

# Tennessee State Fire Marshal's Office Currently Adopted Codes and History

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The codes currently adopted by the Tennessee State Fire Marshal's Office are:

- (a) International Building Code (IBC), 2012 edition, published by the International Code Council (ICC), except for:
  - 1. Chapter 11 Accessibility; and,
  - 2. Chapter 34, Section 3411 Accessibility for Existing Buildings;
- (b) International Residential Code (IRC), 2018 edition, published by the ICC, with [amendments](#);
- (c) The International Fuel Gas Code (IFGC), 2012 edition, published by the ICC;
- (d) The International Mechanical Code (IMC), 2012 edition, published by the ICC;
- (e) The International Plumbing Code (IPC), 2012 edition, published by the ICC;
- (f) The International Property Maintenance Code (IPMC), 2012 edition, published by the ICC;
- (g) The International Fire Code (IFC), 2012 edition, published by the ICC;
- (h) For commercial buildings: the International Energy Conservation Code (IECC), 2012 edition, published by the ICC, except that the provisions of the IECC, 2006 edition, shall apply to the following occupancy classifications: Moderate-hazard factory industrial, Group F-1; Low-hazard factory industrial, Group F-2; Moderate-hazard storage, Group S-1; and, Low-hazard storage, Group S-2;
- (i) For one- and two-family dwellings and townhomes: the IECC, 2018 edition, published by the ICC, with [amendments](#);
- (j) The International Existing Building Code (IEBC), 2012 edition, published by the ICC;
- (k) For state buildings, educational occupancies and any other occupancy requiring an inspection by the State Fire Marshal for initial licensure, NFPA 101 Life Safety Code, 2012 edition, published by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA); and, (l) The National Electrical Code (NEC), 2017 edition, published by the NFPA, except that:
  - 1. Section 110.24, Available Fault Current shall be optional; and
  - 2. Arc Fault Circuit Interrupters (AFCIs) shall be optional for bathrooms, laundry areas, garages, unfinished basements, which are portions or areas of the basement not intended as habitable rooms and limited to storage, work or similar area, and for branch circuits dedicated to supplying refrigeration equipment;
- (m) No provision of the preceding cited publications shall be adopted that conflicts with:
  - 1. The installation and service standards of portable fire extinguishers and fixed fire extinguisher systems in Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. 0780-02-14-.02; and,
  - 2. The standards for engaging in the liquefied petroleum gas business in Tenn. Comp. R. & Regs. 0780-02-17-.02.

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Effective Date	NEC	IBC	IFC	IECC	IMC	IPC	IFGC	IEBC	IPMC	IRC	SBC	NFPA LSC
7/16/2020	-	-	-	2018 Res. ( <a href="#">amended</a> )	-	-	-	-	-	2018 ( <a href="#">amended</a> )	-	-
3/19/2018	2017	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2/2/2017	-	-	-	2009 <sup>c</sup> Res.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8/4/2016	-	2012	2012	2012 <sup>b</sup> Com.	2012	2012	2012	2012	2012	-	-	2012 <sup>a</sup>
6/27/2010	-	-	-	2006	-	-	-	-	-	2009	-	-
12/16/2008	-	-	2006	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2006 <sup>a</sup>
9/1/2008	-	2006	-	-	2006	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6/2/2004	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2003

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8/26/2001	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1999	2000
12/28/1997	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1997	1997
5/27/1996	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1994	1994
8/23/1990	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1988	1988
11/10/1985	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1985	1985
8/26/1982	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1982	1982
9/16/1976	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1976	1976
8/17/1972	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1972 Amendment	1971- 1972
3/30/1970	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1969	1969- 1970

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12/13/1965	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1965	1965-1966
1/1/1963	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	?	1962-1963
1/29/1962	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1960-1961	?
10/25/1960	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	?	1960-1961
5/20/1960	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	?	1960
5/1/1951	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1945	?

- a) For state buildings, educational occupancies and any other occupancy requiring an inspection by the state fire marshal for initial licensure
- b) For commercial buildings. Except: 2006 Edition for F1, F2, S1 and S2.
- c) For one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses, 2009 IECC with amendments.
- d) 2018 IECC with amendments.



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