

2022 California Code of Regulations, Title 24

Local Adoption with amendments



Commonly referred to as the California Building Codes

Based on 2021 International Codes

Updated every three years

Effective state-wide on Jan 1, 2023



- Local Jurisdictions may amend State Codes based on specific unique local conditions:
 - Topographic
 - Geologic
 - Climatic

EXAMPLES OF UNIQUE LOCAL CONDITIONS:

TOPOGRAPHIC:

- Steep hilly areas, Narrow streets, Poor access, Heavily vegetated

GEOLOGIC:

- Earthquake prone; Proximity to San Andreas and Hayward faults

CLIMATIC:

- Limited rainfall May through October; Periods of heavy rain in winter, leading to localized flooding & landslides
- Periods during summer & Fall with no rain, low humidity and high wind events (Diablo type winds) resulting in elevated fire danger

There were no adjustments made to amendments that were previous adopted.



Some of the most significant changes to the code Include:

- * Occupied roofs are clarified in 503.1.4. Occupied roof exiting was clarified – the distance across the roof is exit access. (1006.3) Occupied roofs above the 3rd story require accessible elevators. (1009.2.1)
- * Mass timber (type IV-A, B, and C construction) are integrated throughout the code. 508.4.4.1 tackles incidental separations within mass timber buildings. 602.4.1 to 604.2.3 tackle fire rated construction and shafts in IV-A to C buildings. Mass timber combines non-combustible [at least 2/3rds of the rating] and combustible materials to meet the rating. (722.7) Mass timber requires special inspection. (1705.5.3)
- * Exit stairs require more illumination (10 foot-candles) at the walking surface. (1008.2.1) Stairways at podium building requirements have slightly relaxed fire requirements. (510.2)
- * Water resistant barrier requirements split into Dry & Moist/Marine climates. (2510.6) Vapor retarder requirements broken into new tables and organization. (1404.3)
- * Shipping containers are now in the code. (3115)



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