



2021 IRC Question Of The Week

Where the ground surface of a crawl space for a residential dwelling is covered with an approved Class 1 vapor retarder material, ventilation openings _____.

- A) are required to be within 3 feet of each external corner of the underfloor space
- B) are not required to be within 3 feet of each external corner of the under-floor space provided that the openings are placed to provide cross ventilation of the space
- C) shall be provided to establish a minimum net area of ventilation of 1 square foot for each 1000 square feet of under-floor area
- D) shall not be placed within 6 inches of the ground surface of the crawl space

R408.2 Openings for under-floor ventilation.

Ventilation openings through foundation or exterior walls surrounding the under-floor space shall be provided in accordance with this section.

Exceptions:

2. Where the ground surface is covered with an approved Class 1 vapor retarder material, ventilation openings are not required to be within 3 feet of each external corner of the under-floor space provided that the openings are placed to provide cross ventilation of the space.

