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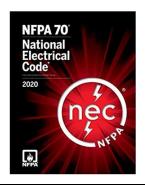
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2017 NEC Question Of The Week

The 2017 NEC requires GFCI protection for all areas of a dwelling unit basement.

- A) True
- B) False

BUT THAT CHANGES IN THE 2020 NEC:



210.8(A)(5) Ground-Fault Circuit-Interrupter Protection for Personnel, Dwelling Units, Basement

Type of change: Revision

Change at a Glance: GFCI protection now required for ALL dwelling unit basements (not just unfinished portions of basements).

CODE LANGUAGE

210.8 Ground-Fault Circuit-Interrupter Protection for Personnel.

(A) Dwelling Units. All 125-volt through 250-volt, single-phase, 15- and 20-ampere receptacles installed in the locations specified in 210.8(A)(1) through (10)(11) and supplied by single-phase branch circuits rated 150 volts or less to ground shall have ground-fault circuit-interrupter protection for personnel.

(5)Basements Unfinished portions or areas of the basement not intended as habitable rooms