

INFORMAL CODE INTERPRETATION

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Termite Inspection Gaps and Energy Trade-off Calculations

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Question:

Is a trade-off energy calculation required for the required termite treatment and inspection gaps required by the Residential Code for slabs and basement walls?

Answer:

No, a trade-off calculation is not required due to the termite inspection and treatment gaps that are required by the Residential Code for slabs and basement walls. The treatment and inspection gaps are critical to allow chemical treatment and monitoring for termite infestation. Trade-off calculations also are not required for the required termite inspection and treatment gaps for insulated crawl space walls.

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