

ICC B1

Find the condition. Keep the qualifier.

01 Move water away

The general grading rule calls for at least a 6-inch fall over the first 10 feet away from foundation walls.¹

Where physical barriers prevent that fall, use drains or swales. Impervious surfaces within 10 feet need at least a 2% slope away.¹

02 Do not borrow solid-lumber limits

Engineered members have a different alteration rule: cuts, notches, and holes require manufacturer permission or specific design consideration by a registered design professional.²

Identify whether the member is an I-joist, truss, or other listed engineered product before treating an opening as acceptable.²

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