or other lateral force resisting members; and any other elements necessary to the vertical and lateral strength or stability of either the building as a whole or any of its parts including connections between such elements.

**STRUCTURAL ENGINEER** means a person licensed as a structural engineer under Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 6700), Division 3, the California Business and Professions Code.

**STRUCTURAL REPAIRS** means any change affecting existing or requiring new structural elements primarily intended to correct the effects of deterioration or impending or existing or requiring new structural elements primarily intended to correct the effects of deterioration or impending or actual failure, regardless of cause.

**HISTORY:**

1. (OSHPD 2/95) Regular order by the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development to amend Section 7-111. Filed with the secretary of state on August 14, 1996, becomes effective September 13, 1996. Approved by the California Building Standards Commission on March 19, 1996.
2. (OSHPD 1/96) 1996 Annual Code Adoption Cycle will amend Section 7-111, of Part 1, Title 24, C.C.R. Filed with the secretary of state on March 4, 1997; effective April 3, 1997. Approved by the California Building Standards Commission on February 6, 1997.

### ARTICLE 3

**APPROVAL OF CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS**

7-113. Application for plan, report or seismic compliance extension review.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this part, before commencing construction or alteration of any health facility, the governing board or authority thereof shall submit an application for plan review to the Office, and shall obtain the written approval thereof by the Office describing the scope of work included and any special conditions under which approval is given.

1. The application shall contain a definite identifying name for the health facility, the name of the architect or engineer who is in responsible charge of the work, pursuant to Section 7-115 (a), the names of the delegated architects or engineers responsible for the preparation of portions of the work pursuant to Section 7-115 (a) 3, the estimated cost of the project and all such other information required for completion of the application. The architect or engineer in responsible charge or having delegated responsibility may name one or more persons to act as an alternate(s), provided such persons are architects or engineers qualified under these regulations to assume the responsibility assigned.

2. Submission of documents to the Office may be in three consecutive stages:
   
   A. Geotechnical Review: One application for plan review and, when applicable, three copies of the site data must be attached.
   
   B. Preliminary Review: Two copies of reports or preliminary plans and outline specifications. Plans/drawings size shall not exceed 36 \( \times \) 48 inches, and bundled sets of plans/drawings shall not exceed 40 lbs in weight.

   C. Final Review: Two copies of final construction documents and reports. Plans/drawings size shall not exceed 36 \( \times \) 48 inches, and bundled sets of plans/drawings shall not exceed 40 lbs in weight.

(b) Application for seismic compliance extension requires submission of OSHPD Application Form #OSH-FD-384, "Application for 2008 Extension/Delay in Compliance.” The submittal must comply with the applicable requirements of Chapter 6, Article 1, Section 1.5.2 “Delay in Compliance.”

(c) For every project there shall be an architect or engineer in responsible charge of reviewing and coordinating all submittals, except as set forth in Section 7-115(c).

1. A project may be divided into parts, provided that each part is clearly defined by a building or similar distinct unit. The part, so defined, shall include all portions and utility systems or facilities necessary to the complete functioning of that part. Separate assignments of the delegated architects or engineers pursuant to Section 7-115 (a) 3 may be made for the parts. Incremental projects pursuant to Section 7-131 shall consist of only one building.

(d) The assignment of the delegated architect or engineer pursuant to Section 70-115 (a) 3 and the responsibility for the preparation of construction documents and the administration of the work of construction for portions of the work shall be clearly designated on the application for approval of reports or construction documents.

**Authority:** Health and Safety Code Sections 18929 and 129675–130070.

**Reference:** Health and Safety Code Section 129850.

**HISTORY:**

1. (OSHPD 2/95) Regular order by the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development to amend Section 7-113. Filed with the secretary of state on August 14, 1996, becomes effective September 13, 1996. Approved by the California Building Standards Commission on March 19, 1996.

### 7-115. Preparation of construction documents and reports.

(a) All construction documents or reports, except as provided in (c) below shall be prepared under an architect or engineer in responsible charge. Prior to submittal to the office, the architect or engineer in responsible charge for a project shall sign every sheet of the drawings, and the title sheet, cover sheet or signature sheet of specifications and reports. A notation may be provided on the drawings indicating the architect’s or engineer’s role in preparing and reviewing the documents. Plans/drawings submitted to the office shall not exceed the size and weight described in Section 7-113 (a) (2).

1. Except as provided in paragraph 2 below, the architect or engineer in responsible charge of the work shall be an architect or structural engineer.

2. For the purposes of this section, a mechanical, electrical or civil engineer may be the engineer in responsible charge of alteration or repair projects that do not affect architectural or structural conditions, and where the work is predominately of the kind normally performed by mechanical, electrical or civil engineers.

3. The architect or engineer in responsible charge may delegate the preparation of construction documents and administration of the work of construction for designated portions of the work to other architects and/or