



City of Seattle
Department of Planning & Development

2012 SBC Code Solution

Section 1015.2.1
Exit Separation at Exterior Exit Balconies
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Code Issue:

Can the separation between exit doors or exit access doorways be measured along a direct line of travel along an exterior exit balcony?

Interpretation:

Yes. However, where the open sides of exterior exit balconies are exposed to each other, the balconies shall be located as per Section 1026.5 from an assumed property line between them.

For questions about whether this code solution applies to your project:

- *If you have submitted a permit application, contact the Building Code plan reviewer assigned to your application*
- *If you have not submitted an application, contact DPD Building Code Technical Support at 206-684-4630 or in person at the Applicant Services Center. Visit the Applicant Services Center website for more information about hours and location http://www.seattle.gov/dpd/Permits/Process_Overview/Location_Hours/default.asp*



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