Table 1.1.1.1.(6)
Alternate Compliance Methods for Alterations to Existing Buildings to Add a Secondary Suite
Forming Part of Sentence 1.1.1.1.(6)

No	Code Requirement in Division B	Alternate Compliance Method (References to Division B)
1	Reinforcement for Grab Bars Sentence 3.8.5.1.(2) One bathroom in a *secondary suite* shall have walls adjacent the water closer and shower or bathtub location reinforced to accommodate the future installation of grab bars.	Reinforcement to accommodate the future installation of grab bars is not required in existing bathrooms serving a *secondary suite*.
2	Ceiling Heights of Rooms or Spaces Sentence 9.5.3.1.(1) and Table 9.5.3.1. Ceiling height shall be not less than 2.1 m over the minimum area required in Table 9.5.3.1.	Except as required by Sentence 9.9.3.4.(3), the minimum ceiling heights in a *secondary suite* over the required area as indicated in Table 9.5.3.1. shall be not less than 1.95 m. It shall be possible to travel from the required area of one room to the required areas of all other rooms within the *secondary suite* without reduction of the ceiling height to less than 1.95 m.Except as required by Sentence 9.9.3.4.(3), the minimum clear height under beams and ducting, including where located over stairs, in a *secondary suite* shall be not less than 1.85 m.
3	Doorway Opening Sizes Sentence 9.5.5.1.(1) and Table 9.5.5.1. Doorway openings shall be designed to accommodate swing-type and folding doors not less than 1 980 mm high.	Except for *exit* doors and for doors serving *public corridors* and *exit* corridors that serve a house with a *secondary suite*, doorway openings within a *secondary suite* shall be designed to accommodate swing-type and folding doors not less than 1 890 mm high.
4	Height over Stairs Sentence 9.8.2.2.(3) The clear height over stairs shall be not less than 1950 mm.	Except for stairs in a *public corridor* or *exit* corridor that serve a house with a *secondary suite*, the clear height over stairs that are located under existing beams and existing ducting in a house with a *secondary suite* shall be not less than 1 850 mm.
5	Openings Near Unenclosed Exterior *Exit* Stairs and *Ramps* Sentence 9.9.4.4.(1) *Unprotected openings* in exterior walls that are within 3 m horizontally and less than 10 m below or less than 5 m above an unenclosed exterior *exit* stair or *ramp* of a house with a *secondary suite* shall be protected where the unenclosed exterior *exit* stair or *ramp* provides the only *means of egress* from a *suite* and is exposed to fire from *unprotected openings* in the exterior walls of another *dwelling unit*, ancillary space or common space.	Protection of the *unprotected openings* as described in Sentence 9.9.4.4.(1) is not required when all *smoke alarms* within a house with a *secondary suite* are of photo-electric type and interconnected as described in Clause 9.10.19.5.(2)(a).
6	Openings Near *Exit* Doors Sentence 9.9.4.6.(1) Where an exterior *exit* door in one *fire compartment* iswithin 3 m horizontally of an *unprotected opening* inanother *fire compartment* and the exterior walls of these *fire compartments* intersect at an exterior angle of less than 135°, the opening shall be protected.	Protection of the *unprotected openings* as described in Sentence 9.9.4.6.(1) is not required when all *smoke alarms* within a house with a *secondary suite* are of photo-electric type and interconnected as described in Clause 9.10.19.5.(2)(a).

Table 1.1.1.1.(6) (continued)

No	Code Requirement in Division B	Alternate Compliance Method (References to Division B)
7	Fire-Resistance and Fire-Protection Ratings Sentence 9.10.3.1.(3) In a house with a *secondary suite*, where a minimum *fire-resistance rating* of 30 min is permitted, it is permitted to use wood-frame construction where stud and joist spaces are filled with absorptive material,resilient metal channel spaced 400 or 600 mm o.c. is on one side and not less than 12.7 mm thick gypsum board is installed on ceilings and on both sides of walls.	Adding resilient metal channel spaced 400 or 600 mm o.c. and an additional layer of not less than 12.7 mm gypsum board to one side of an existing finished wall assembly that has not less than 12.7 mm gypsum board on each side or an existing finished floor-ceiling assembly that has not less than 12.7 mm gypsum on the ceiling side is permitted to be used where a 30 min *fire-resistance rating* is required.
8	*Fire-Resistance Ratings* for Walls, Columns and Arches Sentence 9.10.8.3.(1) *Loadbearing* walls, columns and arches in the *storey* immediately below a floor or roof assembly shall have a *fire-resistance rating* of not less than that required for the supported floor or roof assembly.	Except for heavy timber elements and those of masonry or concrete construction, light frame walls, columns, arches and beams as well as *loadbearing* steel elements that support floors between *dwelling units* in a house with a *secondary suite* including their common spaces shall be protected by not less than 12.7 mm thick gypsum board.
9	Sound Transmission Sentence 9.11.1.1.(2) Each *dwelling unit* shall be separated from every other space in a house with a *secondary suite* in which noise may be transmitted by construction having joist and stud spaces *filled* with sound-absorbing material, resilient channel on one side of the separation, and 12.7 mm thick gypsum board on ceilings and on both sides of walls, or by either construction providing an STC rating of not less than 43, or by using a separating assembly and adjoining construction providing an ASTC rating of not less than 40.	The assemblies and adjoining constructions that separate the *dwelling units* in a house with a *secondary suite* including their common spaces need not comply with Clause 9.11.1.1.(2)(a) where resilient metal channel spaced 400 or 600 mm o.c. and an additional layer of not less than 12.7 mm gypsum board is added to one side of an existing finished assembly.