

**STATE OF OREGON
BUILDING CODES DIVISION**

STATEWIDE INTERPRETATION

No. 301.6(4)

OREGON MECHANICAL SPECIALTY CODE

SUBJECT: **Mechanical Permit Requirements for Electric Cadet Heaters**

CODE SECTION: *Oregon Mechanical Specialty Code, Section 301.6(4)*
Oregon Residential Specialty Code, Section M1303.1(4)

CODE EDITION: 2004 (and 2007) Edition of the *Oregon Mechanical Specialty Code*.
2005 Edition of the *Oregon Residential Specialty Code*.

DATE: Revised October 1, 2006

QUESTION: Recently an inspector required me to purchase a mechanical permit for the installation of an electric cadet wall heater. There are no ducts or vents for these heaters and they are not supplied by gas or other liquid fuel. The inspector claims that electric cadet heaters are comfort heating appliances and therefore are regulated by the mechanical code. These heaters are not installed by mechanical people, but are installed by the electrical contractors, who buys a permit for the installation. Since the electrical contractor is responsible for the proper installation, and is buying electrical permits, why do I need to get a mechanical permit?

ANSWER: A mechanical permit is not required. An electrical permit is the only permit needed.