

VENTURA COUNTY BUILDING CODE DEFINED

101.1 Elements. *The Ventura County Building Code contained herein is comprised of the elements described in sections 101.1.1 through 101.1.4. Taken together, the California codes, appendices, model codes, and amendments described below constitute the Ventura County Building Code (Code).*

101.1.1 California codes. *The following parts of the 2022 California Building Standards Code known as Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations, including the model codes adopted therein by reference, are hereby made a part of the Ventura County Building Code:*

Part 2. The 2022 California Building Code (based on the 2021 International Building Code, published by the International Code Council)

Part 2.5. The 2022 California Residential Code (based on the 2021 International Residential Code, published by the International Code Council)

Part 3. The 2022 California Electrical Code (based on the 2020 National Electrical Code, published by the National Fire Protection Association)

Part 4. The 2022 California Mechanical Code (based on the 2021 Uniform Mechanical Code, published by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials)

Part 5. The 2022 California Plumbing Code (based on the 2021 Uniform Plumbing Code, published by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials)

Part 6. The 2022 California Energy Code

Part 8. The 2022 California Historical Building Code

Part 10. The 2022 California Existing Building Code

Part 11. The 2022 California Green Building Standards Code

Part 12. The 2022 California Referenced Standards Code

101.1.2 Appendices. *The following Appendices found in the 2022 California Building Standards Code are hereby adopted and made a part of the Ventura County Building Code:*

a) Appendices of the California Building Code:

Appendix C, Agricultural Buildings

Appendix F, Rodent Proofing

Appendix I, Patio Covers

Appendix J, Grading

Appendix P, Emergency Housing

b) Appendices of the California Residential Code:

Appendix AF, Radon Control

Appendix AH, Patio Covers

Appendix AQ, Tiny Houses

Appendix AS, Strawbale Construction

Appendix AW, 3D-Printed Building Construction

Appendix AX, Swimming Pool Safety Act

Appendix AZ, Emergency Housing

c) Appendices of the California Mechanical Code:

Appendix B, Procedures to Place Gas Equipment in Operation

Appendix C, Installation and Testing of Oil Fuel-Fired Equipment
Appendix D, Fuel Supply: Manufactured/Mobile Home Parks

d) Appendices of the California Plumbing Code:

Appendix A, Recommended Rules for Sizing Water Supply
Appendix B, Notes on Combination Waste and Vent Systems
Appendix D, Sizing Storm Water Drainage Systems
Appendix H, Private Sewage Disposal Systems
Appendix I, Installation Standards
Appendix J, Combination of Indoor and Outdoor Combustion and Ventilation
Opening Design

e) Appendices of the California Existing Building Code:

Appendix A1, Seismic Strengthening for URM Buildings
Appendix A2, Earthquake Hazard Reduction in Existing Concrete and Masonry
Buildings with Flexible Diaphragms
Appendix A3, Prescriptive Provisions for Seismic Strengthening of Cripple Walls
and Sill Plates of Light Wood-Framed Residential Buildings
Appendix A4, Earthquake Risk Reduction in Wood-Frame Residential Buildings
with Soft, Weak, or Open Front Walls
Appendix A5, Referenced Standards

f) Appendices of the California Green Building Standards Code:

Appendix A4, Residential Voluntary Measures
Appendix A5, Non-Residential Voluntary Measures

101.1.3 Model codes. *The following model codes are hereby adopted and made a part of the Ventura County Building Code:*

a) The 2021 International Property Maintenance Code (including Appendix A)

b) The 2021 International Swimming Pool and Spa Code (for private residential swimming pools and spas only)

101.1.4 Amendments. *The Ventura County amendments to the above referenced codes are herein adopted and made a part of the Ventura County Building Code. Ventura County amendments to the California Building Standards Code and the other adopted model codes are found in Articles 2 through 15 of this Code.*

These amendments include stand-alone provisions for special structures, such as Mobile Homes and Commercial Coaches (Article 13) and Limited-Density Owner-Built Rural Dwellings (Article 15). The amendments also include administrative provisions for Post-Disaster Recovery and Reconstruction (Article 14).

For clarity of use of this Code, each of the amended sections are prefaced with a statement indicating whether the section represents an amendment, an addition, or a deletion to the language in the referenced adopted code. Where no such indication is made for a section or subsection, it is intended that the section(s) or subsection(s) that follow are adopted and followed.

In order to distinguish the amendments in the Ventura County Building Code from the language in the model codes and the California codes, the Ventura County amendments have been shown in italicized font.

101.2 Section numbering system for code amendments. *To facilitate cross-referencing amendments with the adopted State codes, the amended sections have been numbered using the same section numbers used in the State codes. Thus "Article 3, Chapter 7A Section 704A" in this Code amends and supersedes Chapter 7A, Section 704A as published in the California Building Code.*

Generally, each numbered section or subsection of the adopted codes is deemed to be separate and distinct from the other sections and subsections for the purposes of amendment. An amendment to one subsection changes only that portion and does not, by omission of the other subsections, amend or delete any part of them.

Where the amendment involves adding a new section or subsection that does not exist, the new section will follow the sequential numbering system in the State code to correspond with the other sections.