

Berkeley Municipal Code

19.40.035 Section 601.4 of the Berkeley Housing Code.

601.4 Structural Maintenance. All projecting exterior elevated wood and metal decks, balconies, landings, stairway systems, guardrails, handrails, or any parts thereof in weather-exposed areas of Group R-1 and R-2 Occupancies, as defined in the most recent edition of the [California Building Code](#), shall be inspected within six months of adoption of this section, and every five years thereafter, by a licensed general contractor, structural pest control licensee, licensed architect, or licensed engineer, verifying that the elements are in general safe condition, adequate working order, and do not exhibit signs of deterioration, decay, corrosion or similar damage that could pose a safety concern and there is no evidence of active water intrusion in concealed spaces of the inspected elements. Property owners shall provide proof of compliance with this section by submitting an affidavit form provided by the City. The affidavit shall be signed by the responsible inspecting party and submitted to the Housing Code Enforcement Office. For the purpose of this section, elevated "weather-exposed areas" mean those areas which are not interior building areas, extend beyond exterior walls and are located more than six feet above adjacent grade.

(Ord. 7462-NS § 1, 2016; Ord. 7434-NS § 1, 2015; Ord. 7431-NS § 2, 2015)