



North Dakota Division of Community Services Notice to Update and Amend the State Building Code March 2025

The North Dakota legislative assembly has mandated that the state building code consist of the International Building Code (IBC), International Residential Code (IRC), International Mechanical Code (IMC), and International Fuel Gas Code (IFGC). These are nationally recognized codes published by the International Code Council and updated nationally every three years. The North Dakota Department of Commerce, Division of Community Services (DCS) is announcing its intentions to review and consider amendments to the newly published updates to the 2024 IBC, 2024 IRC, 2024 IMC, 2024 IFGC, 2024 IECC, and 2024 IEBC.

Attached is the Code Amendment Submittal Form (SFN 50180) and directions for completing the form. Proposed amendments to these codes to be considered for adoption at the May 22nd meeting should be submitted per the directions by 5:00 p.m. of April 28th, 2025 to DCS. The address is on the submittal form. Amendments submitted after that will be considered at the public hearing on July 15th.

The schedule for updating the North Dakota State Building Codes is as follows:

- **April 28th** all proposed amendments are due and must be received at DCS by 5:00 p.m. April 28th, 2025 to be assured consideration. **All proposed amendments received by this time will be considered.**
- **May 22nd**, the Building Code Advisory Committee will meet to review the proposed amendments and to develop additional amendments.
- **By June 12th**, DCS will make available all proposed amendments to the Building Code Advisory Committee, participating jurisdictions and interested parties by posting on the website.
- **July 15th**, public hearing of the Building Code Advisory Committee to receive comments and develop recommendations on the proposed amendments.
- **July 31st**, DCS will make available the recommendations by the Building Code Advisory Committee on the proposed amendments to the eligible voting towns, cities, counties, and committee members by posting on the website. Letters will also go out to the jurisdictions about the registration process for the voting meeting.
- **September 11th**, meeting of the eligible voting jurisdictions and voting individuals to vote on the proposed amendments.
- **November 18th**, the 2024 North Dakota State Building Code will be posted on the website.
- **January 1, 2026**, effective date of the updated North Dakota State Building Code.

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