Smoke Detectors in Attics

Code:  2018 Residential Code
Section: R314.3

Question:
I have an attic with access from permanent stairs meeting the Residential Code, a ceiling height of 7 feet and floored over 75% of the area. Is a smoke detector required for this area?

Answers:
No.
A smoke detector is not required unless the attic area is finished and meets the definition of "habitable" in Section 202.

Yes.
A smoke detector is required if the attic space meets the definition of "attic, habitable" in Section 202.