

advance for no less than one but no more than two semiannual periods, except as provided under 4.8, 4.9, and 4.12. Fees may be paid using cash, credit or debit card, or check or money order payable to the postmaster. A mailed payment must be received by the postmaster on or before the due date. [Amend heading of 4.6 and amend text to read as follows:]

#### 4.6 Service Period

Except under 4.9, the beginning date for a post office box service period is determined by the approval date of the application. The period begins on the first day of the same month the application is approved if approval is on or before the 15th of the month. If approved after the 15th of the month, the period begins the first day of the following month. Thereafter, fees for service renewal may be paid and Group E post office box service renewal notification may be effected any time during the last 30 days of the service period, but no later than the last day of the service period.

[Add new 4.7 to read as follows:]

#### 4.7 Group E Renewal

Group E post office box service and renewal are for an annual (12-month) period.

[Redesignate current 4.7 as 4.8; no other changes.]

[Redesignate current 4.8 as 4.9, and amend heading and text to read as follows:]

#### 4.9 Exception for Small Offices

Postmasters at non-city delivery and non-delivery offices with fewer than 500 post office boxes may set April 1 and October 1 as the beginning payment periods for box customers in their offices. Payment periods beginning other than April 1 or October 1 are brought into alignment with these respective dates by adjusting fees as follows:

a. New service, one-sixth of the semiannual fee is charged for each remaining month between the beginning of the new payment period and the next April 1 or October 1.

b. Existing service, one-sixth of the semiannual fee is charged for each remaining month between the end of all currently paid periods and the next April 1 or October 1.

c. Next one or two semiannual payment periods, an adjustment may be accepted in addition to fees.

[Redesignate current 4.9, 4.10, and 4.11 as 4.10, 4.11, and 4.12 respectively; no other changes:]

#### 5.0 FEE GROUP ASSIGNMENTS

##### 5.1 Post Offices

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[Amend 5.1.b to read as follows:]

b. Post Office With Only Rural or Highway Contract Carrier Delivery. A post office that does not provide city carrier delivery but provides only rural carrier or highway contract carrier delivery at any of its administered facilities applies Group D fees, except as provided in 5.3. A customer whose physical residence or business location is within the geographic delivery ZIP Code boundaries administered by that non-city delivery post office, who is ineligible for any form of carrier delivery service, and who does not receive carrier delivery via an out-of-bounds delivery receptacle, may obtain one post office box service through a box of the smallest available size (i.e., the smallest box currently vacant) at the Group E fee (no-fee). Boxes at Group E fees are also available as provided under 5.1c. \* \* \*

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An appropriate amendment to 39 CFR 111.3 will be published to reflect these changes.

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## FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

### 44 CFR Part 65

#### Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, FEMA.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** Modified base (1% annual chance) flood elevations are finalized for the communities listed below. These modified elevations will be used to calculate flood insurance premium rates for new buildings and their contents.

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** The effective dates for these modified base flood elevations are indicated on the following table and revise the Flood Insurance Rate Map(s) (FIRMs) in effect for each listed community prior to this date.

**ADDRESSES:** The modified base flood elevations for each community are available for inspection at the office of the Chief Executive Officer of each community. The respective addresses are listed in the following table.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Matthew B. Miller, P.E., Chief, Hazards

Study Branch, Mitigation Directorate, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3461.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Federal Emergency Management Agency makes the final determinations listed below of modified base flood elevations for each community listed. These modified elevations have been published in newspapers of local circulation and ninety (90) days have elapsed since that publication. The Associate Director has resolved any appeals resulting from this notification.

The modified base flood elevations are not listed for each community in this notice. However, this rule includes the address of the Chief Executive Officer of the community where the modified base flood elevation determinations are available for inspection.

The modifications are made pursuant to section 206 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, 42 U.S.C. 4105, and are in accordance with the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, 42 U.S.C. 4001 *et seq.*, and with 44 CFR part 65.

For rating purposes, the currently effective community number is shown and must be used for all new policies and renewals.

The modified base flood elevations are the basis for the floodplain management measures that the community is required to either adopt or to show evidence of being already in effect in order to qualify or to remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program.

These modified elevations, together with the floodplain management criteria required by 44 CFR 60.3, are the minimum that are required. They should not be construed to mean that the community must change any existing ordinances that are more stringent in their floodplain management requirements. The community may at any time enact stricter requirements of its own, or pursuant to policies established by other Federal, state or regional entities.

These modified elevations are used to meet the floodplain management requirements of the NFIP and are also used to calculate the appropriate flood insurance premium rates for new buildings built after these elevations are made final, and for the contents in these buildings.

The changes in base flood elevations are in accordance with 44 CFR 65.4.

#### National Environmental Policy Act

This rule is categorically excluded from the requirements of 44 CFR Part 10, Environmental Consideration. No

environmental impact assessment has been prepared.

#### Regulatory Flexibility Act

The Associate Director, Mitigation Directorate, certifies that this rule is exempt from the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act because modified base flood elevations are required by the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, 42 U.S.C. 4105, and are required to maintain community eligibility in the National Flood Insurance Program. No regulatory flexibility analysis has been prepared.

#### Regulatory Classification

This final rule is not a significant regulatory action under the criteria of

section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866 of September 30, 1993, Regulatory Planning and Review, 58 FR 51735.

#### Executive Order 12612, Federalism

This rule involves no policies that have federalism implications under Executive Order 12612, Federalism, dated October 26, 1987.

#### Executive Order 12778, Civil Justice Reform

This rule meets the applicable standards of section 2(b)(2) of Executive Order 12778.

#### List of Subjects in 44 CFR Part 65

Flood insurance, Floodplains, Reporting and recordkeeping

requirements. Accordingly, 44 CFR part 65 is amended to read as follows:

#### PART 65—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for part 65 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 4001 *et seq.*; Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1978, 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p. 329; E.O. 12127, 44 FR 19367, 3 CFR, 1979 Comp., p. 376.

#### § 65.4 [Amended]

2. The tables published under the authority of § 65.4 are amended as follows:

State and county	Location	Dates and name of newspaper where notice was published	Chief executive officer of community	Effective date of modification	Community No.
Florida: Duval (FEMA Docket No. 7233).	City of Jacksonville	July 8, 1997, July 15, 1997, <i>The Florida Times-Union</i> .	The Honorable John A. Delaney, Mayor of the City of Jacksonville, City Hall, 220 East Bay Street, 14th Floor, Jacksonville, Florida 32202.	July 1, 1997 .....	120077 E
Illinois:					
Cook (FEMA Docket No. 7213).	City of Prospect Heights.	February 7, 1997, February 14, 1997, <i>Daily Herald</i> .	The Honorable Edward P. Rotchford, Mayor of the City of Prospect Heights, 1 North Elmhurst Road, Prospect Heights, Illinois 60070.	January 30, 1997	170919 B
DuPage County (FEMA Docket No. 7233).	Village of Lisle .....	July 25, 1997, August 1, 1997, <i>The Lisle Sun</i> .	The Honorable Ronald F. Ghilardi, Mayor of the Village of Lisle, 1040 Burlington Avenue, Lisle, Illinois 60532.	July 18, 1997 .....	170211 B
Stephenson (FEMA Docket No. 7233).	Unincorporated Areas.	June 11, 1997, June 18, 1997, <i>The Journal Standard</i> .	Mr. Dean Danner, Chairman of the Stephenson County Board of Commissioners, 15 North Galena Avenue, Freeport, Illinois 61032.	June 6, 1997 .....	170639 B
Winnebago (FEMA Docket No. 7233).	Unincorporated Areas.	June 11, 1997, June 18, 1997, <i>Rockford Register Star</i> .	Ms. Christine Cohn, Chairman of the Winnebago County Board of Commissioners, 404 Elm Street, Room 504, Rockford, Illinois 61101.	June 6, 1997 .....	170720 B
Maine: York (FEMA Docket No. 7233).	Town of Kittery .....	June 3, 1997, June 10, 1997, <i>Portsmouth Herald</i> .	Mr. Phil McCarthy, Kittery Town Manager, P.O. Box 808, Kittery, Maine 03904.	May 23, 1997 .....	230171 D
Maryland: Washington (FEMA Docket No. 7217).	Unincorporated Areas.	February 14, 1997, February 21, 1997, <i>The Morning Herald</i> and <i>The Daily Mail</i> .	Mr. Rodney Shoop, Washington County Administrator, 100 West Washington Street, Hagerstown, Maryland 21740.	May 22, 1997 .....	240070 A
New Hampshire: Grafton (FEMA Docket No. 7233).	Town of Bridgewater.	June 11, 1997, June 18, 1997, <i>Record Enterprise</i> .	Mr. Terrance Murphy, Head Selectman, Town of Bridgewater, 297 Mayhew Turnpike, Bristol, New Hampshire 03222.	December 5, 1997	330046 C
Ohio: Fairfield and Franklin (FEMA Docket No. 7221).	City of Columbus ..	May 23, 1997, May 30, 1997, <i>The Columbus Dispatch</i> .	The Honorable Gregory S. Lashutka, Mayor of the City of Columbus, 90 West Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215.	August 28, 1997 ...	390170 G
Pennsylvania:					
Blair (FEMA Docket No. 7233).	Township of Blair	July 8, 1997, July 15, 1997, <i>Altoona Mirror</i> .	Mr. George Harley, Secretary/Treasurer of the Township of Blair, 575 Cedarcrest Drive, Duncansville, Pennsylvania 16635.	June 30, 1997 .....	421386 A
Cambria (FEMA Docket No. 7233).	City of Johnstown	June 13, 1997, June 20, 1997, <i>Tribune-Democrat</i> .	The Honorable Linda Weaver, Mayor of the City of Johnstown, 401 Main Street, Johnstown, Pennsylvania 15901.	June 6, 1997 .....	420231 C
South Carolina: Horry (FEMA Docket No. 7233).	Unincorporated Areas.	July 17, 1997, July 24, 1997, <i>The Sun News</i> .	Ms. Linda Angus, Horry County Administrator, 103 Elm Street, Conway, South Carolina 29526.	October 15, 1997	450104 E
Virginia:					

State and county	Location	Dates and name of newspaper where notice was published	Chief executive officer of community	Effective date of modification	Community No.
Independent City (FEMA Docket No. 7245).	City of Alexandria	October 23, 1997, October 30, 1997, <i>The Alexandria Journal</i> and <i>The Alexandria Gazette Packet</i> .	The Honorable Kerry J. Donley, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, 301 King Street, Suite 2300, Alexandria, Virginia 22314.	October 10, 1997	515519
(Independent City) (FEMA Docket No. 7233).	City of Harrisonburg.	August 15, 1997, August 22, 1997, <i>Daily News-Record</i> .	The Honorable Rodney L. Eagle, Mayor of the City of Harrisonburg, City Hall, Harrisonburg, Virginia 22801.	August 5, 1997 .....	510076 B
Arlington (FEMA Docket No. 7213).	Unincorporated Areas.	February 7, 1997, February 14, 1997, <i>Arlington Journal</i> .	Ms. Ellen M. Bosman, Chairman of the Arlington County Board of Commissioners, 2100 Clarendon Boulevard, Suite 300, Arlington, Virginia 22201.	May 15, 1997 .....	515520 B
Culpeper (FEMA Docket No. 7225).	Unincorporated Areas.	March 11, 1997, March 18, 1997, <i>Culpeper Star-Exponent</i> .	Mr. Steven Miner, Culpeper County Administrator, 135 West Cameron Street, Culpeper, Virginia 22701.	September 3, 1997	510041 B
Wisconsin: Washington (FEMA Docket No. 7233).	Village of Germantown.	June 5, 1997, June 12, 1997, <i>Germantown Banner-Press</i> .	Mr. Paul Brandenburg, 1997 Village of Germantown Administrator, P.O. Box 337, Germantown, Wisconsin 53022-0337.	September 10, 1997.	550472 B

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 83.100, "Flood Insurance.")

Dated: March 19, 1998.

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## FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

### 44 CFR Part 65

[Docket No. FEMA-7249]

### Changes in Flood Elevation Determinations

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, FEMA.

**ACTION:** Interim rule.

**SUMMARY:** This interim rule lists communities where modification of the base (1% annual chance) flood elevations is appropriate because of new scientific or technical data. New flood insurance premium rates will be calculated from the modified base flood elevations for new buildings and their contents.

**DATES:** These modified base flood elevations are currently in effect on the dates listed in the table and revise the Flood Insurance Rate Map(s) (FIRMs) in effect prior to this determination for each listed community.

From the date of the second publication of these changes in a newspaper of local circulation, any person has ninety (90) days in which to request through the community that the Associate Director reconsider the

changes. The modified elevations may be changed during the 90-day period.

**ADDRESSES:** The modified base flood elevations for each community are available for inspection at the office of the Chief Executive Officer of each community. The respective addresses are listed in the following table.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Matthew B. Miller, P.E., Chief, Hazards Study Branch, Mitigation Directorate, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3461.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The modified base flood elevations are not listed for each community in this interim rule. However, the address of the Chief Executive Officer of the community where the modified base flood elevation determinations are available for inspection is provided.

Any request for reconsideration must be based upon knowledge of changed conditions, or upon new scientific or technical data.

The modifications are made pursuant to section 201 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, 42 U.S.C. 4105, and are in accordance with the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, 42 U.S.C. 4001 *et seq.*, and with 44 CFR part 65.

For rating purposes, the currently effective community number is shown and must be used for all new policies and renewals.

The modified base flood elevations are the basis for the floodplain management measures that the community is required to either adopt or to show evidence of being already in effect in order to qualify or to remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program.

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The changes in base flood elevations are in accordance with 44 CFR 65.4.

### National Environmental Policy Act

This rule is categorically excluded from the requirements of 44 CFR Part 10, Environmental Consideration. No environmental impact assessment has been prepared.

### Regulatory Flexibility Act

The Associate Director, Mitigation Directorate, certifies that this rule is exempt from the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act because modified base flood elevations are required by the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, 42 U.S.C. 4105, and are required to maintain community eligibility in the National Flood Insurance Program. No regulatory flexibility analysis has been prepared.

### Regulatory Classification

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