

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF RULE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the authority vested in the Commissioner of Buildings by Section 643 of the New York City Charter and in accordance with Section 1043 of the Charter, that the Department of Buildings hereby amends Section 403-01 of Chapter 400 of Title 1 of the Official Compilation of the Rules of the City of New York, relating to impact resistant stair and elevator shaft enclosures.

This rule was first published on June 18, 2009 and a public hearing thereon was held on July 23, 2009.

Dated: JUNE 29, 2009
New York, New York


Robert D. LiMandri
Commissioner

Clause (A) of Subparagraph (i) of Paragraph (1) of Subdivision (d) of Section 403-01 of Chapter 400 of Title 1 of the Rules of the City of New York is amended to read as follows:

(A) **Materials.** Impact resistant wall board sheathed on the impact face of the stair or elevator enclosure wall assembly shall be tested by an approved testing agency. The impact face shall be considered the outer surface of the stair or elevator enclosure, on all occupied sides of the building, and shall be comprised of two (2) layers of wall boards. The wall board used as the base layer on the impact face of the enclosure shall be listed by an approved agency to ASTM C1629-06, *Standard Classification for Abuse-Resistant Nondecorated Interior Gypsum Panel Products and Fiber-Reinforced Cement Panels, Hard Body* Impact Classification Level 2, and the wall board used as the finish layer shall be a minimum 5/8 inch (16 mm) gypsum wall board (see Figure 1).

STATEMENT OF BASIS AND PURPOSE

The foregoing rule amendment is promulgated pursuant to the authority of the Commissioner of Buildings under Sections 643 and 1043(a) of the New York City Charter.

This rule established technical standards for the installation of impact resistant stair and elevator shaft enclosures.

This amendment makes an administrative correction to the rule by further specifying the testing criteria of national reference standard ASTM C1629-06 that an approved testing agency must conform to when testing/listing wall boards.