

# SDCI

## Director's Rule 14-2019

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### BACKGROUND

Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections (SDCI) completed the comprehensive update of Seattle's Shoreline Master Program regulations in 2015. SDCI has identified a code drafting error regarding height exceptions for floating homes. This Director's Rule explains the intent of regulations regarding the height exceptions for floating homes and interprets these standards.

## **RULE**

For existing floating homes or new additions 21-ft in height or lower, open railings, chimneys, and mechanical vents are allowed to exceed the height requirements in subsection 23.60A.202.D.5 to the minimum extent necessary to satisfy the provisions of the Building Code . Open railings are limited to 36 inches in height.