**DFE = FRCE**  
The Design Flood Elevation (DFE) used by Building Code is the same as the Flood Resistant Construction Elevation (FRCE) used by Zoning.

**Freeboard** is additional elevation required by Building Code for safety.

FEMA requires buildings to elevate above or floodproof below flood elevation.

**Category II**  
1+2 family dwellings

**Category II + III**  
Multifamily dwellings, schools, infrastructure

**Category II + III**  
Fire or rescue stations, shelters, toxic storage

**Category III or IV**  
Hospitals regardless if small or large

### Design Flood Elevation (DFE) or FRCE

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- **DFE or FRCE (BFE + FREEBOARD)**  
  - LATEST FEMA BFE (pFIRM)
  - PREVIOUS FEMA BFE (FIRM)

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**A Zone**