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Upcoming Code Body Meetings



Meetings

State	Body	Date	Formula
New Hampshire	New Hampshire Mechanical Safety and Licensing Board Meeting	10/3/2023	Info
Massachusetts	Massachusetts Building Official Certification Committee Meeting	10/3/2023	Info
Indiana	Indiana Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission Meeting	10/3/2023	Info
Washington	Washington State Building Code Council Residential Code TAG Meeting	10/4/2023	Info
Massachusetts	Massachusetts Board of State Examiners of Plumbers and Gas Fitters	10/4/2023	Info
New Mexico	New Mexico Public Regulation Commission Meeting	10/5/2023	Info
Massachusetts	Massachusetts Building Code Appeals Board Meeting	10/5/2023	Info
Florida	Florida Building Structural Technical Advisory Committee	10/6/2023	Info
Florida	Florida Building Commission Special Occupancy and Structural Technical Advisory Committee	10/6/2023	Info
West Virginia	West Virginia State Fire Commission Meeting	10/6/2023	Info
Minnesota	Minnesota Board of Electricity Meeting	10/10/2023	Info
Arkansas	Arkansas Fire Protection Licensing Board Meeting	10/10/2023	Info
New Hampshire	New Hampshire Mechanical Safety and Licensing Board Meeting	10/11/2023	Info

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Recent Activity Alerts



Electrical/Plumbing

State	Date	Title
Oregon	10/1/2023	Oregon Adopts 2023 Plumbing Specialty Code
<p>The Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Service, Building Codes Division, has adopted the Oregon Plumbing Specialty Code (OPSC), which is based on the 2021 OPSC/2021 edition of the Uniform Plumbing Code (UPC) with Oregon-specific amendments. The effective date is October 1st, 2023, and a code amendment summary for Oregon-specific amendments will be publicly available in the coming weeks.</p>		
California	9/26/2023	California Building Standards Commission Adopts Interim Amendment to Electric Code for Fire Safety
<p>The California Building Standards Commission has filed a Tentative Interim Amendment issued by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) applicable to the 2020 National Electrical Code (NEC). Specifically, this TIA revises Article 210, Section 210.8(F) that addresses outdoor outlets rated 150-volts to ground, 50 amperes at dwelling units to enhance electrical safety.</p>		

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State Rules & Notices



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State	Pub. Date	Type	Title
CO	9/26/23	Emergency	Rules Regulating Gas Utilities
<p>The Public Utilities Commission published an emergency rule governing the operations of jurisdictional gas utilities, ensuring they provide services at just and reasonable rates while prioritizing safety, reliability, and environmental concerns. They extend regulation to master meter operators, covering a wide range of areas including planning, cost considerations, safety protocols, customer services, and environmental initiatives. Additionally, the rules grant the Commission authority to enforce penalties on public utilities for non-compliance.</p>			
CO	9/26/23	Final	Regulation Number 28 Building Benchmarking And Performance Standards
<p>This final rule establishes a new Regulation Number 28 to address greenhouse gas emissions attributable to buildings to include building performance standards for covered buildings, waivers and extensions, and data benchmarking and reporting requirements. It outlines energy-use benchmarking data reporting and building performance requirements for owners of existing and new covered buildings. Covered building owners are required to submit benchmarking data and additional specified information to the CEO annually. Newly constructed buildings must begin collecting benchmarking data upon receiving a certificate of occupancy and submit their first annual report the following year. For example, a building with a certificate of occupancy starting March 1, 2023, would need to submit data from March 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023, by June 1, 2024, and continue this reporting annually.</p>			
OR	10/1/23	Final	Adoption Of The 2023 Oregon Residential Specialty Code
<p>This final rule documents the 2023 Oregon Residential Specialty Code which adopts the 2021 edition of the International Residential Code for One- and Two-Family Dwellings as published by the International Code Council, Inc., Chapters 1 through 24 and Chapter 44, Appendices E, F, H, K, R, S, U, and W and as further amended by the Division. Chapters 25 through 43. The rule goes into effective on October 1, 2023.</p>			