

Fire Prevention Division

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ELECTRIC BASEBOARD AND WALL UNIT HEATERS

A. Scope and Purpose

To establish minimum acceptable clearances from combustibles and electric baseboard and wall unit heaters.

B. Code Authority

International Fire Code section 603 and International Mechanical Code.

C. Special Provisions

1. A clear space of not less than six inches shall be maintained in front of and above all electrical baseboard and wall unit heaters.
2. Combustible furniture, drapes or similar materials shall not be placed within this minimum clear space.
3. All electric baseboard and wall unit heaters shall be maintained in proper operating condition in accordance with the original design and in a safe and hazard-free condition.