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**Building Codes Division****Statewide Code Interpretation**

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**March 6, 2007****No: 2004 OSSC 109.3.2  
2004 Oregon Structural Specialty Code**

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**Code Section:** OSSC 109.3.2

**Code Edition:** 2004 Oregon Structural Specialty Code (OSSC)

**Date:** Original: 7/01/1992 Updated: 3/06/2007

**Subject:** Underfloor insulation inspection

**Question:** Does the OSSC or ORSC allow a jurisdiction to require crawl space insulation to be installed before decking or sub flooring is installed?

**Answer:** No.

**Analysis:** OSSC Section 109.3.2 states: *“Concrete slab and underfloor inspections shall be made after in-slab and under-floor reinforcing steel and building service equipment, conduit, piping accessories and other ancillary equipment items are in place, but before any concrete is placed or floor sheathing installed, including the subfloor”.*

The code does not specifically mention insulation unless it is included in “ancillary equipment”.

The codes assumes a logical sequence of construction. Part of this logic is that materials which are subject to weather damage not be installed until they can be protected

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