How to use the CAN Matrix

A Code Application Notice (CAN) is issued to interpret specific section(s) of the California Building Standards Code (Title 24) that may otherwise seem to be confusing or vague. A CAN, as OSHPD's formal interpretation, is enforceable as though it is contained within Title 24. The building code or regulation may be changed in a future edition of Title 24 such that the CAN is no longer necessary. OSHPD derives its authority to issue interpretations of building codes and standards that it adopts from the following sources:

Health and Safety Code Section 129851: Written rules and regulations by the department to clarify the application of the California Building Standards Code pursuant to this chapter shall be made available to the public upon request.

California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 24, Part 2, Section 104.1: The building official is hereby authorized and directed to enforce the provisions of this code. The building official shall have the authority to render interpretations of this code and to adopt policies and procedures in order to clarify the application of its provisions. Such interpretations, policies and procedures shall be in compliance with the intent and purpose of this code. Such policies and procedures shall not have effect of waiving requirements specifically provided for in this code.

Some CANs may be brought forward to subsequent code editions from the edition for which it was initially created. In some cases, OSHPD has reissued these CANS showing the new code edition although no significant changes were made to the CAN. However, going forward if there is no change in a code section or its interpretation from the previous CAN issued for that code section, the relevancy of the CAN will be shown as applying forward to the newly adopted code via this matrix.

An "N" in the matrix means a new CAN or a previous CAN to which changes or updates have been made. A red "N" in the matrix means a new Advisory Guide that replaces the previous CAN as of the date the Advisory Guide is published on the HCAI website. A red X in the matrix means an Advisory Guide brought forward from the most recent effective edition.

An "X" in the matrix means a CAN brought forward from the most recent issued and effective edition. This may also mean a CAN that has been revised from a previous edition for code editions prior to the 2025 Title 24.

CAN MATRIX - Rev. 12/10/2025

CAN	2025	2022	2019	2016	2013	2010
1-0 Enforceable Codes	N	N	Х	Х	Х	
2-0 OSHPD Jurisdiction	N	N	Х	Х	Х	
1-6-1.4.5.1 Change in SPC Category						Х
1-6-1.4.5.1.4 Removal of Acute Care						Х
1-7-103 OSHPD Jurisdiction						Х
1-7-133 Fees						Х
1-7-133(k) Seismic Examination		Х	Х			
1-7-153 Amended Construction Docs			Х			
1-7-153(a) Materially Alter					Х	
1-7-153(b) Non-Material Alterations	Х	N				
1-7-214 Suspension/Revocation of IOR					Х	
1-7-2100 Clinics	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
2-1.10.6 OSHPD 6 Chemical Dependency		N				
Recovery Hospitals						
2-11B Accessibility in Health Facilities	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	X
2-102.6 Remodel (Refer to Advisory Guide	Х	N	Х	Х	Х	X
A14 – Remodel (Alteration, Addition, Change						
of Occupancy, Change of Function, or						
Repair))						
2-108 Temporary Structures and Uses	X	N	X	X	Х	Х
2-1224.4.4.4.2 Self-contained Medication	Х	N				
Dispensing Units						
2-302.2 Use Designation (subordinate uses)	Х	N				
2-407.2.2 Nurses' Station	Х	N	Х	Х	Х	Х
2-407.4.1 Direct Corridor Access	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	
2-442.2.3 Location of Combustion Engine	Х	Х	Х			
2-508 Separation at Passenger Drop-off			Х			
2-703.2 Rebar in Lieu of Wire Mesh	Х	N	Х	Х	Х	Х
2-703.3 Engineering Judgments	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х
2-903.2.21 Automatic sprinkler system and	Х	N				
fire protection at required exterior entrance						
covers						
2-907.5.2.3.1 Visible Fire Alarms					Х	
2-1912A.1 Anchors Installed in Concrete						
2-2508.2.1 Weather Prot of Gypsum Bd	X	X	X	X	X	X
(Refer to Advisory Guide A12 – Weather		N				
Protection for Interior Gypsum Wallboard)						
2-3009 Elevators in Hospitals		.	-		X	
3-517.30(B.1)(4) Health Care Microgrids as		N				
Type 1 EES Service						
3-517.30(B)(5) Health Care Microgrids as	N					
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3-517.40(b) Elec Life-Support Eq for SNF	X	X	X	X	X	X
(Refer to Advisory Guide A6 – Alternate		N				

Sources of Power for SNFs)						
4-316.0 Essential Elec Power for Heat						Х
4-326.0 Essential Elec Power for Heat					Х	
4-408.1.5 Humidifiers						X
5-310.9 Overhead Piping				Х	Χ	
5-311.9 Overhead Piping						X
9-901.7 Fire Watch	Х	N				
9-907.2.6.2.2 Patient Room Smoke Det	Х	Х	Х			
9-1401 Fire-Resist Assemblies and Const						Х
9-3301 Fire-Resist Assemblies and Const			Х	Х	Х	