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Due to the increase of public interest and questions on the use of a Pole/Post-frame construction for one and two- family dwellings, to include second stories, as well as, enclosing garages within the perimeter of the structure.

Section R301.1.2 of the 2006 International Residential Code, specifically state that the provisions of this code are based on "platform and balloon-frame construction for light-frame buildings".

Section R301.1.3 states that "When a building of otherwise conventional construction contains structural elements exceeding the limits of Section R301 or otherwise not conforming to this code, these elements shall be designed in accordance with accepted engineering practice". Engineered design in accordance with the International Building Code is permitted for all buildings and structures, and parts thereof, included in the scope of this code.

The 2006 International Residential Code does not include "prescriptive" methods of design for Pole/Post frame construction, but they must ultimately comply with the Code.

The construction of a Pole/post frame structure designed as a One/two Family dwelling is required to be professionally designed.