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HOUSING AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION
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TO: Borough Superintendents

FROM: Thomas V. Burke, Director of Operations

SUBJECT: Interior Finishes & Floor Finishes - Section C26-504.10 and
C26-504.13 (new code)

Interior finishes consisting of wall coverings less than .036 inches in total thickness when applied to a non-cumbustible base and finish flooring and floor coverings are exempt from the requirements of flame-spread, smoke density and toxicity. Such exemptions are contained in paragraph C26-504.10(c) and shall be construed to be incorporated in paragraphs C26-504.10(d) and (e).

The provisions of paragraph C26-504.13 shall apply to floor finishes and floor coverings. In general, this section will prohibit cumbustible floor finishes and floor coverings in exits. In spaces other than exits, carpets installed by the "tackless" method may be fastened to cumbustible wood strips. Cumbustible padding not over $\frac{1}{2}$ inch thick may be placed between the wood strips, under the carpeting. Such carpets and accessory padding do not require a prior approval or acceptance under the Building Code. 'Exits' as used in this directive shall be as defined in the Building Code.

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