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DOCUMENT: 2007 / 2002 / 1997 Kentucky Building
2007 / 2002 Kentucky Residential Code
1995 CABO One and Two Family Dwelling Code

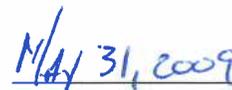
SUBJECT: Calculating the required opening for emergency escape windows
Section 1026 – 2007 KBC
Section 1009 – 2002 KBC
Section 1010.4 – 1995 CABO
Section 310.1.1 – 2007 & 2002 KRC

QUESTION: Can the net clear window opening required for emergency escape and rescue openings by the KBC or KRC be achieved by removing both sashes?

ANSWER: No.

COMMENTARY: The KBC and Section KRC state that the net clear opening dimensions shall be the result of normal operation of the opening. The act of removing parts of the window unit in order to achieve the net clear opening requirement is not part of the normal operation of the window.


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Date

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