



**DATE:** January 1, 2026  
**FROM:** Permit Services – Plan Review  
**SUBJECT:** Applicable Building Codes

Improved safety, sustainability, maintaining consistency, new technology and construction methods, and reliability are paramount to the development of building codes during each Triennial and Intervening Code Adoption Cycle. The California Building Standards Code, Title 24, serves as the basis for the design and construction of buildings in California. California’s building codes are published in their entirety every three (3) years. Effective January 1, 2026, all permit application will need to be submitted under the following design standards.

- Part 1 – 2025 California Administrative Code**
- Part 2 – 2025 California Building Code – Volume 1 and 2**
- Part 2.5 – 2025 California Residential Code**
- Part 3 – 2025 California Electrical Code**
- Part 4 – 2025 California Mechanical Code**
- Part 5 – 2025 California Plumbing Code**
- Part 6 – 2025 California Energy Code**
- Part 7 - 2025 California Wildland-Urban Interface Code**
- Part 8 – 2025 California Historical Building Code**
- Part 9 – 2025 California Fire Code – with local modifications**
- Part 10 – 2025 California Existing Building Code**
- Part 11 – 2025 California Green Building Standards Code**
- Part 12 – 2025 California Referenced Standards Code**

CLIMATIC AND GEOGRAPHIC DESIGN CRITERIA				
GROUND SNOW LOAD	WIND DESIGN		SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY	FLOOD HAZARDS
	SPEED (MPH)	TOPOGRAPHIC EFFECTS		
0	95*	No	D2 through E	NFIP: May 4, 1981 FIS: June 21, 2017

\*The [ASCE Wind Design Geodatabase](https://asce7hazardtool.online) can be accessed at the ASCE 7 Hazard Tool (<https://asce7hazardtool.online>) or approved equivalent.