



COOKING EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT UNDER EXISTING COMMERCIAL HOOD EXHAUST SYSTEM

Replacement of cooking equipment under an existing commercial hood shall be reviewed for compliance with Chapter 5 Part II of the Los Angeles County Mechanical Code (LACMC).

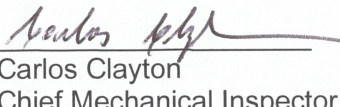
If the applicant can show that the new cooking equipment is within the same or lower duty cooking appliance category, then the existing hood system need not be reapproved. If plans are provided by the applicant, plan checkers shall indicate on the plans "New Cooking Equipment Only. No Plan Check Required."

If the cooking equipment falls under a higher duty category with a listed hood, the hood must be recertified by the manufacturer for the new cooking equipment proposed. If an existing custom hood is utilized, complete plans must be provided to show the duct size, exhaust fan capacity and hood size to meet the current requirements of the LACMC. If an existing shaft is utilized, it does not need to be reapproved.

Existing relocated hoods shall be treated as a new installation and meet the current requirements of the LACMC.

An in-kind replacement of a kitchen exhaust fan does not need plan review; however, a permit is required.

Replacement of the fire suppression system does not need plan review; however, it shall be approved by the Fire Department.


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