRE CODE  
REGULATIONS.

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