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**Combustible Dust Housekeeping in Woodworking Facilities**

**Code:** 2012 Fire Prevention Code  
**Section:** 1303.2

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**Question:**

Is the owner of a woodworking shop required to follow NFPA 664 if they prepare a cleaning schedule promising to vacuum the shop everyday?

**Answer:**

Yes, Chapter 13 already requires a housekeeping procedure (Section 1303.2) in conjunction with Table 1304.1 which requires NFPA 664. The housekeeping procedure cannot replace the proper design identified in NFPA 664.