The Triennial Adoption of the 2025 California Building Code





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- Part 12 CALIFORNIA REFERENCE STANDARD CODE





Effective January 2026

All permit applications submitted on or after this date will be under the new code.





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https://www.dgs.ca.gov/BSC/Codes



Code Adoption Activities

Website, Handouts

- Code Edition Year updated from 2022 to 2025
- Code section references checked and updated as necessary
- Updated code requirements added

Public Outreach

Presentation to NCCA and other community groups



Legislative Notes

- AB 130: Imposes a six-year moratorium on most new or changed residential building codes from June 1, 2025, to June 1, 2031, with limited exceptions for emergencies and fire hardening.
- AB 306: Prohibits a city or county, from making changes or adopting more restrictions to the State Housing Law and Building Code standards applicable to residential units unless certain conditions are met.



Wildland-Urban Interface Code

- Strengthens fire-resistance standards for new and existing structures in fire-prone areas.
- Key features include stricter requirements for building materials (such as roofs and walls) to resist embers, along with mandatory fuel management and "defensible space" around properties.



Fire Amendments

- Auxiliary Energy System Disconnect Switch Location
- Automatic Sprinkler Systems for residential structures that include attached storage or factory occupanies



Auxiliary Energy System DisconnectSwitch

- A remote auxiliary energy system disconnect switch shall be provided.
- Auxiliary Energy System Disconnect Switch location
- Auxiliary Energy System Disconnect Switch Labeling



903.2.4 Automatic Sprinkler Systems

A Group F-1 occupancy is attached to an R occupancy, the entire building shall contain a fire sprinkler system.



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A Group S-1 occupancy is attached to an R occupancy, the entire building shall contain a fire sprinkler system.



QUESTIONS

