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Subject: Clarification as to what constitutes a "flight" in a stair.

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Building Code Reference(s): Sentences 3.3.1.13.(1), 9.8.2.1.(1) and 3.4.6.7.(2)

**Question:**

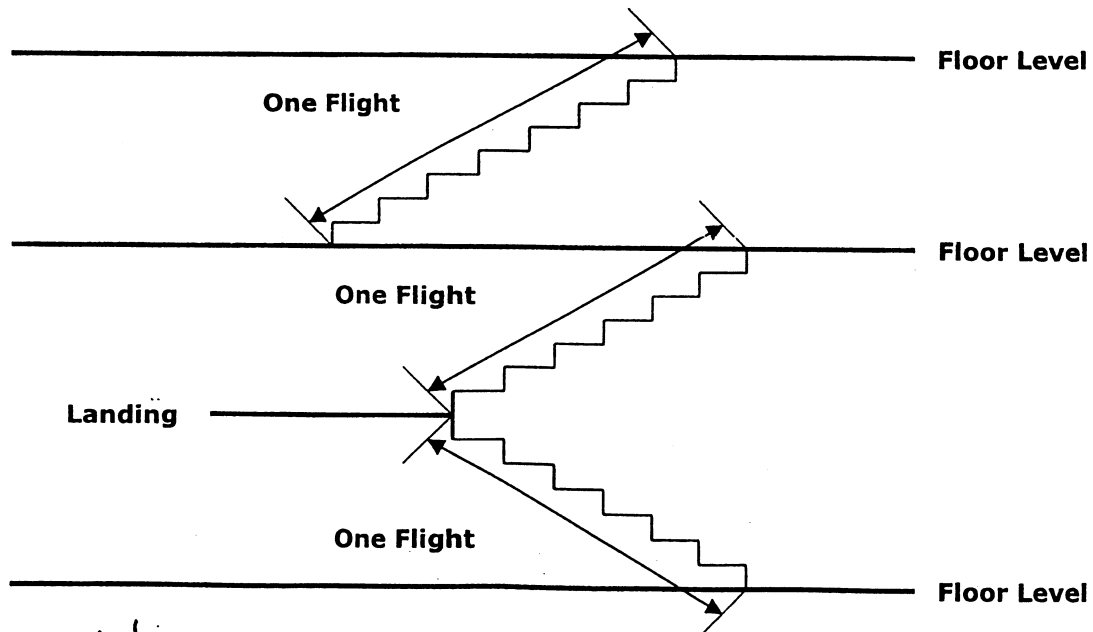
Sentences 3.4.6.7.(2) and 9.8.2.1.(1) require that treads and risers shall have uniform run and rise in any one flight.

Clarify what constitutes a flight in a stair for the purposes of Sentences 3.4.6.7.(2) and 9.8.2.1.(1).

**Interpretation:**

A "flight" in a stair means a series of consecutive steps from one landing to another. If a stair having no intermediate landings connects 2 floor levels, then the entire stair is a flight.

If there is 1 intermediate landing between the 2 floor levels, then there are 2 separate flights in the stair.



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