

2019 CALIFORNIA RESIDENTIAL CODE

CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS | TITLE 24, PART 2.5

Based on the 2018 International Residential Code®

California Building Standards Commission



IMPORTANT NOTICE

Act now to keep your code up-to-date. The purchase of this code includes a free subscription for all State-issued supplements and errata. To receive these important updates through 2022, you **MUST** register online www.iccsafe.org/CAL19

2019 CALIFORNIA RESIDENTIAL CODE

CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS
TITLE 24, PART 2.5

Based on the 2018 International Residential Code®

California Building Standards Commission



Effective January 1, 2020

For Errata and Supplement effective dates see the History Note Appendix

2019 California Residential Code
California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 2.5

First Printing: July 2019

ISBN: 978-1-60983-892-8

COPYRIGHT © 2019
by
INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL, INC.

ALL RIGHTS RESERVED. This 2019 *California Residential Code* contains substantial copyrighted material from the 2018 *International Residential Code*, which is a copyrighted work owned by the International Code Council, Inc. Without advance written permission from the copyright owner, no part of this book may be reproduced, distributed or transmitted in any form or by any means, including, without limitation, electronic, optical or mechanical means (by way of example and not limitation, photocopying, or recording by or in an information storage retrieval system). For information on use rights and permissions please contact: ICC Publications, 4051 Flossmoor Road, Country Club Hills, IL 60478. Phone 1-888-ICC-SAFE (422-7233).

Trademarks: “International Code Council,” the “International Code Council” logo, “ICC,” the “ICC” logo, “International Residential Code,” “IRC” and other names and trademarks appearing in this book are registered trademarks of the International Code Council, Inc., and/or its licensors (as applicable), and may not be used without permission.

PRINTED IN THE USA

PREFACE

This document is Part 2.5 of thirteen parts of the official triennial compilation and publication of the adoptions, amendments and repeal of administrative regulations to *California Code of Regulations, Title 24*, also referred to as the *California Building Standards Code*. This part is known as the *California Residential Code*.

The *California Building Standards Code* is published in its entirety every three years by order of the California legislature, with supplements published in intervening years. The California legislature delegated authority to various state agencies, boards, commissions and departments to create building regulations to implement the State's statutes. These building regulations, or standards, have the same force of law, and take effect 180 days after their publication unless otherwise stipulated. The *California Building Standards Code* applies to occupancies in the State of California as annotated.

A city, county, or city and county may establish more restrictive building standards reasonably necessary because of local climatic, geological or topographical conditions. Findings of the local condition(s) and the adopted local building standard(s) must generally be filed with the California Building Standards Commission (or other filing if indicated) to become effective, and may not be effective sooner than the effective date of this edition of the *California Building Standards Code*. Local building standards that were adopted and applicable to previous editions of the *California Building Standards Code* do not apply to this edition without appropriate adoption and the required filing.

Should you find publication (e.g., typographical) errors or inconsistencies in this code or wish to offer comments toward improving its format, please address your comments to:

California Building Standards Commission
2525 Natomas Park Drive, Suite 130
Sacramento, CA 95833-2936
Phone: (916) 263-0916
Email: cbsc@dgs.ca.gov
Web page: www.dgs.ca.gov/bsc

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The 2019 *California Building Standards Code* (Code) was developed through the outstanding collaborative efforts of the Department of Housing and Community Development, Division of State Architect, Office of the State Fire Marshal, Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development, California Energy Commission, California Department of Public Health, California State Lands Commission, Board of State and Community Corrections, and the California Building Standards Commission (Commission).

This collaborative effort included the assistance of the Commission's Code Advisory Committees and many other volunteers who worked tirelessly to assist the Commission in the production of this Code.

Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr.
Members of the California Building Standards Commission
Secretary Marybel Batjer – Chair
Steven Winkel – Vice-Chair
James Barthman Larry Booth
Erick Mikiten Elley Klausbruckner
Rajesh Patel Juvilyn Alegre
Peter Santillan Kent Sasaki
Mia Marvelli – Executive Director
Michael L. Nearman – Deputy Executive Director

For questions on California state agency amendments, please refer to the contact list on page iv.