



Upholstered Furniture Regulations in Massachusetts and Boston *

Upholstered Furniture Regulations by Massachusetts Comprehensive Fire Safety Code 527 CMR 12.6.3 (NFPA1)

*As of Summer 2016, Boston Fire Code defaults to Massachusetts Fire Safety Code for furniture flammability standards.

Occupancy classification	Fully sprinklered buildings	Non-sprinklered buildings
Business	TB 117-2013	TB 117-2013
Hotels and Dormitories	TB 117-2013	TB 117-2013
Industrial	TB 117-2013	TB 117-2013
Mercantile	TB 117-2013	TB 117-2013
Storage	TB 117-2013	TB 117-2013
Health Care Occupancy ¹	Not regulated	TB 133
Ambulatory Health Care	TB 117-2013	TB 133
Apartment Building (public areas only)	TB 117-2013	TB 133
Assembly	TB 117-2013	TB 133
Day-Care	TB 117-2013	TB 133
Detention and Correctional	TB 117-2013	TB 133
Educational	TB 117-2013	TB 133
Lodging or Rooming Houses (public areas only)	TB 117-2013	TB 133
Residential Board and Care ²	NFPA 260	NFPA 260

¹ Upholstered furniture is not regulated that belong to patients in sleeping rooms of existing nursing homes where a smoke detector is installed (battery-powered single station permitted) (527 CMR 20.4.2.5.3).

² Upholstered furniture belonging residents in sleeping rooms shall not be required to be tested, provided that a smoke alarm is installed in such rooms; battery-powered single-station smoke alarms shall be permitted in such rooms (527 CMR 20.5.2.5.2.2 & 20.5.2.5.2.3.2).