

**FINAL EXPRESS TERMS
FOR PROPOSED BUILDING STANDARDS
OF THE DIVISION OF THE STATE ARCHITECT
REGARDING THE 2025 CALIFORNIA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE,
CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 24, PART 1
(DSA-SS 01/25)**

The state agency shall draft the regulations in plain, straightforward language, avoiding technical terms as much as possible and using a coherent and easily readable style. The agency shall draft the regulation in plain English. A notation shall follow the express terms of each regulation listing the specific statutes authorizing the adoption and listing specific statutes being implemented, interpreted, or made specific (Government Code Section 11346.2(a)(1)).

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FINAL EXPRESS TERMS

ITEM 1

Chapter 4 ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS FOR THE DIVISION OF THE STATE ARCHITECT—STRUCTURAL SAFETY (DSA-SS), ARTICLE 2: STATE BUILDINGS

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4-231. Fees.

(a) The filing fee required by DSA to accompany the submittal of project plans and specifications for essential services buildings shall be one and one-half percent (1.5%) of the first \$1,000,000 of the estimated cost and one and one-quarter percent (1.25%) of the excess of the estimated cost over \$1,000,000, except that the minimum filing fee for any project in any case shall be \$250.

(b) The words “filing fee” mean the fee that must accompany the application and the words “further fee” mean the fee that shall be paid to DSA if the actual cost exceeds the estimated cost by more than 5 percent.

(c) The application for an essential services building is considered received when it, accompanied by the plans and specifications, structural design computations, site data and filing fee has been received by DSA and an application number has been assigned.

~~An Essential Services Building Account is hereby established in the Architecture Public Fund for the purpose of crediting the application fees paid by state agencies into the state treasury.~~

(d) The filing fee schedule in effect at the time of filing shall apply throughout the duration of such application.

(e) Adjustments in the amounts of the fees, as determined by the Department of General Services, may be made by the department in order to maintain a reasonable working balance in the fund, provided that the fees shall not exceed the amounts in the fee schedule specified in subdivision (a) of Section 4-231.

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Notation:

Authority: Health and Safety Code Section 16022.

Reference(s): Health and Safety Code Sections 16022.

ITEM 2

Chapter 4 ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS FOR THE DIVISION OF THE STATE ARCHITECT—STRUCTURAL SAFETY (DSA-SS): GROUP 1 SAFETY OF CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS, ARTICLE 3—APPROVAL OF DRAWINGS AND SPECIFICATIONS

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4-317. Plans, specifications, calculations and other data.

(a) **General.** An application...

(b) **Plans.** Plans shall designate the use or occupancy of all parts of the school buildings...

The architect or engineer in general responsible charge or the professional engineer delegated responsibility for the design of the structural system of the project shall design and detail the anchorage and bracing of nonstructural elements. The details for the bracing and anchorage of nonstructural elements shall be shown and cross-referenced on the drawings.

All plans submitted shall include a site plan showing all buildings on the campus. All buildings shall be identified with a unique building number assigned by DSA. If a unique building number has not been established, the architect or engineer in general responsible charge shall, at a minimum, identify the building by providing DSA the application number for the original construction of the building.

(c) **Specifications.** Specifications shall...

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Notation:

Authority: Education Code Sections 17310 and 81142.

Reference(s): Education Code Section 17070.54.

ITEM 3

Chapter 4 ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS FOR THE DIVISION OF THE STATE ARCHITECT—STRUCTURAL SAFETY (DSA-SS): GROUP 1 SAFETY OF CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS, ARTICLE 4—FEES

4-320. Application fees. The fees required by Sections 17300 and ~~81136~~81133 of the Education Code shall be in accordance with Section 4-321. ~~The fee schedule in effect at the time of filing shall apply throughout the duration of such application.~~ A list of prior fee schedules...

4-321. Fee Schedule 11.

- (a) The filing fee for projects shall be a maximum of one and one-quarter percent (1.25%) percent of the first \$1,000,000 of the estimated cost and a maximum of 1.0 percent ~~on~~of the excess of the estimated cost over \$1,000,000, except that the minimum fee in any case shall be \$250.00. The maximum percentages may be subject to adjustment through enforcement agency policy in accordance with the Education Code.
- (b) If the actual cost exceeds the estimated cost by more than 5 percent, the further fee for such projects shall be equal to the difference between the filing fee paid and the amount computed under Fee Schedule 11 on the actual cost, the actual cost being determined according to Section 4-322.
- (c) The filing fee schedule in effect at the time of filing shall apply throughout the duration of such application.
- (d) Adjustments in the amounts of the fees, as determined by the Department of General Services, may be made by the department in order to maintain a reasonable working balance in the fund, provided that the fees shall not exceed the amounts in the fee schedule specified in subdivision (a) of Section 4-321.

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Notation:

Authority: Education Code Sections 17300, 17301, 17310, 81133 and 81142.

Reference(s): Education Code Sections 17300, 17301, and 81133.

ITEM 4

Chapter 4 ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS FOR THE DIVISION OF THE STATE ARCHITECT—STRUCTURAL SAFETY (DSA-SS): GROUP 1 SAFETY OF CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS, ARTICLE 10—INSPECTOR CERTIFICATION

Proposed amendments to repeal entire Article 10 (Sections 4-360 through 4-369) are withdrawn. Provisions will not be relocated to Title 21 of the California Code of Regulations.

ARTICLE 10—INSPECTOR CERTIFICATION

4-360. Inspector certification. Only a Project Inspector who holds valid certification ...
(Proposed amendments are withdrawn)

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4-369. Reinstatement after disciplinary action. An individual may request ...
(Proposed amendments are withdrawn)

Notation:

Authority: Education Code Sections 17310 and 81142.

Reference(s): Health and Safety Code Section 18909.

ITEM 5

Chapter 4 ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS FOR THE DIVISION OF THE STATE ARCHITECT—STRUCTURAL SAFETY (DSA-SS): GROUP 1 SAFETY OF CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS, ARTICLE 11—LABORATORY ACCEPTANCE

Proposed amendments to repeal entire Article 11 (Sections 4-370 through 4-378) are withdrawn. Provisions will not be relocated to Title 21 of the California Code of Regulations.

ARTICLE 11—LABORATORY ACCEPTANCE

4-370. DSA Laboratory Evaluation and Acceptance. Only laboratories that hold a valid laboratory acceptance letter ... (Proposed amendments are withdrawn)

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4-378. Reinstatement. A laboratory may seek reinstatement ... (Proposed amendments are withdrawn)

Notation:

Authority: Education Code Sections 17310 and 81142.

Reference(s): Health and Safety Code Section 18909.

ITEM 6

Chapter 4 ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS FOR THE DIVISION OF THE STATE ARCHITECT—STRUCTURAL SAFETY (DSA-SS): GROUP 2 SAFETY OF CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS: FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY, ARTICLE 1—GENERAL PROVISIONS

4-401. Purpose. These regulations implement Section 14963 of the Government Code to ensure that elementary, secondary or community college buildings and facilities constructed or altered pursuant to these regulations are in compliance with the California Code of Regulations, Title 24 related to the design and construction oversight aspects of the Fire and Life Safety (FLS) elements, components and systems.

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Notation:

Authority: Government Code Section 14963.

Reference(s): Government Code Section 14963.

ITEM 7

Chapter 4 ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATIONS FOR THE DIVISION OF THE STATE ARCHITECT—STRUCTURAL SAFETY (DSA-SS): GROUP 2 SAFETY OF CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS: FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY, ARTICLE 4—FEES

4-420.Fees

(a) The filing fee for projects shall be:

- three-tenths of one percent (0.3%) of the first \$1,000,000 of the estimated project cost; plus
- two-tenths of one percent (0.2%) of the project cost greater than \$1,000,000 up to and including \$5,000,000; plus
- one-tenth of one percent (0.1%) of the project cost greater than \$5,000,000 up to and including \$25,000,000; plus
- five one-hundredths of one percent (0.05%) of the project cost greater than \$25,000,000 up to and including \$100,000,000; plus
- one one-hundredth of one percent (0.01%) of the project cost above \$100,000,000;
- except that the minimum fee in any case shall be \$300.00.

~~Examples of filing fee to accompany application:~~

~~(1) Estimated project cost = \$40,000~~

~~$0.3\% \times \$40,000 = \120.00~~

~~Filing fee is the minimum charge = \$300.00~~

~~(2) Estimated project cost = \$925,000~~

~~$0.3\% \times \$925,000 = \$2,775.00$~~

~~Filing fee = \$2,775.00~~

~~(3) Estimated project cost = \$3,840,000~~

~~$0.3\% \times \$1,000,000 = \$3,000.00$~~

~~$0.2\% \times \$2,840,000 = \$5,680.00$~~

~~Filing fee = \$8,680.00~~

~~(4) Estimated project cost = \$7,260,000~~

~~$0.3\% \times \$1,000,000 = \$3,000.00$~~

~~$0.2\% \times \$4,000,000 = \$8,000.00$~~

~~$0.1\% \times \$2,260,000 = \$2,260.00$~~

~~Filing fee = \$13,260.00~~

~~(5) Estimated project cost = \$26,500,000~~

~~$0.3\% \times \$1,000,000 = \$3,000.00$~~

~~$0.2\% \times \$4,000,000 = \$8,000.00$~~

~~$0.1\% \times \$20,000,000 = \$20,000.00$~~

~~$0.05\% \times \$1,500,000 = \750.00~~

Filing fee = \$31,750.00

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~~(e) Beginning in July 2015, and within every four years thereafter, the State Architect shall review the fee schedule and make a written determination whether the fees are sufficient to fund the programs.~~

~~(i) If the State Architect determines that a lesser amount is sufficient to maintain the programs, the fees may be reduced for a period up to four years.~~

~~(ii) If the State Architect determines that a greater amount is necessary to maintain the programs utilizing these funds, the State Architect shall propose a fee schedule increase.~~

(e) Adjustments in the amounts of the fees, as determined by the Department of General Services, may be made by the department in order to maintain a reasonable working balance in the fund, provided that the fees shall not exceed the amounts in the fee schedule specified in subdivision (a) of Section 4-420.

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Notation:

Authority: Education Code Sections 17300, 17301, 17310, 81133 and 81142.

Reference(s): Government Code Section 14963. Health and Safety Code Section 13138. Education Code Sections 17300, 17301, and 81133.

ITEM 8

Chapter 5 ACCESS TO PUBLIC BUILDING BY PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES, ARTICLE 1—COMPLIANCE PROCEDURES

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5-104. Fees.

(a) The filing fee for projects under applications received on or after March 1, 2013, shall be:

- five-tenths of one percent (0.5%) of the first \$500,000.00 of the estimated project cost; plus
- twenty-five one-hundredths of one percent (0.25%) of the project cost greater than \$500,000.00 up to and including \$2,000,000.00; plus
- one-tenth of one percent (0.1%) of the excess of the estimated project cost over greater than \$2,000,000.00 up to and including \$25,000,000; plus
- eight one-hundredths of one percent (0.08%) of the excess of the estimated project cost greater than \$25,000,000 up to and including \$50,000,000; plus
- six one-hundredths of one percent (0.06%) of the excess of the estimated project cost greater than \$50,000,000 up to and including \$100,000,000; plus
- four one-hundredths of one percent (0.04%) of the estimated project cost greater than \$100,000,000; [all items noted above should be upright font without italics]
- except that the minimum fee in any case shall be \$500.00.

Example of filing fee to accompany application:

~~Estimated project cost = \$250,000.00~~

~~.005 × \$250,000.00 = \$1,250.00~~

~~Estimated project cost = \$1,500,000.00~~

~~.005 × \$500,000.00 = \$2,500.00~~

~~.0025 × \$1,000,000.00 = 2,500.00~~

~~\$5,000.00~~

~~Estimated project cost = \$5,000,000.00~~

~~.005 × \$500,000.00 = \$2,500.00~~

~~.0025 × \$1,500,000.00 = 3,750.00~~

~~.001 × \$3,000,000.00 = 3,000.00~~

~~\$9,250.00~~

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~~(e) Beginning in July 2009, with a review in 2011 and within every four years thereafter, the State Architect shall review the fee schedule and make a written determination whether the fees are sufficient to fund the programs.~~

~~(i) If the State Architect determines that a lesser amount is sufficient to maintain the programs, the fees may be reduced for a period up to four years.~~

~~(ii) If the State Architect determines that a greater amount is necessary to maintain the programs utilizing these funds, the State Architect shall propose a fee schedule increase.~~

(e) Adjustments in the amounts of the fees, as determined by the Department of General Services, may be made by the department in order to maintain a reasonable working balance in the fund, provided that the fees shall not exceed the amounts in the fee schedule specified in subdivision (a) of Section 5-104.

Notation:

Authority: Government Code Section 4453.

Reference: Government Code Section 4454.