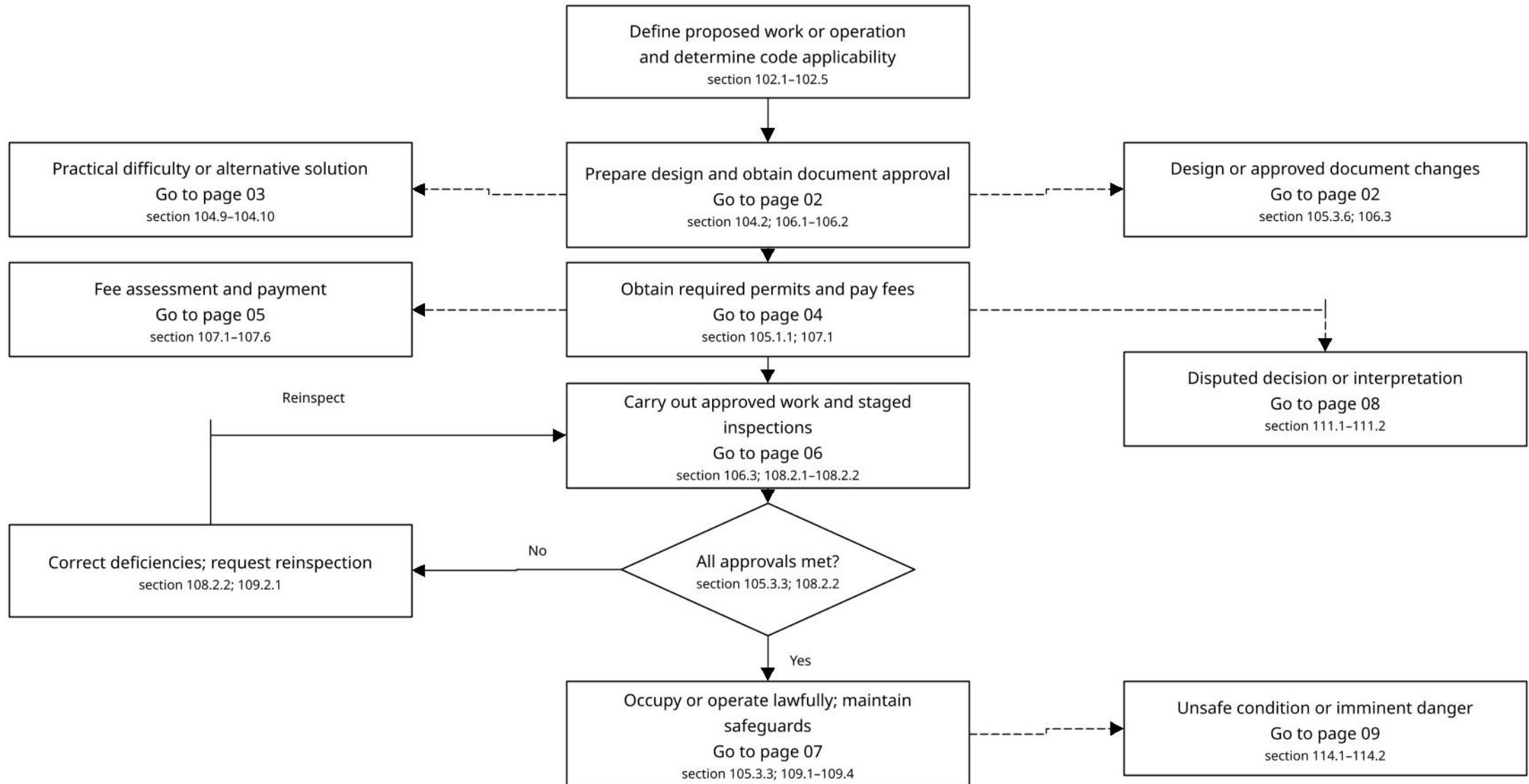


SBC 801 Chapter 1 process map

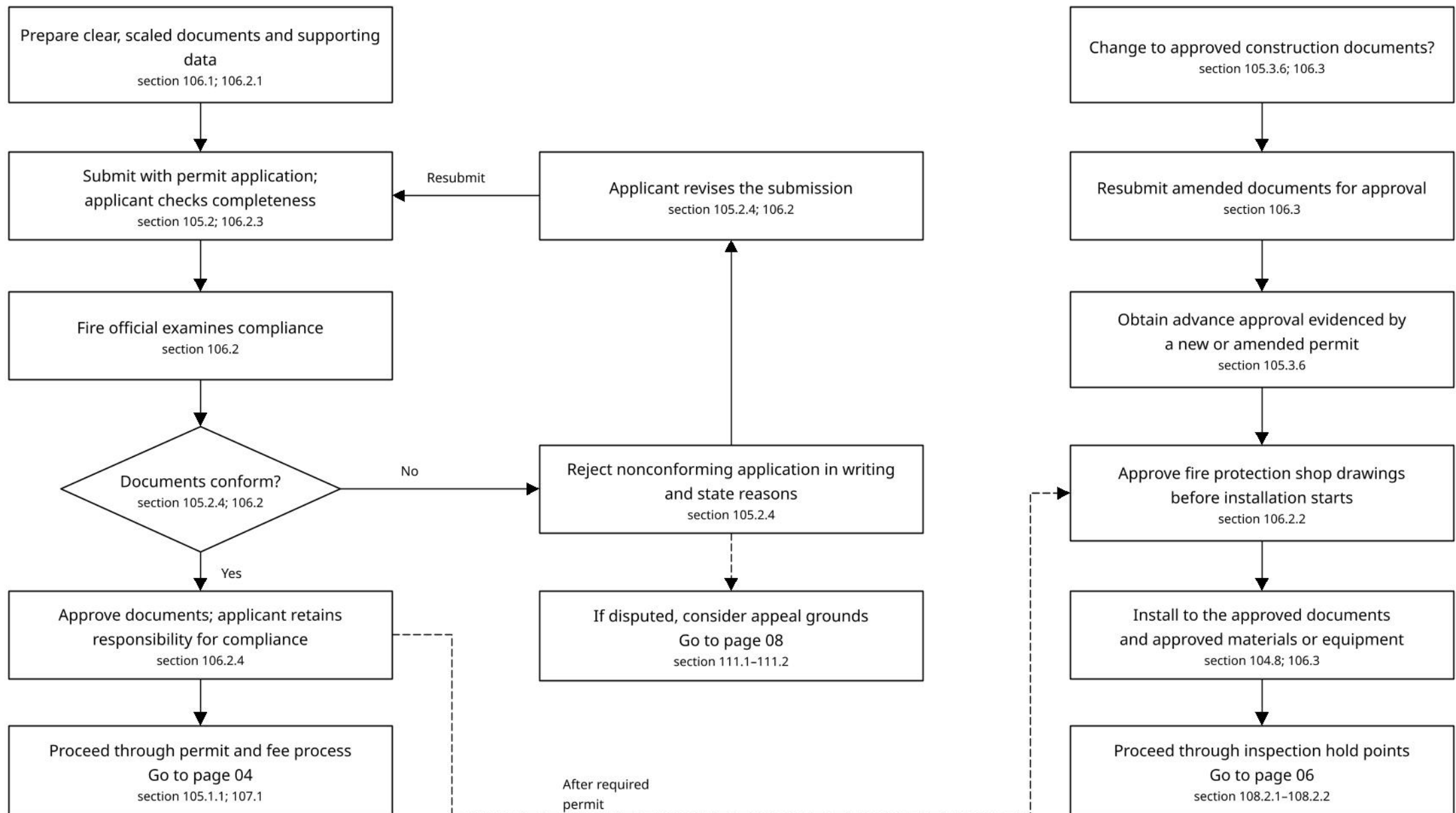
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READING KEY Box = action or stage; diamond = decision; boxes marked “Go to page” link to that page. Solid arrows show the process; dashed arrows show related or optional routes.
Fire official means the competent official under Chapter 1. These diagrams summarise code requirements; they do not prescribe a local electronic portal or replace authority procedures.

Design review and amendments

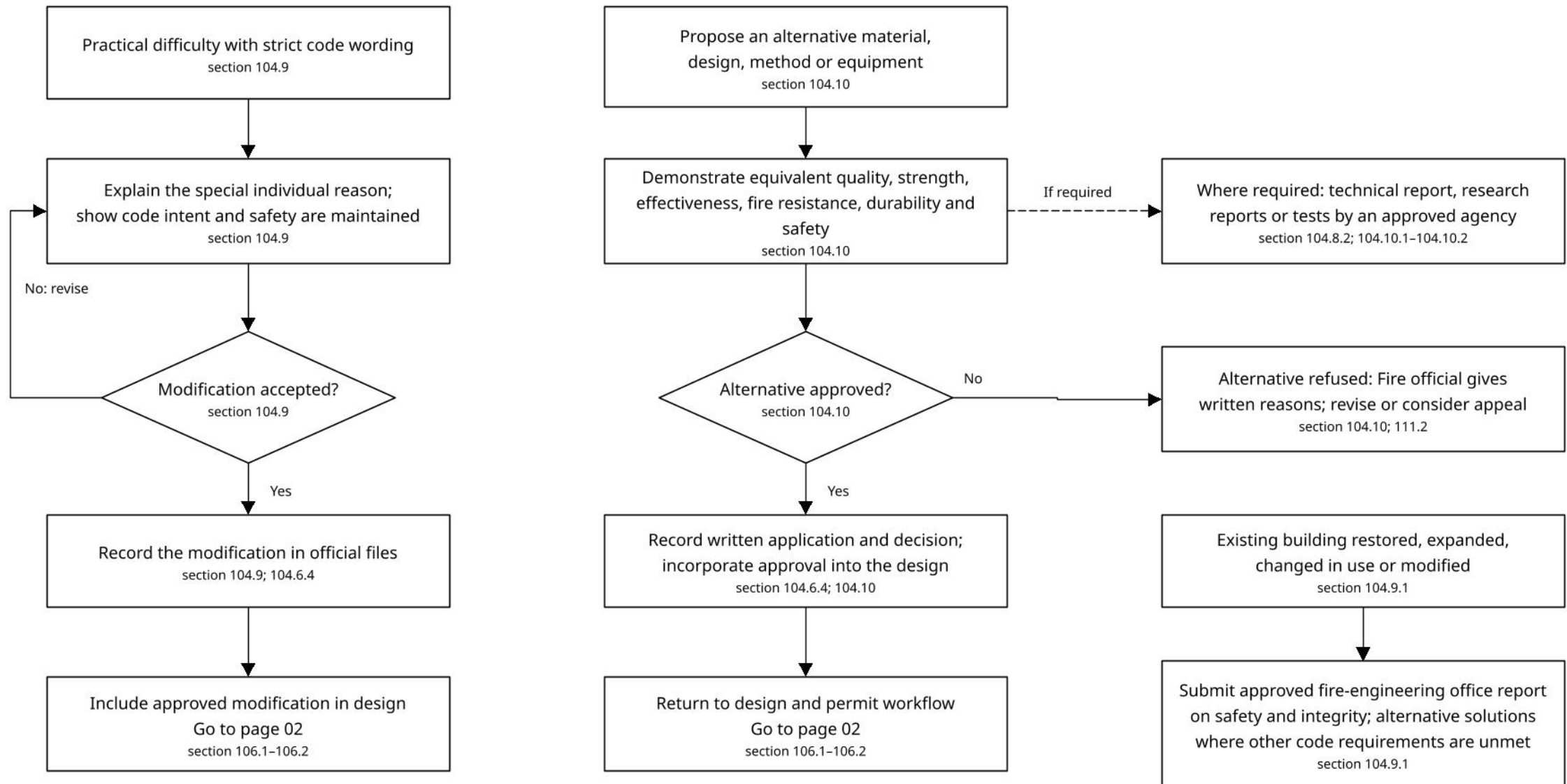
Applicant and designer prepare the submission; the Fire official examines and approves it



SUBMISSION OPTIONS section 106.1 permits a limited document-submission waiver at the Fire official's discretion. section 106.2.4.1 permits phased approval for adequately documented work, at the permit holder's risk.
RECORDS Keep an approved set on site during the work. The Fire official retains one set for at least 180 days after completion, or as government law requires (section 106.4). Alternative design route: page 03.

Modifications and alternative design approval

Use the correct Chapter 1 route; approval is a decision of the Fire official

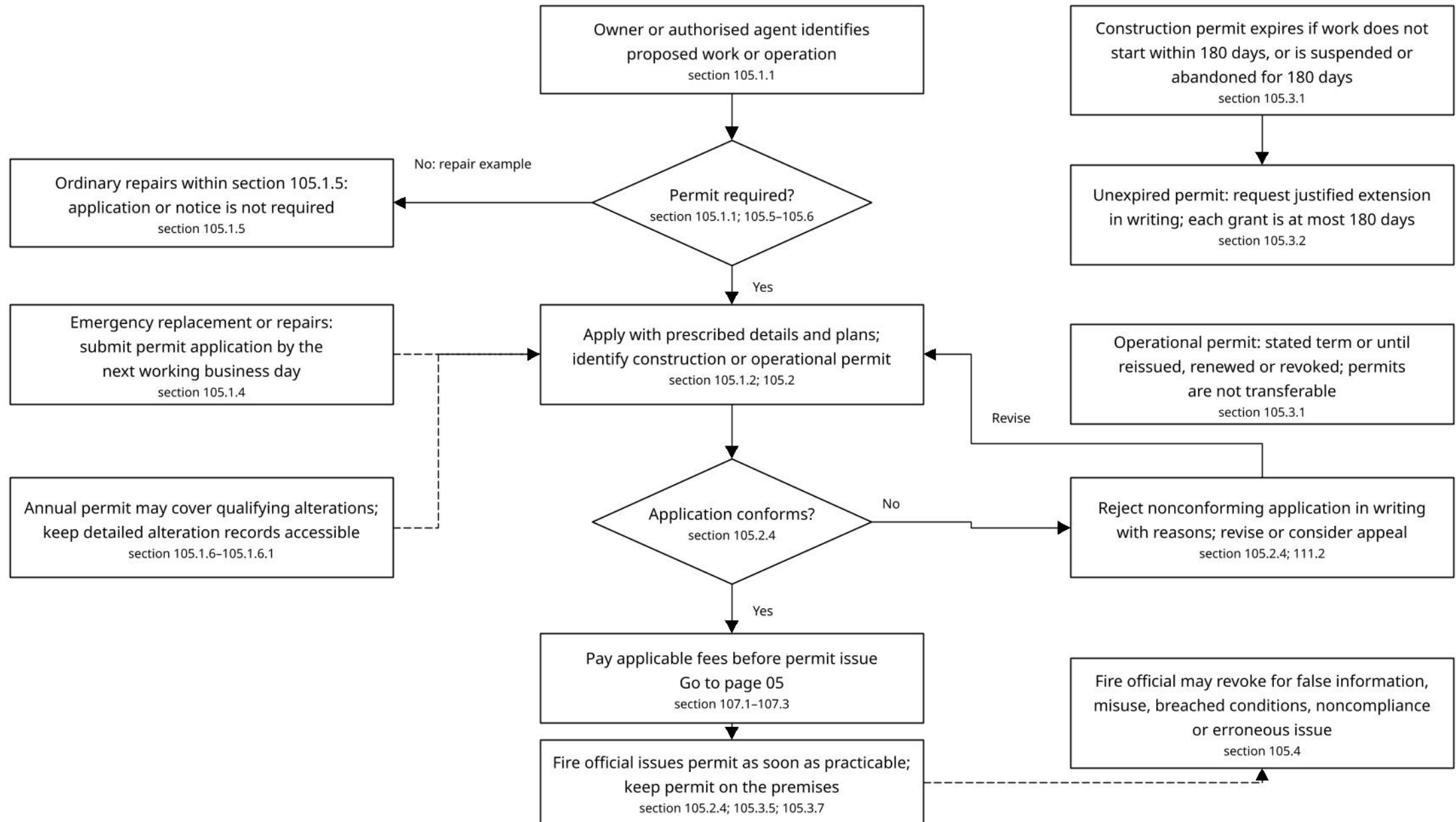


SAFETY LIMIT A modification must not lessen health, life or fire safety requirements (section 104.9). Technical assistance or tests are at no expense to the jurisdiction (sections 104.8.2, 104.10.2).

EXISTING BUILDINGS section 104.9.1 refers to a temporary occupancy period; this does not itself authorise occupation. Apply the occupancy permit and inspection controls in sections 105.3.3–105.3.4 (page 06).

Permit application and validity

Screen the actual activity against sections 105.5 and 105.6, including their thresholds and exceptions

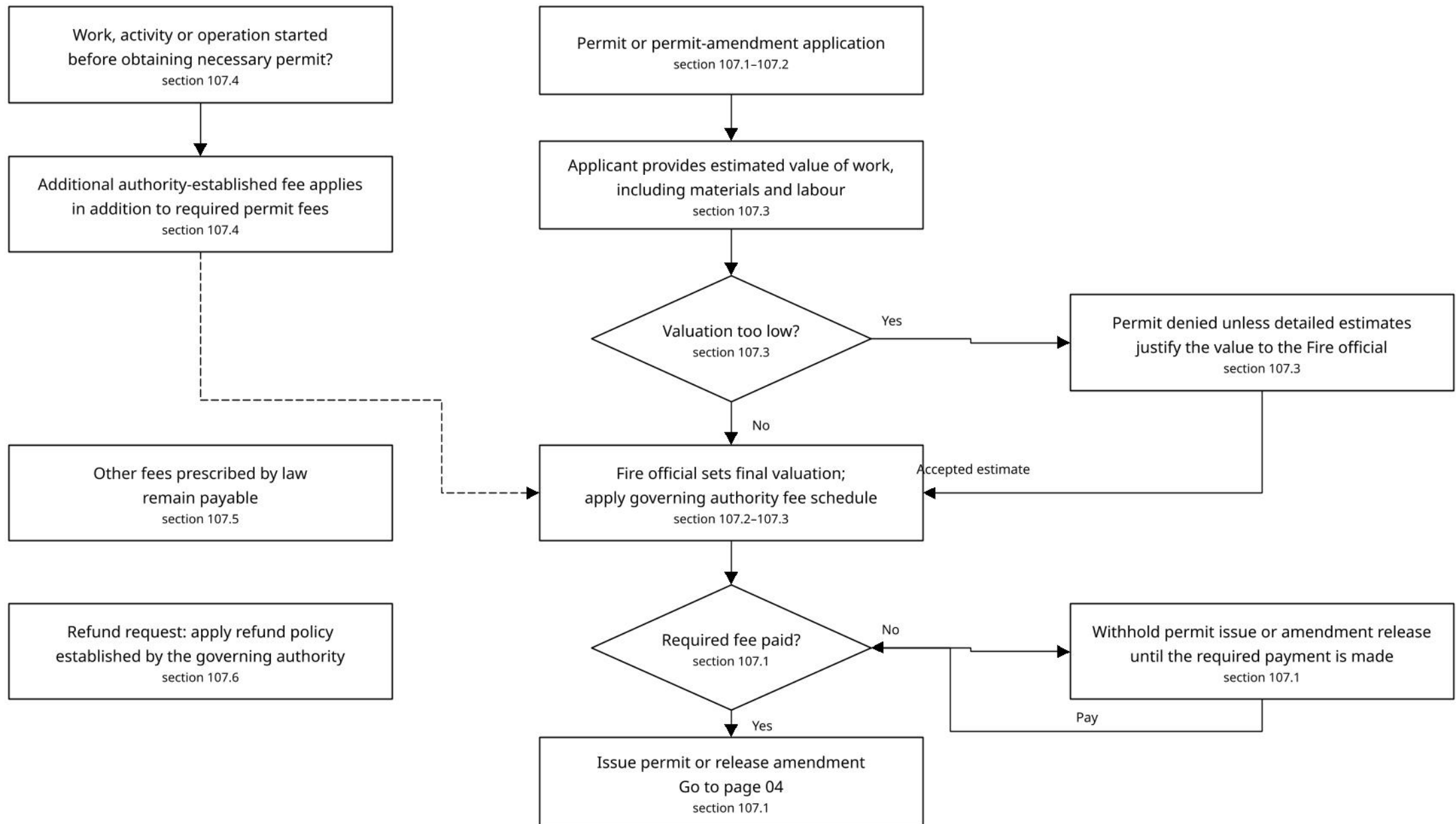


APPLICATION CLOCK An application is deemed abandoned after 180 days unless diligently pursued or a permit is issued; written, justified extensions may be granted for up to 90 days each (section 105.2.3).

OTHER CONTROLS A new permit is required on change of occupancy, operation, tenancy or ownership (section 105.3.1). Permits may be consolidated if each provision is listed (section 105.1.3). Approval never authorises a code violation (sections 105.3.6, 105.3.8).

Fee assessment and payment

Chapter 1 establishes the payment process; the governing authority establishes the fee schedule

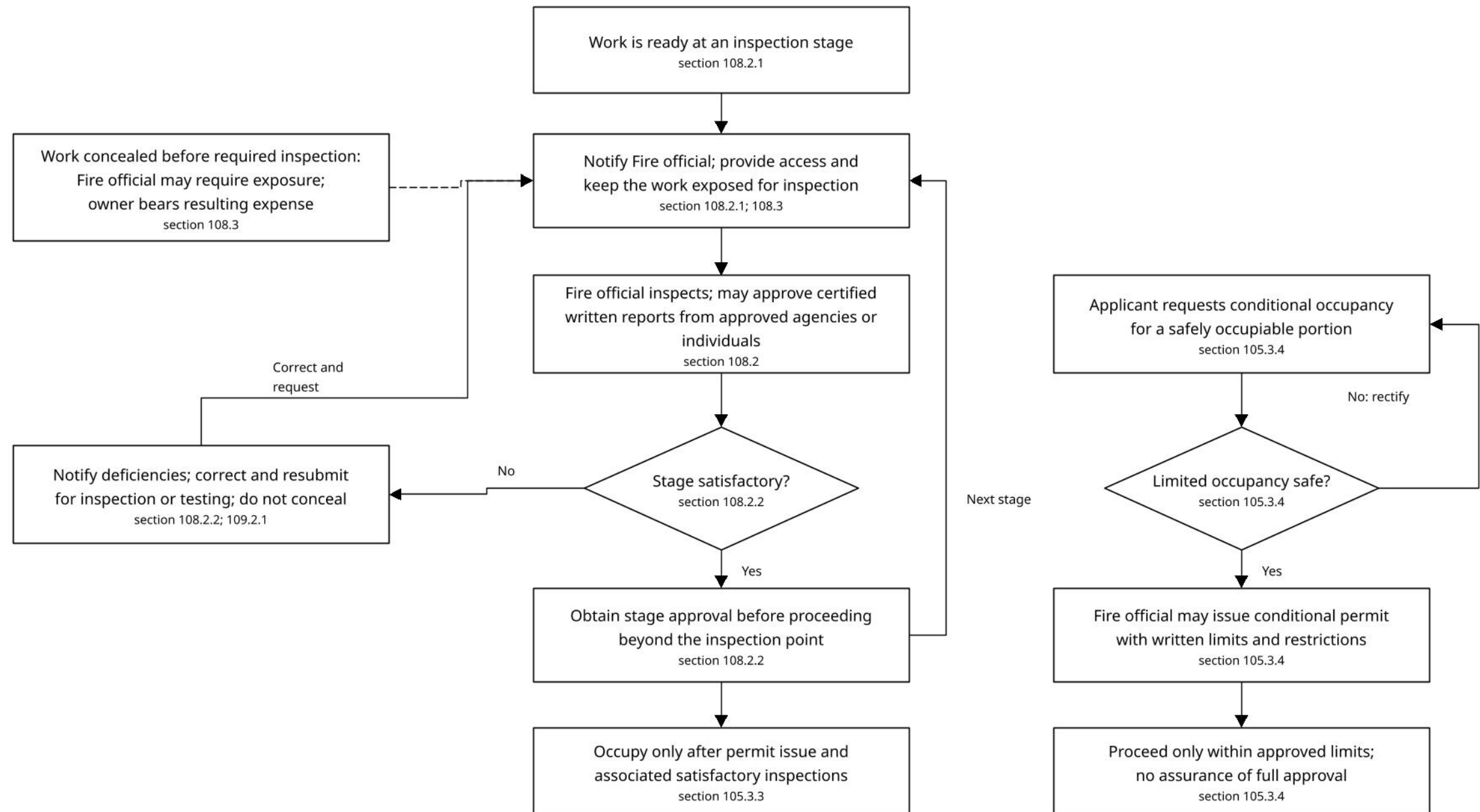


AMENDMENTS An additional amendment fee is payable only where applicable; the amendment cannot be released before that fee is paid (section 107.1).

NO FIXED TARIFF Chapter 1 gives no universal SAR amount or automatic refund entitlement. Use the applicable fee schedule and refund policy (sections 107.2, 107.6). The extra fee for early work does not itself authorise that work.

Inspection hold points and occupancy approval

Permit holder requests inspection and provides access; the Fire official approves progression

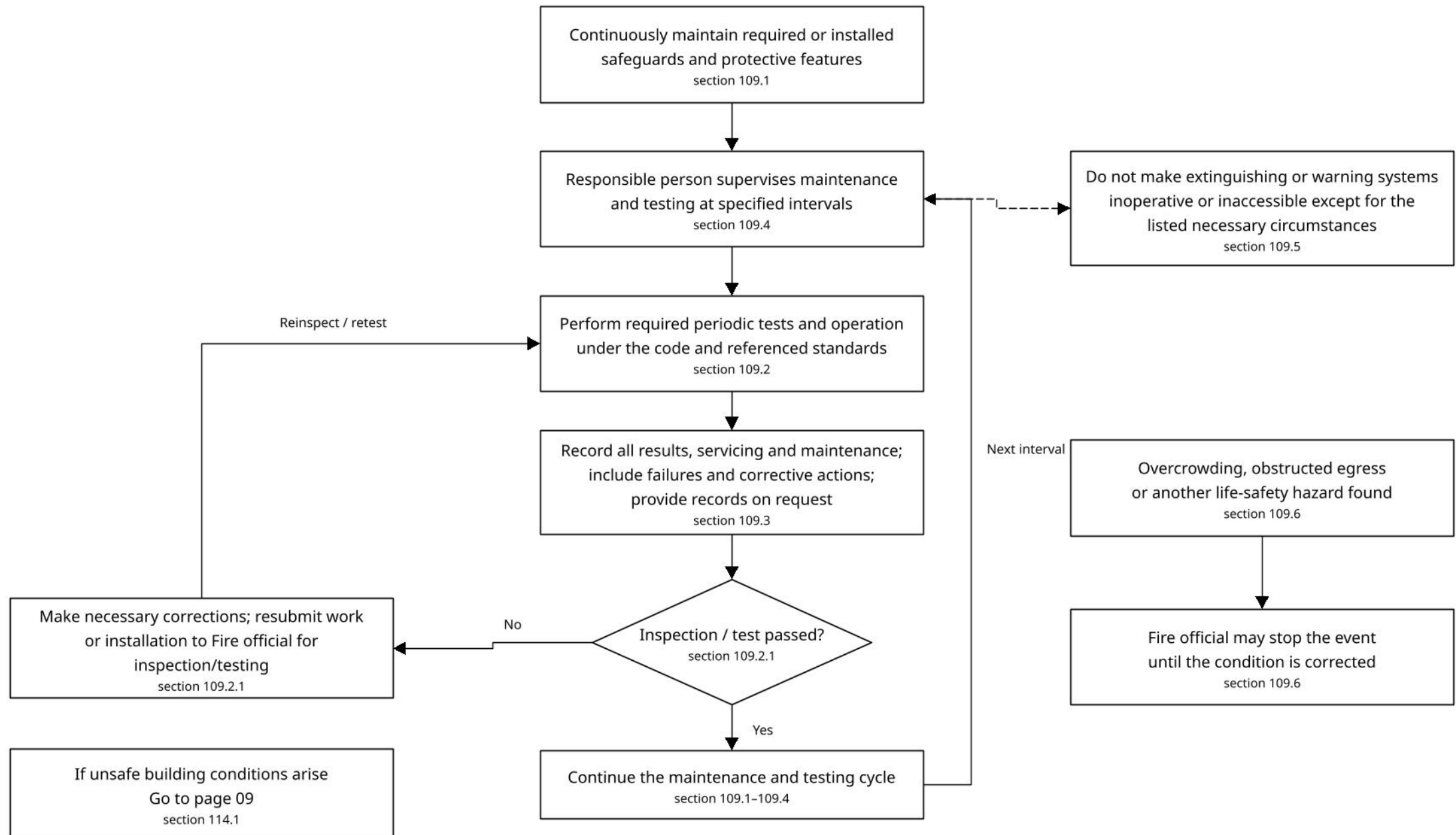


INSPECTION AUTHORITY Entry follows section 104.3, including credentials and lawful remedies if entry is refused; the Fire official carries identification (section 104.4). Record findings, notices and disposition (section 104.6.2).

APPROVAL LIMIT An inspection approval cannot authorise a code violation (section 108.4). The main occupancy endpoint applies after all applicable stages have been completed; conditional occupancy is a separate discretionary route.

Maintenance and recurring testing

Continuous owner or operator activity after installation or lawful occupation

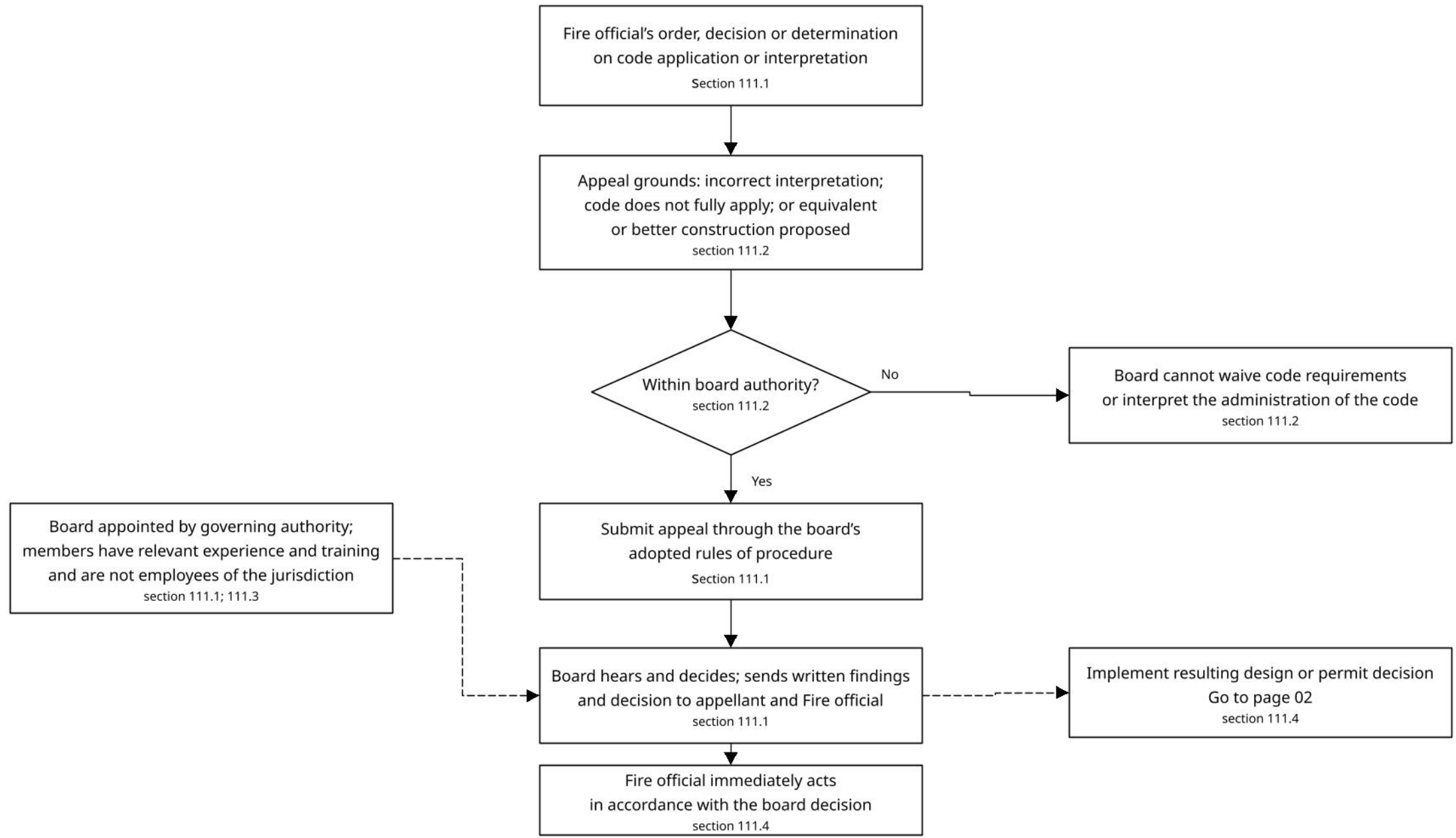


RECORD RETENTION Keep records on the premises or at another approved location for at least 3 years, unless the code or referenced standard specifies a different period (section 109.3).

PERMITTED NECESSITY section 109.5 lists emergencies, maintenance, repairs, alterations, drills and prescribed testing. It is not a blanket permission for an unmanaged impairment. Administrative and maintenance provisions also apply to existing conditions (section 102.2).

Appeal of a Fire official decision

Section 111 governs the appeal route, grounds, decision and implementation

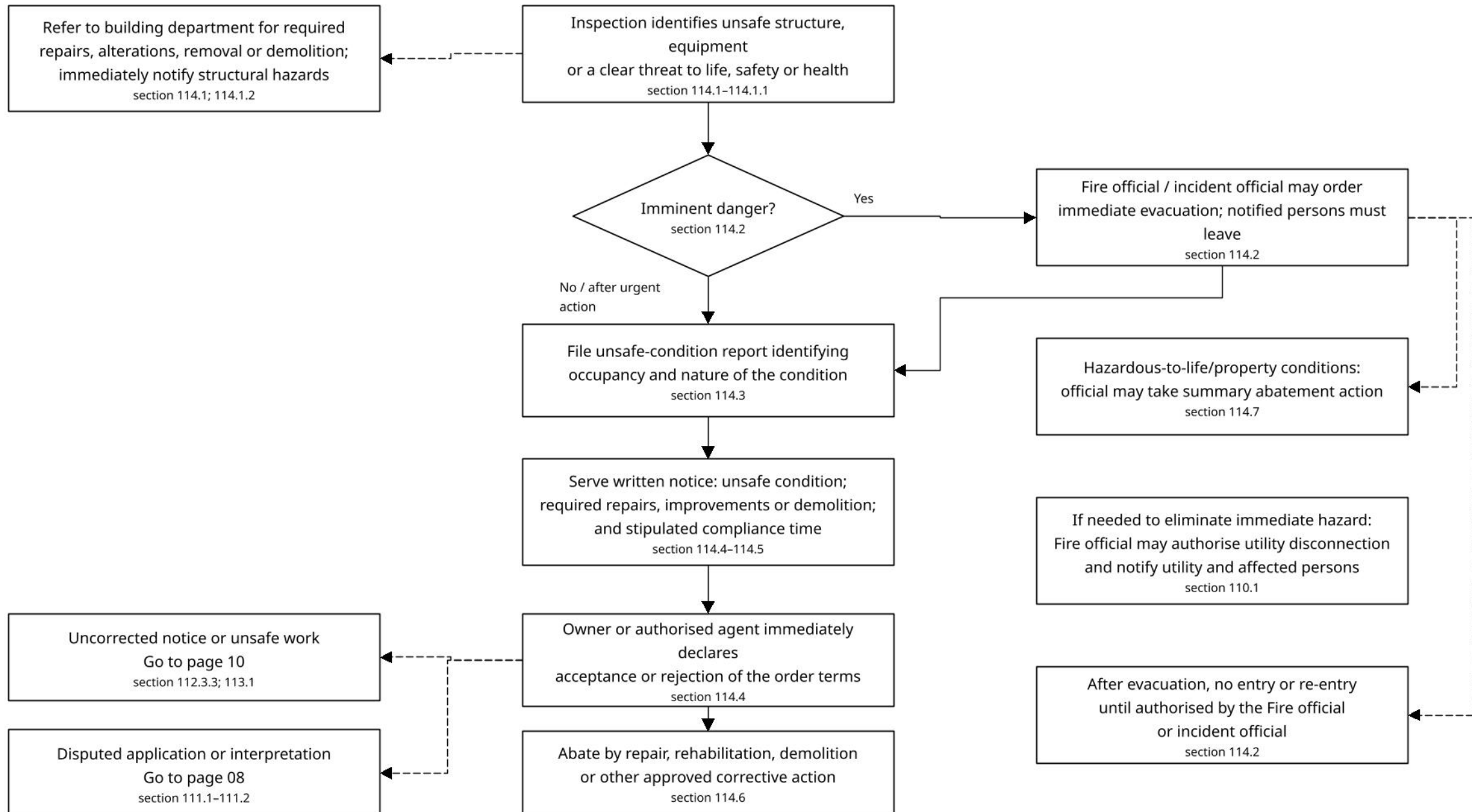


PROCEDURAL LIMITS section 111 does not set a fixed filing deadline or provide an automatic stay of a notice, stop-work order or evacuation. Follow the applicable board procedure; do not assume an appeal suspends urgent safety action.

The branch above screens appeal authority only. The board decides the merits of an admissible appeal and the Fire official implements its decision (sections 111.1–111.4).

Unsafe building assessment and action

Separate the immediate danger response from notice, remediation and authority follow-up

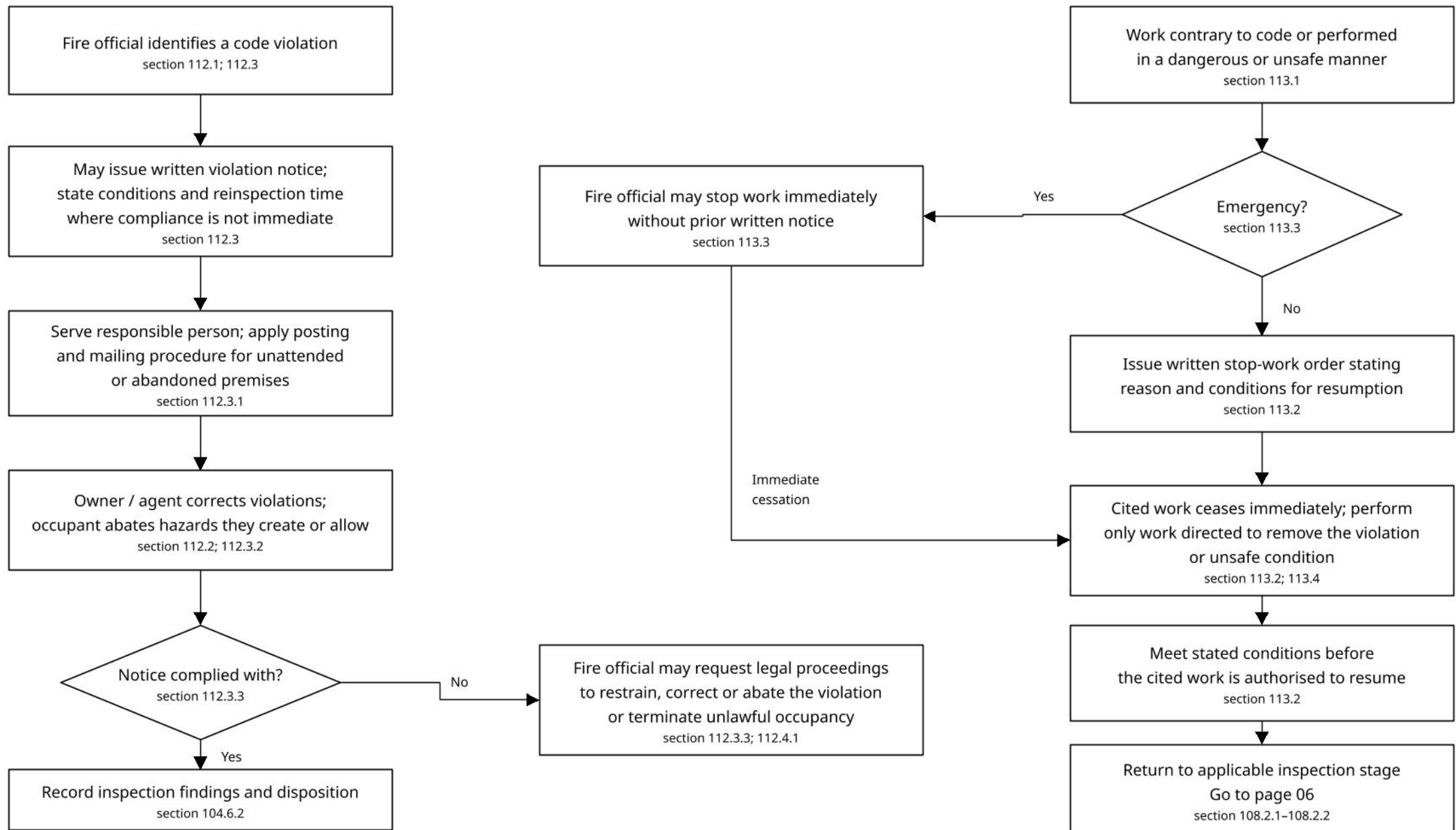


SERVICE Serve personally, by certified/registered mail with return receipt, or as local law permits; if that mail is returned undelivered, post conspicuously. Service on the authorised agent counts as service on the owner (section 114.5).

RESTORATION Applicable repairs, alterations, additions and occupancy changes must comply with section 105.1.5 and SBC 901 (section 114.6). Urgent measures are not conditional on completing the ordinary notice sequence.

Correction notices and stop work

Related routes supporting inspections, unsafe-building remediation and permit compliance



RECORDS AND SANCTIONS Official records follow section 104.6. Do not remove or tamper with authority notices, tags or seals (section 112.3.4). Permit revocation may also apply (section 105.4).

The source prints placeholders for offence / penalty amounts in sections 112.4 and 113.4. They are not fixed Saudi fines; use the applicable enacted provisions. Unsafe-building notices follow the separate section 114 procedure (page 09).