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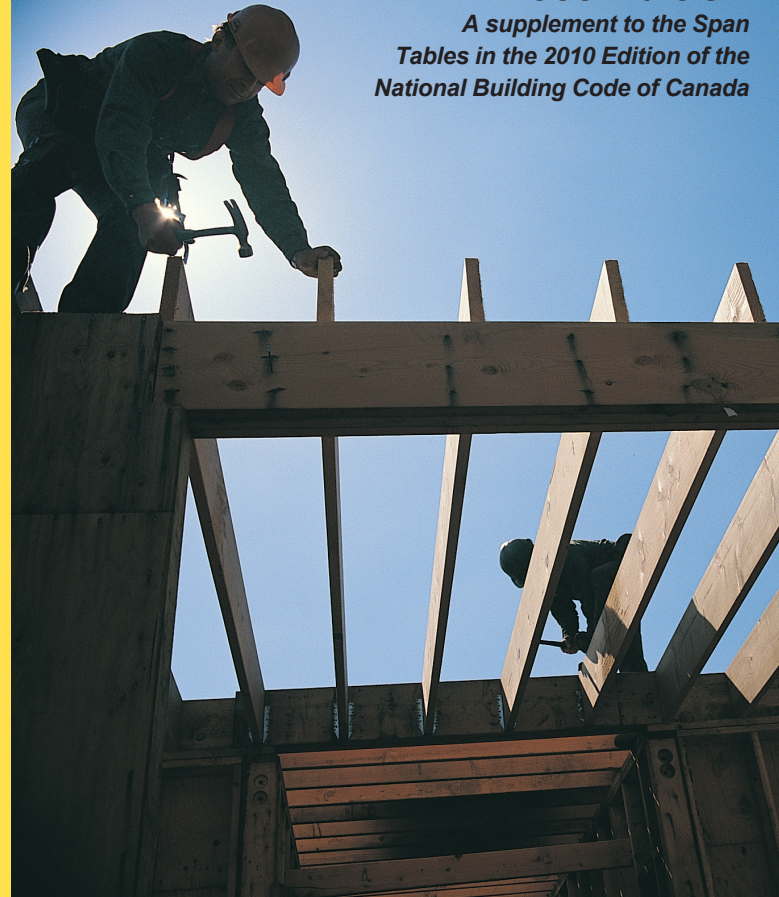
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*A supplement to the Span  
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The Span Book is a supplement to the wood joist, rafter and beam spans found in the National Building Code of Canada. Tables in the Span Book and the National Building Code were both generated by the Canadian Wood Council. The National Building Code references the Span Book as follows:

“Tables A-1 to A-16 cover only the most common configurations. Especially in the area of floors, a wide variety of other configurations is possible: glued subfloors, concrete toppings, machine stress rated lumber, etc. The Canadian Wood Council publishes ‘The Span Book’, a compilation of span tables covering many of these alternative configurations. Although these tables have not been subject to the formal committee review process, the Canadian Wood Council generates, for the CCBFC, all of the Code’s span tables for wood structural components; thus **Code users can be confident that the alternative span tables in the ‘The Span Book’ are consistent with the span tables in the Code and with relevant Code requirements.**”

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