



## California State Fire Marshal **CODE INTERPRETATION**

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Topic	Group B Fire Alarm, application requirements during remodeling		
Code Section(s)	<b>2007 California Fire Code Section 907.2</b>		
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Is a fire alarm system required to be installed in an existing Group B office building that has an occupant load of more than 100 on the 2nd floor and is undergoing remodeling?

**If the building was originally permitted prior to the adoption of the 2007 California Building Standards Codes, the provisions of 907.2.2 would not apply as this is not a new building. However, if this building was originally permitted under the 2007 California Building Standards Codes the provisions of 907.2.2 would have been required.**

**The dilemma is where an existing building was constructed prior to the 2007 California Building Standards Codes and the building undergoes substantial alteration, the project must be addressed on a case-by-case basis by the enforcing agency.**