

**DIVISION OF BUILDING SAFETY
APPLICATION FOR REVIEW OF A PROPOSED STATEWIDE AMENDMENT
TO STATE ADOPTED CODES
2012 Code Adoption Cycle**

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1. State Building Code to be Amended:

International Energy Conservation & Residential Code

Section: Chapter 4 & 11

Page: R29 – R32 & 481

2. Applicant Name:

Idaho Association of Building Officials

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5. Proposed Code Amendment.

Code: IECC & IRC 2012 **Section:** Table R402.1.1, N1102.1.1 **Page:** R29&481

1. Amend the values under the column "Ceiling R-value" for climate Zone 5 and Zone 6:

Zone 5: 49-38

Zone 6: 49-38

2. Amend Table R402.4.1.1 under "Walls" in the criteria column, after "Knee walls shall be sealed."

Knee walls shall have insulation installed as per exterior walls with six-sided encasement.

Air barriers are required behind outlet boxes on exterior walls.
Cavity insulation values in exterior walls shall be as follows: R-20 for foam, or R-21 for fiberglass batt insulation.

3. Delete Section R402.4.1.2 in its entirety.

~~R402.1.2 Testing. [Section through 6. To the end]~~

Part I. Background information on amendment.

1. The Idaho Association of Building Officials, the Northwest Energy Efficiency Alliance and K-Energy were present in discussions of the relative strictness of the 2012 IECC over the 2009 IECC. In addition to the amendments carried-over from the 2009 IECC concerning Log Homes, the less stringent amendments contained in this proposal were felt to be in the best interests of homeowners, contractors, and inspectors who have been pledged by the Governor to become 90-percent compliant with the 2009 IECC. Some jurisdictions in Idaho are not yet enforcing the 2009 IECC. A disparity between jurisdictions makes it more difficult to administer the code. Additionally, the deletion of the testing requirement avoids an expense of \$150-\$300. Many jurisdictions are not yet ready for this testing process; and the contractors and homeowners are not yet ready to bear the expense.
2. These amendments do not affect other codes.

Part II. Amendment Benefit: See Above