



California State Fire Marshal **CODE INTERPRETATION**

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Topic	Interior Finishes		
Code Section(s)	§ 802.2 and §804, California Building Code (2001 ed)		
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We are requesting an interpretation as to whether the flame spread ratings of Section 802.2 and Section 804 of the California Building Code are applicable to partitions used in restrooms in school occupancies.

Partitions separating toilet stalls are considered fixed partitions since they are not easily or readily remove. Since they are considered fixed partitions, they would be subject to the flame spread and smoke density provisions of Chapter 8, of the California Building Code (2001 ed). However, the provisions of Chapter 8 and ASTM Standard E-84 (Tunnel Test) will not be applicable when foam plastics or other plastic materials are utilized as fixed partitions. It should be noted that foam plastic insulation and light-transmitting plastic materials must comply with the provisions of Section 2602 of the California Building Code (2001ed).