

## California Building Standards Code

The following California Codes, Parts 2 through 8 and Parts 10 through 12 (Part 9 is the California Fire Code, enforced by the Ventura County Fire Department) make up the California Building Standards Code. Together with the VCBC, these California Codes are used for construction in the unincorporated areas of Ventura County.

The **2022 California Building Code** (Part 2). This code is used for design and construction of non-residential and multi-family residential buildings and structures. Contains provisions for structural and other fire and life-safety measures based on use and type of construction of the building. This code does not contain provisions for the installation of plumbing, mechanical, or electrical systems. The 2022 California Building Code is based on the 2021 International Building Code, published by the International Code Council.

The **2022 California Residential Code** Part (2.5). This Building Code is used for design and construction of residential (one and two-family) buildings and structures. Contains provisions for structural and other fire and life-safety measures in residential buildings. The 2022 California Residential Code is based on the 2021 International Residential Code, published by the International Code Council.

The **2022 California Electrical Code** (Part 3). This code is used for design and installation of electrical systems and equipment. Contains provisions for electrical safety in private construction projects. The 2022 California Electrical Code is based on the 2020 National Electrical Code, published by the National Fire Protection Association.

The **2022 California Mechanical Code** (Part 4). This code is used for design and installation of all mechanical systems and equipment for private construction projects. Contains provisions for safe installations of mechanical systems. The 2022 California Mechanical Code is based on the 2021 International Mechanical Code, published by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials.

The **2022 California Plumbing Code** (Part 5). This code is used for design and installation of all plumbing systems and fixtures for private construction projects. Contains provisions for safe installations of plumbing systems. The 2022 California Plumbing Code is based on the 2021 Uniform Plumbing Code, published by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials.

The **2022 California Energy Code** (Part 6). This code is used for design of all buildings to ensure they are energy efficient. The 2022 California Energy Code is developed by the California Energy Commission.

The **2022 California Historical Building Code** (Part 8). This code is used for design and construction of improvements in existing buildings that are designated as Historical Buildings or Buildings of Historical Interest. Contains provisions to allow for certain improvements to be made to these buildings while preserving the historical significance of the building. The 2022 California Historical Code is developed by the California Building Standards Commission.

The **2022 California Fire Building Code** (Part 9). This code is used for design and construction of buildings to ensure they are safe from fire hazards. This code is enforced by the Ventura County Fire Department. The 2022 California Fire Code is based on the 2021 International Fire Code, published by the International Code Council.

The **2022 California Existing Building Code** (Part 10). This code is used for design and construction of improvements in existing buildings. Contains provisions for structural and fire and life safety measures in existing construction. The 2022 California Existing Building Code is based on the 2021 International Existing Building Code, published by the International Code Council.

The **2022 California Green Building Standards Code** (Part 11). This code is used for design of all buildings to ensure that materials and methods are sustainable and efficient with the use of resources. Contains provisions for water conservation, reduction of greenhouse gas production, and conservation of resources. The 2022 California Green Building Standards Code is developed by the California Building Standards Commission.

The **2022 California Referenced Standards Code** (Part 12). This code contains the references to engineering, testing, and fabrication standards used for design and installation of materials and equipment in building construction. The 2022 California **Referenced Standards** Code is compiled by the California Building Standards Commission.