



# BROWARD COUNTY BOARD OF RULES AND APPEALS

## FBC 8<sup>TH</sup> EDITION (2023) FORMAL INTERPRETATION (#28)

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**DATE:** October 12, 2023  
**TO:** All Building Officials  
**FROM:** Dr. Ana Barbosa, Administrative Director  
**SUBJECT:** Retrofitting Roof-to-Wall Connections

At its regularly scheduled meeting on October 12, 2023, the Broward County Board of Rules and Appeals approved an interpretation of Section 603.9, Florida Building Code, Existing Building 2023 8th Edition (2023) Sections 706.8 through 706.8.1.7

The interpretation is to clarify the provisions of The Florida Building Code Existing Building 2023 8<sup>th</sup> Edition Sections 706.8 through 706.8.1.7. for retrofitting roof-to-wall connections when reroofing existing buildings.

### ***Formal Interpretation:***

1. If the cost of retrofitting all prioritized and non-prioritized elements is 15% or less, then both elements are to be retrofitted.
2. If the cost of retrofitting prioritized elements is less than 15%, but with the addition of non-prioritized elements, the sum is greater than 15%, then only the prioritized elements are to be retrofitted.
3. If the cost of retrofitting prioritized elements is greater than 15%, then neither prioritized nor non-prioritized elements are to be retrofitted.
4. It is not the intent of the Florida Building Code to improve only a portion of the "prioritized elements" up to 15 percent of the cost of the reroofing. Prioritized elements must be capable of complete retrofit at a cost no greater than 15% of the cost of the reroofing, or there is no requirement for improvement.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 12, 2021  
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