

(B) "BOCA" MEANS THE ORGANIZATION KNOWN AS THE BUILDING OFFICIALS AND CODE ADMINISTRATORS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(C) (1) "BOCA NATIONAL BUILDING CODE" MEANS THE FIRST PRINTING OF THE MOST RECENT EDITION OF THE NATIONAL BUILDING CODE PERIODICALLY ISSUED BY BOCA.

(2) "BOCA NATIONAL BUILDING CODE" DOES NOT INCLUDE INTERIM AMENDMENTS OR SUBSEQUENT PRINTINGS OF THE MOST RECENT EDITION.

(D) "BUILDING" HAS THE MEANING AND INTERPRETATION SET FORTH IN THE BOCA NATIONAL BUILDING CODE.

(E) "COUNTY" MEANS ANY OF THE 23 COUNTIES OF THE STATE AND THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE.

(F) "LOCAL JURISDICTION" MEANS THE COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY RESPONSIBLE FOR IMPLEMENTATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE MARYLAND BUILDING PERFORMANCE STANDARDS AS MORE SPECIFICALLY PROVIDED IN § 6-402(F) OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(G) "MARYLAND BUILDING PERFORMANCE STANDARDS" OR "STANDARDS" MEANS THE BOCA NATIONAL BUILDING CODE ADOPTED BY THE DEPARTMENT UNDER § 6-402 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(H) "MUNICIPALITY" MEANS A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE XI-E OF THE STATE CONSTITUTION.

(I) "STANDARD BUILDING CODE" MEANS THE STANDARD BUILDING CODE ISSUED BY THE SOUTHERN BUILDING CODE CONGRESS INTERNATIONAL, INC.

(J) "STATE FIRE PREVENTION CODE" MEANS THE FIRE PREVENTION REGULATIONS PROMULGATED BY THE STATE FIRE PREVENTION COMMISSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 38A, § 3 OF THE CODE.

(K) "STRUCTURE" HAS THE MEANING AND INTERPRETATION SET FORTH IN THE BOCA NATIONAL BUILDING CODE.

6-402.

(A) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT BY REGULATION, AS THE MARYLAND BUILDING PERFORMANCE STANDARDS, THE BOCA NATIONAL BUILDING CODE WITH THE MODIFICATIONS INCORPORATED BY THE DEPARTMENT UNDER § 6-403 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(B) (1) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT THE INITIAL VERSION OF THE MARYLAND BUILDING PERFORMANCE STANDARDS ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1, 1994.

(2) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ADOPT ALL SUBSEQUENT VERSIONS OF THE STANDARDS WITHIN 9 MONTHS OF THE DATE BOCA ISSUES THE BOCA NATIONAL BUILDING CODE.