



## California State Fire Marshal **CODE INTERPRETATION**

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Topic	WUI-7A standards for new detached garage		
Code Section(s)	2016 CRC §337.1.3		
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### **Question 1:**

If a property has an existing house on it that was permitted and built prior to July 1, 2008 and the house does not comply with WUI-7A standards, shall a new, detached garage (or shop, barn, etc.) comply with WUI-7A standards?

### **No.**

If you meet one or more of the applicable exceptions 1-4 of 2016 CRC section 337.1.3.

### **Question 2:**

The exceptions refer to an “Applicable Building”, is the existing house the applicable building?

### **Yes**

The “applicable building” refers to the existing structure, which shall comply with R337.1.3.1 for application date where required.

### **Refer to Information Bulletin 17-001**

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