Building Code Alerts - October 15th, 2024



Upcoming Code Body Meetings

State	Body	Date	Formula
Minnesota	Minnesota Plumbing Board Meeting	10/15/2024	<u>Info</u>
Delaware	Delaware Fire Prevention Commission Regular Monthly Meeting	10/15/2024	<u>Info</u>
Oregon	Oregon Performance Standards Program Rulemaking Advisory Committee Meeting	10/15/2024	<u>Info</u>
Washington	Washington State Building Code Council Fire Code TAG Meeting	10/15/2024	<u>Info</u>
Washington	Washington State Building Code Council MVPE TAG Meeting	10/16/2024	<u>Info</u>
California	California Building Standards Commission Meeting	10/17/2024	<u>Info</u>
Washington	Washington State Building Code Council Meeting	10/18/2024	<u>Info</u>
Virginia	Virginia State Building Code Technical Review Board Meeting	10/18/2024	<u>Info</u>
Virginia	Virginia Board for Contractors Meeting	10/22/2024	<u>Info</u>
Idaho	Idaho Building Code Board Meeting	10/22/2024	<u>Info</u>
Washington	Washington State Building Code Council Fire Code TAG Meeting	10/22/2024	<u>Info</u>
Washington	Washington State Building Code TAG Meeting	10/24/2024	<u>Info</u>
Washington	Washington State Building Code Council Energy Code TAG Meeting	10/25/2024	<u>Info</u>
Idaho	Idaho HVAC Board Meeting	10/30/2024	<u>Info</u>
Minnesota	Minnesota Plumbing Board 2024 UPC Ad Hoc Rulemaking Committee Meeting	11/6/2024	<u>Info</u>
Washington	Washington State Building Code Council MVPE Committee Meeting	11/8/2024	<u>Info</u>
California	California Energy Commission Business Meeting	11/13/2024	<u>Info</u>
Indiana	Indiana Building Code Update Committee Meeting	11/13/2024	<u>Info</u>

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Energy

State	Date	Title
		New Federally Funded Residential Energy Rebate Programs
California	10/08/2024	<u>Launching in California</u>

The California Energy Commission announced that the first of two Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)-funded programs is accepting applications. Rebates for energy efficiency and electrification upgrades to multifamily buildings are the first phase of the HEEHRA Program in California. HEEHRA is one of a suite of federal- and state-funded programs making buildings more efficient, comfortable, and resilient in the face of climate change impacts, while reducing their greenhouse gas emissions.

Building

State	Date	Title
		Washington State Building Code Council Addresses Climate and
		Care: Key Agenda Highlights Include Carbon Study and Support
Washington	10/18/2024	for Adult Family Homes

The Washington State Building Code Council agenda includes a presentation by the Carbon Leadership Forum on an embodied carbon study for the legislature, and a petition for emergency rulemaking concerning adult family homes. The petition emphasizes the need for clarity and support for these homes, as they provide essential housing and care for elderly and disabled adults, while addressing potential discriminatory barriers in local ordinances. Additionally, a letter to Representative Duerr discusses the Wildland-Urban Interface Code.

	Oklahoma Building Code Commission Seeks Volunteers for 2024	
Oklahoma		Code Review Committees

The Oklahoma Uniform Building Code Commission is seeking volunteers to join various committees for the review of the 2024 International Residential Code. Interested individuals can apply by submitting a Technical Review Committee Application until November 22, 2024, with review meetings anticipated to start in January 2025. The committees include Residential Building, Residential Electrical, and Residential Mechanical and Plumbing.

Plumbing

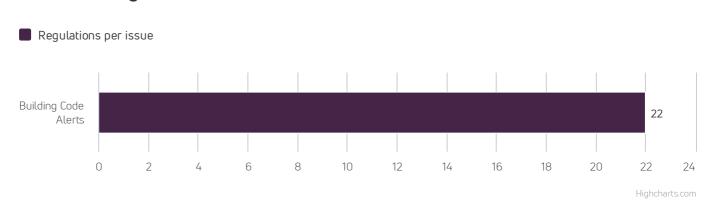
State	Date	Title
		Minnesota Plumbing Board to Convene on 10/15/24 with
		Updates from 2024 UPC Rulemaking Committee and
Minnesota	10/15/2024	Construction Codes Advisory Council

The Minnesota Plumbing Board will convene on 10/15/24. Notable agenda items include committee reports from the 2024 UPC ad hoc Rulemaking Committee and the Construction Codes Advisory Council.

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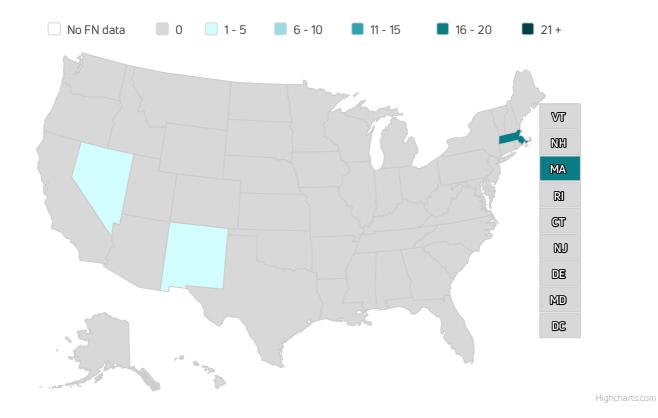
Building Codes Legislative and Regulatory Alerts 2024.10.15

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US Policy Map

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Building Code Alerts Regulations

22 Regulations

780 CMR 51.00

Title: Massachusetts Residential Code

Type: Final

Citations: 780 CMR 51.00

Agency: Department of Public Safety

Publication Date: Oct 11, 2024

Summary: This regulation adopts and incorporates the 2021 Edition of the International Residential Code. It provides that buildings must be designed and constructed in accordance with the 2021 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) and establishes wind limitations and wind design requirements for concrete construction, structural insulated panels, and cold-formed steel light-frame construction. In addition, it amends townhouse and one- and two-family dwellings automatic sprinkler systems requirements and foundational and footing requirements for concrete buildings.

Location: US-MA

780 CMR 35.00

Title: Referenced Standards

Tupe: Final

Citations: 780 CMR 35.00

Agency: Department of Public Safety

Publication Date: Oct 11, 2024

Summary: This regulation lists the standards that are referenced in various sections of the

Massachusetts Building Code. Notably, multiple NFPA standards are included.

Location: US-MA

780 CMR 34.00

Title: Existing Building Code

Type: Final

Citations: 780 CMR 34.00

Agency: Department of Public Safety

Publication Date: Oct 11, 2024

Summary: This regulation amends the Existing Building Code of Massachusetts and applies to the repair, alteration, change of occupancy, addition to, and relocation of existing buildings. It provides smoke alarm requirements, structural requirements for alterations, and anchorage requirements.

Location: US-MA

780 CMR 31.00

Title: Special Construction

Type: Final

Citations: 780 CMR 31.00

Agency: Department of Public Safety

Publication Date: Oct 11, 2024

Summary: This regulation governs special building construction including membrane structures, temporary structures, pedestrian walkways and tunnels, automatic vehicular gates, awnings and canopies, marquees, signs, towers, antennas, relocatable buildings, swimming pool enclosures and safety devices, solar energy systems, public use restroom buildings on publicly owned lands in flood hazard areas, and intermodal shipping containers, temporary overnight shelters, and temporary emergency uses. It provides that the design and construction of swimming pools, spas and hot tubs must comply with the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code. Swimming pools shall comply with the requirements of this section and other applicable sections of 780 CMR. See M.G.L. c. 140, § 206 for enclosures to public and semi-public outdoor in-ground swimming pools; 521 CMR 19.00: Recreational Facilities; 105 CMR 430.00: Minimum Standards for Recreational Camps for Children (State Sanitary Code: Chapter IV) and 105 CMR 435.00: Minimum Standards for Swimming Pools.

Location: US-MA

780 CMR 29.00

Title: Plumbing Systems

Type: Final

Citations: 780 CMR 29.00

Agency: Department of Public Safety

Publication Date: Oct 11, 2024

Summary: This regulation amends the previous building codes to provide that private sewage disposal systems must conform to 310 CMR 15.00: The State Environmental Code Regulating Septic

Systems (Title 5). **Location:** US-MA

780 CMR 28.00

Title: Mechanical Systems

Type: Final

Citations: 780 CMR 28.00

Agency: Department of Public Safety

Publication Date: Oct 11, 2024

Summary: This regulation amends the scope of the Massachusetts building codes and provides that the International Mechanical Code, the International Residential Code, the International Energy Conservation Code, 248 CMR: Board of State Examiners of Plumbers and Gas Fitters shall govern the design, construction, erection and installation of mechanical appliances, equipment, and systems used in buildings and structures covered by this code. In addition, masonry chimneys, fireplaces and barbecues shall comply with the International Mechanical Code and Chapter 21 of this code and the International Existing Building Code, the International Mechanical Code, and 248 CMR: Board of State Examiners of Plumbers and Gas Fitters shall govern the alteration, repair, relocation, replacement and addition of mechanical components, appliances, equipment and systems.

Location: US-MA

780 CMR 27.00

Title: Electrical
Type: Final

Citations: 780 CMR 27.00

Agency: Department of Public Safety

Publication Date: Oct 11, 2024

Summary: This regulation amends the scope of the Massachusetts building codes and provides that this chapter governs the electrical components, equipment and systems used in buildings and structures covered by 780 CMR. It provides that standby power must be available for stationary generators and elevators and platform lifts.

Location: US-MA

780 CMR 23.00

Title: Wood
Type: Final

Citations: 780 CMR 23.00

Agency: Department of Public Safety

Publication Date: Oct 11, 2024

Summary: This regulation adds a subsection to the Massachusetts building codes providing that native lumber is acceptable for use in one- and two-family dwellings, barns, sheds, and agricultural and accessory structures and as columns when the design loads are as required. It provides the sizing and stress criteria for native lumber.

Location: US-MA

780 CMR 22.00

Title: Steel
Type: Final

Citations: 780 CMR 22.00

Agency: Department of Public Safety

Publication Date: Oct 11, 2024

Summary: This final rule provides shop drawing requirements as well as limitations on cold-formed steel framed shear walls and gypsum board and fiberboard sheathed cold-formed steel framed shear walls.

Location: US-MA

780 CMR 21.00

Title: Masonry
Type: Final

Citations: 780 CMR 21.00

Agency: Department of Public Safety

Publication Date: Oct 11, 2024

Summary: This final rule amends masonry requirements, adding subsections regarding vertical reinforcement at openings and horizontal shear reinforcements. In addition, it provides that non-participating elements (i.e., those isolated from in-plane force) should be reinforced unless exempted by the chapter.

Location: US-MA

780 CMR 19.00

Title: Concrete **Tupe:** Final

Citations: 780 CMR 19.00

Agency: Department of Public Safety

Publication Date: Oct 11, 2024

Summary: This final rule adds Seismic Design Category B and C, in addition to D, E, and F. In addition, it adds that plain concrete pedestals shall not be used to resist lateral seismic forces, and reinforcing steel dowels should extend from the plain concrete footing into the supported pedestals, columns or walls.

Location: US-MA

780 CMR 18.00

Title: Soils And Foundations

Type: Final

Citations: 780 CMR 18.00

Agency: Department of Public Safety

Publication Date: Oct 11, 2024

Summary: This final rule amends Massachusetts building code pertaining to soils and foundations. It provides investigation requirements by building officials, foundation drain requirements, and a table outlining the presumptive allowable vertical bearing pressures. In addition, the final rule outlines ground improvement provisions.

Location: US-MA

780 CMR 16.00

Title: Structural Design

Type: Final

Citations: 780 CMR 16.00

Agency: Department of Public Safety

Publication Date: Oct 11, 2024

Summary: This final rule provides flood design data requirements for buildings and outlines ground snow load, pg, basic wind speed, V, and earthquake response accelerations for the maximum considered earthquake, SS and S1, for each city and town in the Commonwealth. It then details the design and structural requirements for flooding and seismic forces.

Location: US-MA

780 CMR 13.00

Title: Energy Efficiency

Type: Final

Citations: 780 CMR 13.00

Agency: Department of Public Safety

Publication Date: Oct 11, 2024

Summary: This final rule amends various energy efficiency provisions in the Massachusetts building codes. It provides building performance certification methods, commercial energy efficiency requirements, and adds definitions regarding electric vehicles.

Location: US-MA

780 CMR 11.00

Title: Accessibility

Type: Final

Citations: 780 CMR 11.00

Agency: Department of Public Safety

Publication Date: Oct 11, 2024

Summary: This regulation provides that all public buildings shall be designed to be accessible to, and functional and safe for the use by, physically disabled persons, and conform to the requirements of 521 CMR. This must be enforced by the building official or the state inspector.

Location: US-MA

780 CMR 10.00

Title: Means Of Egress

Type: Final

Citations: 780 CMR 10.00

Agency: Department of Public Safety

Publication Date: Oct 11, 2024

Summary: This final rule amends means of egress provisions, providing for the maintenance of exterior stairs and fire escapes and testing and certification of all exterior bridges, steel or wooden stairways, fire escapes and egress balconies. The rule also includes fire safety requirements regarding exterior doors and locks to apartment houses, electrical rooms, single exits, and stairway doors.

Location: US-MA

780 CMR 2.00

Title: Definitions

Type: Final

Citations: 780 CMR 2.00

Agency: Department of Public Safety

Publication Date: Oct 11, 2024

Summary: This final rule amends various definitions used in the Massachusetts building codes.

Location: US-MA

780 CMR 1.00

Title: Scope And Administration

Type: Final

Citations: 780 CMR 1.00

Agency: Department of Public Safety

Publication Date: Oct 11, 2024

Summary: The Massachusetts State Building Code, Tenth Edition (780 CMR), adopts the International Building Code-2021 with amendments and applies to all towns, cities, and state agencies. It governs construction, reconstruction, alteration, and use of buildings, excluding structures under the control of specific state agencies like the Massachusetts Department of Transportation. The code also covers building maintenance, material standards, safety, energy conservation, and fire protection practices.

Location: US-MA

220 CMR 101.00

Title: Massachusetts Natural Gas Pipeline Safety Code

Type: Final

Citations: 220 CMR 101.00

Agency: Department of Public Utilities

Publication Date: Oct 11, 2024

Summary: This rule governs natural gas pipeline safety in Massachusetts and aligns with the 2021 Climate Policy Act. It incorporates safety recommendations from the Dynamic Risk Statewide Assessment and the National Transportation Safety Board, following the 2018 Merrimack Valley incident. The updates enhance safety and regulatory compliance.

Location: US-MA

220 CMR 100.00

Title: Massachusetts Code For Storage, Transportation, And Distribution Of Gas

Type: Final

Citations: 220 CMR 100.00

Agency: Department of Public Utilities

Publication Date: Oct 11, 2024

Summary: This final rule applies to storage, transportation, or gas distribution and is not limited to gas corporations, gas companies, or municipal gas departments. These regulations apply to new construction and installations after October 11, 2024, and do not apply retroactively to existing installations.

Location: US-MA

14.7.2 NMAC

Title: 2021 New Mexico Commercial Building Code; 2021 New Mexico Residential Building Code

Type: Proposed

Citations: 14.7.2 NMAC

Agency: Construction Industries & Manufactured Housing

Publication Date: Oct 08, 2024

Summary: This rule amends the 2021 New Mexico Commercial Building Code to provide that the requirements of the automatic sprinkler system will not be required if a primary and secondary exit are provided to a public way. The 2021 New Mexico Residential Building Code is also amended to provide that if the occupant load of the residence is more than 12, including those who are residents, during the time of operation of the day care, two exits are required from the ground level story.

Location: US-NM

Title: Revises Various Provisions Relating To Housing

Type: Proposed **Citations:** NAC 489

Agency: Department of Business and Industry

Publication Date: Oct 08, 2024

Summary: This proposed rule aims to incorporate the 2018 edition of the International Building Codes including the International Mechanical Code, International Electrical Code, and the International Plumbing Code. The rule also incorporates the 2018 edition of the International Residential Code for One- and Two-Family Dwellings.

Location: US-NV