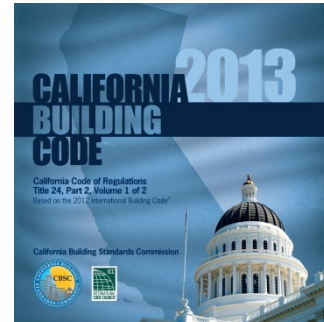


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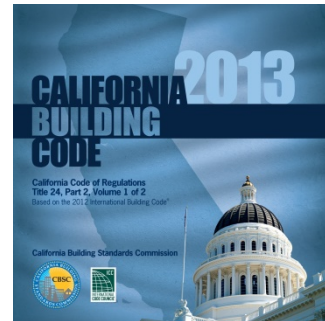
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California Building Code (CBC)

- California Building Code (CBC), the ADA and the International Building Code (IBC)

**California has adopted the general requirements of the changes to the ADA 2010 changes to comply with the IBC . . .
but, not all of the changes**



California Building Code (CBC)

- The **ADA** lists “Required Systems” as:

“In each **assembly area** where audible communications is integral to the use of the space, an assistive listening system shall be provided.” **ADA 216.10**



California Building Code (CBC)

- What is the definition of an “assembly area?”

“In the ADA Section 106.5 it defines an **“Assembly Area”** as:

Assembly Area. A building or facility, or portion thereof, used for the purpose of entertainment, educational or civic gatherings, or similar purposes. For the purposes of these requirements, assembly areas include, but are not limited to:

Classrooms, lecture halls, courtrooms, public meeting rooms, public hearing rooms, legislative chambers, motion picture houses, auditoria, theatres, playhouses, dinner theatres, concert halls, centers for the performing arts, amphitheaters, arenas, stadiums, grandstands, or convention centers.

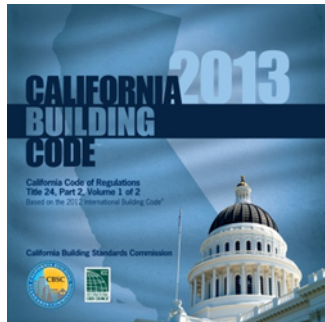


California Building Code (CBC)

- What is the definition of an “assembly area?”

“In the CBC it adds to the definition of **“Assembly Area”** as:

“An assistive listening system shall be provided in assembly areas, including **conference and meeting rooms.**”



CBC: 11B-219.2

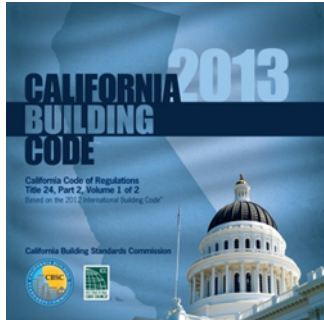


California Building Code (CBC)

- What is unique about the CBC compared to the ADA?

“In the CBC it adds **“Religious Facilities.”**”

“Religious facilities shall be accessible in accordance with the provisions in the code.”



CBC: 11B-244.1



Reminder of the ADA Requirements

March 15, 2012

Table 219.3 Receivers for Assistive Listening Systems

| Seating capacity of assembly area | Minimum number of required receivers | Minimum number of receivers required to be hearing-aid compatible |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|
| 50 or less | 2 | 2 |
| 51 to 200 | 2, plus 1 per 25 seats over 50 seats* | 2 |
| 201 to 500 | 2, plus 1 per 25 seats over 50 seats* | 1 per 4 receivers* |
| 501 to 1000 | 20, plus 1 per 33 seats over 500 seats* | 1 per 4 receivers* |
| 1001 to 2000 | 35, plus 1 per 50 seats over 1000 seats* | 1 per 4 receivers* |
| 2001 and over | 55 plus 1 per 100 seats over 2000 seats* | 1 per 4 receivers* |

*or fraction thereof.

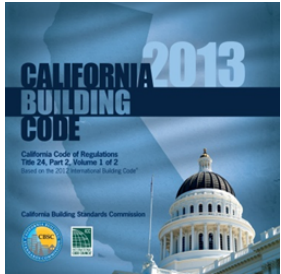
EXCEPTIONS:

1. Where a building contains more than one assembly area and the assembly areas required to provide assistive listening systems are under one management, the total number of required receivers shall be permitted to be calculated according to the total number of seats in the assembly areas in the building provided that all receivers are usable with all systems.
2. Where all seats in an assembly area are served by an induction loop assistive listening system, the minimum number of receivers required by 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design Table 219.3 to be hearing-aid compatible shall not be required to be provided.



The CBC Requirements in comparison

| California Building Code | | |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| Seating Capacity | Minimum Number of Receivers | Minimum Number of Receivers that are Hearing Aid Compatible |
| 1 – 50 Seats | 2 | 2 |
| 50 Seats or, more | 4% of Total Seating Capacity | 25% |

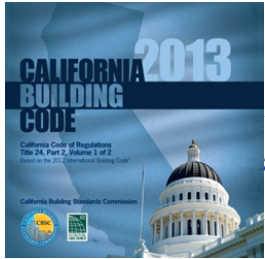


The CBC Requirements in comparison

- **The minimum number of receivers**

Unlike the ADA with the graduated scale of the number of receivers that decline as your seating capacity go upward.

The CBC has held onto the 4% Requirement of the total Seating Capacity of the venue, along with the 25% neck loop requirement in Section 11B-706.3



CBC 11B-219.3



The CBC Requirements

- **Permanent and Portable Systems**

Permanently installed assistive listening systems are required in areas if:

- (1) They accommodate at least 50 people or, if they use audio-amplification systems, and
- (2) They have fixed seating

CBC 11B-219.5

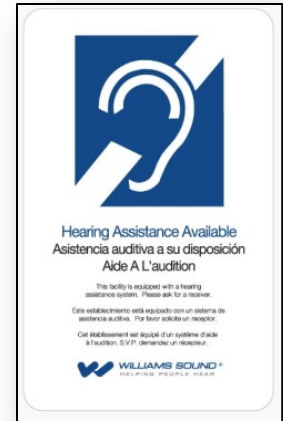
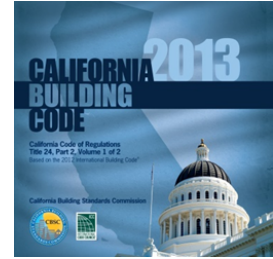


The CBC ALS Signage Requirements

- **Signs to inform patrons of the ALS**

Each assembly area is required by Section 11-B219 to provide assistive listening systems, shall provide signs informing patrons of the availability of the assistive listening system.

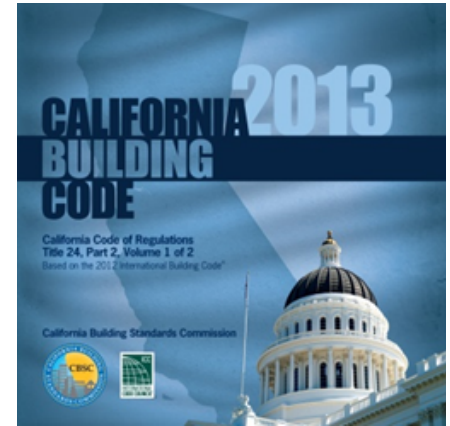
These ALS signs shall comply with the 703.5 and shall include the International Symbol of Access for Hearing loss complying with CBC 11B-703.2.4



The California Building Code

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