

INFORMAL CODE INTERPRETATION

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Vanity Room Exhaust Fan

Code: 2012 Residential Code

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Section: R303.3

Question:

Is an exhaust fan meeting the requirements of Section R303.3 required for a room that contains only vanities or lavatories and no shower, tub, watercloset, or other odor or high humidity producing plumbing fixtures?

Answer:

No. Other ventilation requirements of Section R303 will apply, but the room is not considered a bathroom and is not required to be ventilated as a bathroom.

Keywords:

Toilet, bidet, moisture, smell, mold, damp