

**322.550 Buildings or additions to existing buildings requiring services of an architect or of either a professional engineer or an architect.**

- (1) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the following buildings, or additions to existing buildings, classified by use group shall require the services of an architect licensed in the Commonwealth of Kentucky:
  - (a) Assembly use group having a capacity of one hundred (100) persons or more, except church buildings having a capacity of four hundred (400) persons or less or six thousand (6,000) square feet or less;
  - (b) Business use group having a capacity of one hundred (100) persons or more;
  - (c) Institutional use group, regardless of capacity;
  - (d) Mercantile use group having a capacity of one hundred (100) persons or more;
  - (e) Residential use group of more than twelve (12) dwelling units or having a capacity of fifty (50) persons or more;
  - (f) Educational use groups, regardless of capacity; and
  - (g) Mixed use group containing one (1) or more of the use group classifications and capacities listed under paragraphs (a) to (f) of this subsection.
- (2) Alterations or new construction requiring compliance with the Kentucky Building Code for any building containing one (1) or more of the use group classifications and capacities listed under subsection (1) of this section shall require the services of an architect licensed in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, but if alterations or new construction predominately involve primarily structural components or mechanical or electrical systems, then services may be performed by one (1) or more licensed professional engineers.
- (3) Buildings or additions to existing buildings, which contain one (1) or more of the use group classifications and capacities listed under subsection (1) of this section, shall require, in addition to the services of an architect, the services of one (1) or more licensed engineers.
- (4) The following buildings and additions to existing buildings, classified by use group, shall require the services of either a professional engineer or architect licensed in the Commonwealth of Kentucky:
  - (a) Factory and industrial use group having a capacity of one hundred (100) persons or more;
  - (b) High hazard use group, regardless of capacity;
  - (c) Storage use group having a capacity of one hundred (100) persons or more; and
  - (d) Utility and miscellaneous use groups having a capacity of one hundred (100) persons or more.
- (5) The services required in subsections (1) to (4) of this section shall include the administration of construction contracts.

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