

Subject: **Important Information on Decks & Shower Doors and Openings**
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The DSPS website FAQs have been updated to include information in regards to decks & shower doors and openings. The FAQ update for decks and shower doors and openings is now posted on the state's [One and Two Family \(UDC\)](#) website.

In the UDC Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ), The Department of Safety and Professionals (DSPS) have addressed the following:

1. There has been confusion in regards to when the 30 inch net clear opening apply to shower doors and openings.

The **permanent structural opening** of the shower has to have the minimum 30 inch net clear opening. A shower door that's part of a shower fixture does not have to meet this 30 inch requirement. This is in regards to the minimum one full bathroom requirements of SPS 321.035(1)(c) only.

This code does NOT apply to any pre-fabricated shower and/or bath unit.

2. There has been confusion in regards to the new deck appendixes B & C.

The department has determined that a deck can be built per the following methods effective January 1, 2016:

- SPS 321.225(1) This is the same way before the Appendixes were added
- SPS 321.225(2) Which is, Appendix B and C
- DCA6 standard

NOTE: You may not "mix and match" the options, meaning take parts from Appendix B then use parts of SPS 321.225(1).

To see the full questions and answers, please click on the following link: [FAQ](#).

If you have any further questions concerning FAQs or any other UDC related questions, please feel free to contact DspsSbUdcTech@wi.gov.