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**Cross Ventilation in Porches**

**Code:** 2002 Residential Code  
**Section:** R806

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**Question:**

Is cross ventilation required in the spaces enclosed by a porch roof?

**Answer:**

Section R806 gives provisions for roof ventilation. In that section it does not differentiate between attic space above inhabitable and uninhabitable spaces, therefore, porches would also require ventilation.