

**Appendix G: Comparison of Administrative Requirements of the Uniform Building Code and the Field Act**

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<b>FIELD ACT TITLE 24, CCR</b>	<b>UNIFORM BUILDING CODE (Non-Field Act Buildings)</b>
<b>Design Professionals</b>	
School building construction plans must be prepared by a California Registered Structural Engineer or a licensed Architect.	A licensed Civil Engineer can be responsible for design and construction
<b>Plan Approval Process</b>	
The designs are reviewed and checked by the Department of General Services (an independent State agency) and design errors or omissions must be corrected or included on the plans before a contract for construction can be issued.	Detailed requirements are not provided.
<b>Inspection of Construction</b>	
An independent inspector (DSA certified) is required to provide continuous inspection of the construction to verify that the construction is in conformance with the approved plans.	Periodic special inspection by the local jurisdiction, at certain construction milestones, is specified (e.g., before concrete placement and covering of structural framing).
<b>Changes to Plans During Construction</b>	
The responsible architects and engineers are required to periodically observe the construction and prepare changes to plans, if needed, to the DSA for review and approval.	Changes to plans are generally not subject to review.
<b>Reporting</b>	
All parties concerned (architects, engineers, inspectors, testing laboratories and contractors) must file reports, under penalty of perjury, to verify compliance with approved plans.	No similar reports are required.