



DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

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Bruce J. Spiewak, AIA, Consulting Architect, LLC
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Re: Interpretation of 2018 CT State Building Code IRC Definition of One-family Dwelling

Mr. Spiewak,

In your email of July 11, 2019 you requested a formal interpretation regarding the intent of the IRC definition of "one-family dwelling". Specifically you ask – does this definition allow for up to 6 boarders or lodgers in addition to the family of related persons who are the primary occupants of the dwelling?

Answer:

The State Building Code defines a one-family dwelling as: "*A building containing one dwelling unit with not more than six lodgers or boarders. Also known as a single-family dwelling.*" This definition would allow up to six unrelated boarders to reside in a residence defined as a *one-family dwelling*.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "J. Cassidy", is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Joseph V. Cassidy, P.E.
State Building Inspector