

**CITY OF BALTIMORE**  
**ORDINANCE \_\_\_\_\_**  
**Council Bill 18-0259**

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Introduced by: Councilmember Dorsey, President Young, Councilmembers Bullock, Henry,  
Cohen, Middleton, Sneed, Clarke, Scott, Pinkett, Stokes, Burnett  
Introduced and read first time: June 4, 2018  
Assigned to: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee  
Committee Report: Favorable with amendments  
Council action: Adopted  
Read second time: August 6, 2018

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**AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING**

**Fire Code – ~~Repealing Appendix D~~ Fire Apparatus Access Roads**

FOR the purpose of amending the City Fire Code to repeal Appendix D {“Fire Apparatus Access Roads”}; requiring consideration of the National Association of City Transportation Officials (NACTO) Urban Street Design Guide for fire apparatus access roads; and providing for a special effective date.

BY repealing and reordaining, with amendments  
Article - Building, Fire, and Related Codes  
Section 8-102 (FC §§ 101.2 and List of Appendices and § 503.2.1)  
Baltimore City Revised Code  
(2015 Edition)

**SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE,** That the Laws of Baltimore City read as follows:

**Baltimore City Revised Code**

**Article – Building, Fire, and Related Codes**

**Part VIII. International Fire Code**

**§ 8-102. City modifications.**

The additions, deletions, amendments, and other modifications adopted by the City are as follows:

**Chapter 1. Scope and Administration**

**Section 101 General**

**101.2 Scope. *{As in IFC}***

**EXPLANATION:** CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law.  
[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.  
Underlining indicates matter added to the bill by amendment.  
~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from existing law by amendment.

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1 **101.2.1 Appendices adopted.** The following appendices to the International Fire Code  
2 are adopted as part of this Code:

- 3 1. Appendix B: “Fire-Flow Requirements for Buildings”.
- 4 [2. Appendix D: “Fire Apparatus Access Roads”.]
- 5 2. [3.] Appendix E: “Hazard Categories”.
- 6 3. [4.] Appendix F: “Hazard Ranking”.
- 7 4. [5.] Appendix G: “Cryogenic Fluids – Weight and Volume Equivalents”.
- 8 5. [6.] Appendix H: “Hazardous Materials Management Plan (HMMP) and
- 9 Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement (HMIS)”.

10 **101.2.2 Appendices not adopted.** The following appendices to the International Fire  
11 Code are not adopted as part of this Code:

- 12 1. Appendix A: “Board of Appeals”.
- 13 2. Appendix C: “Fire Hydrant Locations and Distribution”.
- 14 3. APPENDIX D: “FIRE APPARATUS ACCESS ROADS”.
- 15 4. [3.] Appendix I: “Fire Protection Systems – Noncompliant Conditions”.
- 16 5. [4.] Appendix J: “Building Information Signs”.
- 17 6. [5.] Appendix K: “Construction Requirements for Existing Ambulatory
- 18 Care Facilities”.
- 19 7. [6.] Appendix L: “Requirements for Fire Fighter Air Replenishment Systems”.
- 20 8. [7.] Appendix M: “High-Rise Buildings – Retroactive Automatic Sprinkler
- 21 Requirement”.

22 **Appendices**

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24 **APPENDIX D**  
 25 **FIRE APPARATUS ACCESS ROADS**  
 26 **{As in IFC} {NOT ADOPTED}**

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Chapter 5. Fire Service Features

Sections 501 to 502 [504] {As in IFC}

Section 503 Fire Apparatus Access Roads

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503.2 Specifications. Fire apparatus access roads shall be installed and arranged in accordance with Sections 503.2.1 through 503.2.8.

503.2.1 Dimensions. Fire Apparatus access roads shall have an unobstructed width of not less than 20 feet (6096 mm), exclusive of shoulders, except for approved security gates in accordance with Section 503.6 and an unobstructed vertical clearance of not less than 13 feet 6 inches (4115 mm).

EXCEPTIONS: PUBLIC STREETS SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CITY TRANSPORTATION OFFICIALS (NACTO) URBAN STREET DESIGN GUIDE.

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SECTION 504 {AS IN IFC}

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That the catchlines contained in this Ordinance are not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as a part of this or any prior Ordinance.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That this Ordinance takes effect on the date it is enacted.

Certified as duly passed this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

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President, Baltimore City Council

Certified as duly delivered to Her Honor, the Mayor,

this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

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Chief Clerk

Approved this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

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Mayor, Baltimore City