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Date: Thursday, June 5, 2025

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## **Monthly Board Meeting**

1. Minutes from the May 1, 2025 meeting of BFPR submitted for approval.

1. Update on Staff Review for the NFPA 1 2024 Review.

## **Old Business**

- 1. Committee/ Reports
- 1. Administrative Code Committee
  - Minutes March 27, 2025, April 22, 2024, Meeting May 19, 2025, Next Meeting June 4, 2025 (1) (Remote)

- 2. General Requirements Code Committee
  - (1) Minutes April 7, 2025, Meeting April 30, 2025, Next meeting June 11, 2025 (in persons)
- 3. Occupancy Code Committee
  - (1) **Minutes April 5, 2024**, Meeting May 21, 2025, Next meeting June 3, 2025
- 4. Processing Code Committee
  - (1) **Minutes February 4, 2025**, Meeting May 7, 2025
- 5. Equipment Code Committee
  - (1) **Minutes March 21, 2024**, Meeting May 15, 2025
- 6. Hazardous Code Committee
  - (1) Next meeting TBA
- 7. Electrical Interpretation Committee
  - (1) **Minutes March 18, 2025** (Remote), Meeting May 20, 2025
    - i. 527 CMR 12.00, 695 submitted by Carmen Dello lacono, Jr. received January 22, 2025.

Question #1 Does the wiring inspector have jurisdiction of interpretation for MEC Article 695?

Response: Yes

ii. 527 CMR 12.00, 352 submitted by Gustavo Silva received March 31, 2025.

Question 1# Does NEC Article 352 require expansion fittings on a PVC riser mounted to a telephone pole?

Response: No Response

This question was asked before. A copy of the response will be sent back to the sender.

iii. 527 CMR 12.00, 517, 517.10 submitted by Brian Leary received April 1, 2025.

Question #1 Does the requirements of 517.10 apply to tattoo parlors or shops?

Response: No

Question #2 Do the requirements of 517.10 apply to cosmetic procedure stores, example would be botox, laser skin treatments?

Response: No

Question #3 Does the requirements of 517.10 apply to IV bars?

Response: No

iv. 527 CMR 12.00, 215.18 & 230.67 submitted by Samuel Pillsbury received April 4, 2025.

Question 1# If installing a new combination meter/main breaker/load center, which in turn feeds multiple new sub panels, and a surge-protective device is installed at the service equipment as described in article 230.67, are additional surge-protective devices also required at each sub panel as described in article 215.18?

Response: Yes

Question #2 Is a surge-protective device required to be installed in a Solar Inverter Combiner Panel? Solar Inverter manufacturers do not mandate a requirement for the installation of SPDs. These combiner panels are often connected to the premise wiring with a 4-wire (L1,L2,N,G) circuit, but do not supply loads as described in 215.18(A)

Response: No Response

Question needs to be reworded.

Question #3 Is a surge-protective device required in an Energy Storage System Battery Combiner Panel? ESS manufacturers do not mandate a requirement for the installation of SPDs. These Combiner panels are often connected directly to a Gateway/Transfer Switch, but are not used to directly supply loads as described in 215.18(A)

Response: Withdrawn by requestor

v. 527 CMR 12.00, 225.36 submitted by Sarah Andrade received March 17, 2025.

Question #1 In regards to 225.36 would an emergency power off button connected to the OPD at feeder origin be considered a building disconnect under "other approved means" specified in 225.36?

Response: No Response.

Will be resubmitted by the requestor with clarification.

- 8. Massachusetts Electrical Advisory Committee
- 9. BSEE/BFPR Work Group
- 10. Hazmat Work Group

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- 11. Lithium Ion Battery
- 2. Items not reasonably anticipated by the Chair.