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Study Guide For The Codes Guidebook For Interiors





Synopsis

Codes are meant to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public. Interior designers must have a basic understanding of the various codes that are involved in designing interiors--whether they are working with new spaces or renovating existing ones. Codes and standards with interior provisions include, among others, the new International Building Code, the 3 model building codes (UBC, SBCCI, BOCA), the Life Safety Code, and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

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Customer Reviews

I am an interior design student (middle-aged career changer) who just finished a semester-long "Interior Codes and Standards" course using this book, so I did not purchase it entirely voluntarily. I concur with "Mary" that this is overkill for a student text. We were not able to get through the entire book in one semester, the chapters were just too long and too detailed to get through quickly. It's also a just plain miserable read - very dense, not well organized, with a lot of awkward sentence constructions that made things somewhat unclear. Most of the calculations were not well explained and a few had errors.Not one of the dozen students in my class had a single good thing to say about the book, except that it was heavy enough to be good for killing bugs (and the slick cover finish wiped off easily afterward, ha ha ha) and it does make a very satisfying thump when you chuck it across the room in frustration. ;) Many ID students go into that field specifically BECAUSE they are visually oriented learners/thinkers rather than verbally/textually oriented ones, and my classmates who were of that inclination found the book almost impenetrable. As "Mary" said, many more illustrations and diagrams could have helped in that respect, but mostly I think it should have been edited quite brutally. I AM a words-oriented person and still found the book very tough going - I had to convert my rental into a purchase because I found it incomprehensible without an enormous amount of highlighting and marginal notes. Speaking of highlighting, even with highlighters alleged to be bleedproof, the paper on which this book is printed sucked up the ink such that the opposite sides of the pages were spotted and streaked with neon colors.

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