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CALIFORNIA BUILDING STANDARDS COMMISSION INFORMATION BULLETIN 24-01

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TO: CBSC INTERESTED PARTIES

LOCAL BUILDING DEPARTMENTS

STATE AGENCIES AND DEPARTMENTS

SUBJECT: 2022 California Building Standards Code: 2022 Intervening Code

Adoption Cycle Supplement

The purpose of this information bulletin is to notify code users of changes recently adopted during the 2022 Intervening Code Adoption Cycle. These changes were published as Supplements (blue pages) to various parts of the 2022 California Building Standards Code, Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations (Title 24) on or before January 1, 2024, and become effective and enforceable July 1, 2024. Additionally, this bulletin explains the purpose and application of Supplements, and also provides references to regulations and laws that identify state agency authority to promulgate regulations into Title 24 for specific occupancy types.

The California Building Standards Commission (CBSC) approved changes affecting the following parts of Title 24:

- Part 1—California Administrative Code
- Part 2—California Building Code, Volumes 1 and 2
- Part 2.5—California Residential Code
- Part 3—California Electrical Code
- Part 4—California Mechanical Code
- Part 5—California Plumbing Code
- Part 6—California Energy Code (index only)
- Part 9—California Fire Code
- Part 10—California Existing Building Code
- Part 11—California Green Building Standards Code (CALGreen)

Effective Dates and Application of the 2022 Intervening Code Adoption Cycle Supplement

During the <u>2022 Intervening Code Adoption Cycle</u> rulemakings were approved by CBSC and filed with the California Secretary of State. See the History Notes contained in the Supplements for effective dates.

As provided for in <u>Health and Safety Code (HSC) Section 18938.5</u>, only those building standards approved by CBSC and that are effective at the local level at the time an application for a building permit is submitted shall apply to the plans and specifications for, and to the construction performed under, that permit. The 2022 edition of Title 24 remains in effect and is applicable to all plans and specifications for, and to the construction performed under, that building permit. The provisions contained within the 2022 Intervening Code Supplement become effective and are enforceable as noted below.

Effective Dates

- July 1, 2024, is the statewide effective date established by CBSC pursuant to
 Health and Safety Code Section 18938, subdivision (c) for the majority of the
 rulemakings approved by CBSC at its June 27-29 and August 1-3, 2023, meetings.
 Please take note that the Supplement (blue pages) will reflect the effective date for
 the rulemakings; this effective date is also included in the History Note Appendix.
 The History Note Appendix is an important element to consult when determining
 the effective date of these regulations.
- July 30, 2023, is the statewide effective date for rulemakings affecting the California Administrative Code (Cal. Code Regs., Title 24, Part 1), which were approved at the June 27-29, 2023, commission meeting and filed with the Secretary of State on June 30, 2023. Please consult the History Note Appendix accompanying the Supplement to verify the effective date of the regulations.

The regulations in the 2022 Title 24 Supplement have been promulgated by the following state agencies:

- Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC)
- California Building Standards Commission (BSC)
- Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD)
- Division of the State Architect Access Compliance (DSA-AC)
- Division of the State Architect Structural Safety (DSA-SS)
- Division of the State Architect Structural Safety/Community Colleges (DSA-SS/CC)
- Office of the State Fire Marshal (SFM)
- Office of Statewide Hospital Planning and Development (OSHPD)

Significant Changes to Title 24:

CBSC has developed and published a 2022 Title 24 Supplement Code Changes resource which identifies specific sections in each of the affected parts of Title 24 that were modified during the recently concluded rulemaking process of the 2022 Intervening Code Adoption Cycle. This resource is posted on CBSC's Guidebooks on Title 24 webpage.

Code users should also refer to the margin markings in the 2022 Supplement publications which identify specific deletions and additions to the code text in Title 24.

Enforcement Responsibility

The California Building Standards Code is the established minimum standard for the design and construction of buildings and structures in California. State law mandates that local government enforce Title 24 standards as amended by approved local ordinances (see *Amendment by Local Ordinance* that follows).

Exceptions to local enforcement are building standards applicable to hospitals, state buildings, public schools and colleges that are subject to enforcement by state agencies. For detailed information regarding enforcement responsibilities for building standards promulgated by the various state proposing and adopting agencies see Chapter 1, Division 1, commencing with Section 1.1, of the California Building Code, Part 2, Volume 1 of Title 24.

Reference Health & Safety Code (HSC) Sections <u>17950</u>, <u>17958.7</u>, <u>17960</u>, <u>18938</u> and <u>18941.5</u>

Amendment by Local Ordinance

Local ordinances that amend Title 24 building standards are subject to requirements of California law and must be enacted and filed for each edition of the California Building Standards Code. Ordinances generally must exercise more restrictive standards than the building standards approved/adopted by the commission. These amendments must be filed and accepted, as appropriate, with CBSC, the Department of Housing and Community Development, the Office of the State Fire Marshal, or the State Historical Building Safety Board before they are enforceable at the local level.

The <u>Local Code Ordinance</u> page has a number of helpful resources including the 2022 edition of the *Guide for Local Amendments of Building Standards* and the updated *California Code Adoption for Local Jurisdictions* webinar.

Availability of the 2022 California Building Standards Code Supplements

The California Building Standards Code supplements and errata are provided by various publishers and available to download on the <u>CBSC Codes</u> webpage (dgs.ca.gov/BSC/Codes) at no cost. Those who have purchased Title 24 from a publisher and registered their purchase should automatically receive printed supplement pages or an update to their electronic version of the code. The codes, supplements and errata are also viewable at no cost at several <u>State Document Depository Libraries</u>.

Reference Health & Safety Code (HSC) Sections <u>17950</u>, <u>17958</u>, <u>17958.5</u>, <u>17958.7</u>, <u>18938</u>, <u>18941.5</u> and <u>18959</u>

Sincerely,

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