



ICC (ASC A117) CONSENSUS COMMITTEE ON ACCESSIBLE AND USABLE BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

**A117.1 Committee Minutes #32
Thursday, May 11, 2023
12-4 Eastern**

Chair: Ken Schoonover

Vice-chair: Gina Hilberry

Secretariat: Karl Aittaniemi; kaittaniemi@iccsafe; 888-422-7233, Ext. 4205

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1) Welcome and Introductions

1) Call to order – the meeting was called to order at 12:00 Eastern

2) Meeting attendance:

Committee members

Ken Schoonover, Chair, Individual Member

Shahriar Amiri, VBCOA, Principal

Doug Anderson, AHLA - Principal

Julius Ballanco, ASPE, Alternate

Tara Barthelmess, NCDOI & OSFM, principal

Trent Behr, National Elevator Industry Inc. (NEII), Alternate

Billie L Bentzen, AERBVI Principal

Gene Boecker, NATO Alternate

Karen L Braitmayer Principal DREDF

Kevin Brinkman, NEII, principal

Wayne Broadfield, Paralyzed Veterans of America- Alternate

Dan Buuck, NAHB, Principal

Nicholas Capezza, PHTA, Principal

Bill Conner ASTC alternate

David Cooper, SMA, Principal

Daniel A Dain, Principal AIA

Glenn Dea, International Sign Association (Principal)

Brad Gaskins, NACS Principal

Alan Gettelman, Individual Member

John S. Gonzalez – ICC (Alternate)

Glenn Hedman, RESNA, Alternate

Gina Hilberry, UCP, Principal, Vice-Chair

Robert Kelly, Montgomery County Principal

Matt Lescher, NATO, Principal

George Lim, SEGD (Alternate)

Allison Lourash, LPA, Principal

Simon Majarian, SEGD (Alternate)

Marsha Mazz, United Spinal Association, Principal

Sean McNamara, Target Corp (Alternate)

Michele Mihelic, AIA (Alternate)
Jeffrey Munsterteiger, NAHB, Alternate
Eunice Noell-Waggoner, IES Alternate
Dan O’Gorman, ASPE, Principal
Kimberly Paarlberg, ICC, Principal
Barbara Padilla, AIA AHLA (alternate)
Jake Pauls, Individual Member
Kenny Peskin, International Sign Association (Alternate)
Hope Reed, NMGCD Alternate
Richard Roberts, NEMP, Principal
Kurt Roeper – Builders Hardware Manufacturers Association
Ed Roether, Individual Member Principal
Nathan Roether, United Spinal, alternate
Josh Schorr, US Access Board, alternate
Leslie Shankman-Cohn ASID (Principal)
Pat Sheehan, ACB, Principal
Koni Sims, ACB, alternate
Kyle Thompson, PMI, (Primary)
Michael Tierney, BHMA
Sharon Toji, HLAA, Principal
Norman Wang, AIA Building Codes Administration, Maryland Dept of Labor
(Principal)
Richard Williams, WABO Alternate
R Duane Wilson, ASTC, Principal
Scott Windley US Access Board Principal
Mary Winkler, American Society of Safety Professionals (ASSP), Alternate

Interested parties:

Maggie Calkins, SAGE
Amy Carpenter, SFCS Architects
Thomas Hirsch, FAIA HIRSCH GROUP ARCHITECTURE
Ashley Pitts, Jensen Hughes (partial meeting attendance)
Laurel Wright, NCOSFM Ret.
Thomas Zuzik Jr – Railingcodes.com, representing NOMMA.org

B. Logistics

- 1) Minutes for 4-27-2023; agenda for 5-11-2023 were approved
- 2) Work groups –
 - Reach over a counter - 3rd presentation April 27, 2023; meetings TBD
 - 06-13 – meetings TBD
 - Adult changing – 2nd presentation May 19, 2022 – meetings TBD
 - Assisted toileting and bathing – March 24, 2022 presentation – meeting TBD
 - Scoping – April 7, 2022 presentation – meetings TBD
 - Accessible bathing – April 21, 2022 presentation – meeting TBD
 - Accessible Communication Features for the Built Environment – meeting every other Wednesday, 1-3 Eastern;

- special thanks to Eunice Noell-Waggoner
- Walking and Wheeled Surfaces – meeting TBD
- Terminology – meeting April 17, 2023, June 12, 26, 2023 –
 - Marsha Mazz appointed as new chair; Dennis Hall has resigned from the task group.
- Membership committee – letter for non-participation in development.

C. Administrative items

- The revised proposals are available at - [A117.1 Public proposals 2-8-2022](#)
- Information on the meetings and development of the 2023 edition of the standard will be posted at [A117.1 webpage](#)
- Ballots for proposals heard through July 28, 2022 were sent to the committee. Deadline for the ballot was **Sept. 6, 2022.**
- Ballots for proposals heard through January 19, 2023 were sent to the committee. Deadline for the ballot was **March 6, 2023.**

D. ICC A117.1 development procedures –

E. Review of Proposals:

The following proposals were decided during the call. See the report for official committee reasons and final actions. Any items remaining on the agenda will roll to the next agenda -

Chapter 3

03-16 Reach over counter – AM 30-1-1

Chapter 4

04-09 –Walking and Wheeled Surfaces task group – AS 8-22-0; D 30-0-1

Chapter 5

05-16 – RESNA ED-1 – D 30-0-2

Chapter 6

06-17 –Walking and Wheeled Surfaces task group AS – 9-20-4; D 29-3-1

Appendix

A-01 – The following are discussion points during the meeting –

Discussion of Appendix –

- That the overall goal is to harmonize as much as possible with existing scoping (IBC, ADA Standards, etc.) and not increase existing scoping.
- That the Committee structure may need to be adjusted to achieve efficiency and adequacy of representation by interested parties.
- That the IBC is not the only user of the Standard. Scoping is necessary for the Standard to be adopted by entities that do not use

the building codes – such as universities or other non-governmental agencies.

- That this would be duplicative of existing scoping in the IBC and in some state codes and cause confusion for architects, builders, code officials who prefer one set of rules and more work for jurisdictions in their adoption process.
- That it is not known how this would affect HUD’s review for ‘safe harbor’?
- That the proposal may not cover all of the IBC scoping.
- That the proposal would not be adequate solely as a substitute for IBC Chapter 11 because of the interrelationship of accessibility provisions in the other I-Codes.

- Maintenance –
 - That there could be a problem with coordination between A117, IBC and ADA over time given the different timing of their revision cycles.
 - That this would substantially increase the work load of the committee and the people who participate in all forums.
 - Whether scoping is necessary in the Standard given the successful treatment of scoping in the IBC.
 - That this committee is the only forum in which people with disabilities have a significant voice and a vote. Advocates generally do not have the resources to participate in the ICC Code Development Process. The industry reps that participate in the IBC Chapter 11 process are largely the same who are members of or participate in this process.

Adoption ordinance –

- Errata for title of ordinance.
- This is a sample adoption ordinance. Scoping is addressed in the new appendix.
- Effective date, if not at time of adoption?

Item A201.1 –

- Issue with ‘newly designed’ when it relates to a building code.
 - While under ADA you can submit a complaint on a building that has not been built yet, this should be deleted here.
 - Newly designed is addressed during the review process – so it should stay.
- New construction and existing building scoping is addressed later in the appendix. This could be more generic. It may be sufficient to just say “New construction and alterations”.
- Is this intended to be enforced by the building department? A code official cannot address operational concerns addressed in civil rights laws.

- Look at IBC Section 102.2 Other laws. While this is in the sample ordinance in Item 10, this may be needed in the text.
- Should ‘elements’ be included to address previously constructed items such as signs.

Tabled to continue discussion at the next meeting.

- The chair indicated that discussion will proceed in sequence from beginning to end rather than jumping around in the proposal and instructed the meeting participants to prepare for the next meeting by looking ahead and being prepared to discuss the next block(s) of subject matter. It would be preferable (not required, just preferable) to wait to submit modifications until after a block of text has been discussed and develop and submit modifications to that text at the following meeting. Provide modifications to staff using the modification [form](#) posted on ICC A117.1 webpage under Administration.
- The chair requested that the agenda identify blocks of portions of the proposal in sections to limit the scope of discussion by topic.

F) New business:

G) Future meetings:

- 1) Calls will be every other Thursday, from Noon to 4:00 pm Eastern.
The meeting dates for 2022 are:
March 10, 24; April 7, 21; May 5, 19; June 2, 16, 30; July 14, 28; August 11, 25;
Sept. 8, 22; Oct. 6, 20; Nov. 3, 17; Dec. 1, 15, 2022.
Meeting dates for 2023 are:
Jan. 5 and 19, Feb. 2 and 16, March 2, 16 and 30, April 13 and 27, May 11 and 25, June 8 and 22.
- 2) Information on the meetings and development of the 2023 edition of the standard will be posted at [ICC A117.1 webpage](#)
- 3) Any questions contact Karl Aittaniemi; kaittaniemi@iccsafe; 888-422-7233, Ext. 4205

H) Adjourn – Meeting was adjourned at 4:10.