



Pikes Peak Regional Building Code 2023 Edition

- ▶ Pikes Peak Regional Building Department (PPRBD) formed by an IGA between the City and El Paso County in 1966.
- Regional enforcement of the Building Codes.
- Current Code 2017 Pikes Peak Regional Building Code (2017 PPRBC).
- ▶ 2017 PPRBC adopted by Colorado Springs on February 27, 2018.
- PPRBC applies to building, mechanical, plumbing, electrical, energy conservation, conveyance, (Elevator) floodplain, and enumeration.
- ▶ The Code also regulates contractor licensing and registrations



Model Codes

- International Code Council (ICC) revises codes every 3 years.
 - Example International Residential Code (IRC)
 - Example International Building Code (IBC)
- PPRBD adopts a new Regional Code every 6 years
 - ► Current PPRBC adopts and amends 2015 I codes.
 - ▶ New 2023 PPRBC adopts and amends 2021 I codes.
 - Newer codes take advantage of new construction techniques and enhanced energy conservation.
 - Reduced ISO rating could reduce insurance premiums.







Model Codes

- Model codes adopted and amended by the 2023 PPRBC.
 - ▶ 2021 International Building Code (IBC).
 - ▶ 2021 International Residential Code (IRC).
 - ▶ 2021 International Mechanical Code (IMC).
 - ▶ 2021 International Fuel Gas Code (IFGC).
 - ▶ 2021 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC).
 - ▶ 2021 International Existing Building Code (IEBC).
 - ▶ 2021 International Pool and Spa Code (ISPSC).







State Codes

- ▶ Electrical, Plumbing and Conveyance (Elevator) Codes are adopted by the State of Colorado.
 - As a jurisdiction with authority, these codes are enforced locally.
 - ▶ When the State adopts a new code, it must be enforced locally within 12 months.
 - ▶ Local jurisdiction may amend State Code, only to make it more restrictive.
 - ▶ 2023 PPRBC does not amend State Codes.
 - ▶ No change to currently adopted State Codes at this time.



Energy Conservation Code

- ▶ New State requirements from HB22-1362.
 - ▶ Most significant changes of all Model Codes.
 - ▶ Increased initial cost of construction.
 - Increased energy efficiency, reduced operating costs.
- ▶ 2023 PPRBC amends 2021 IECC.
 - Allows for additional options, stepping stone.
 - ▶ Must be adopted prior to July 1, 2023.
- Unamended 2021 IECC, MER & SR State Code.
 - Required when adopting or updating a building code after July 1, 2023.
 - Triggers
- ▶ July 1, 2026 State required Low Carbon Code.
 - Equivalent or better efficiency than 2021 IECC & MER & SR Code or 2024 IECC.







PPRBC Development Process

- Extensive review of Model Codes by staff began in January 2021.
 - Promote affordable construction, increased flexibility, logical code requirements.
 - ▶ 60 day public comment period opened July 1, 2022.
 - ▶ Two Board of Review Work Sessions, 88 public comments.
 - ▶ Another 30 day public comment period opened Oct 1, 2022.
 - ▶ Board of Review Work Session, 29 public comments.
 - ▶ Board of Review approval December 19, 2022.



Public Outreach

- ▶ 80 documented instances of messaging about public comment and the code adoption process. (Email blasts, Social Media, presentations, press releases, media interviews, website alerts, networking events, and more)
- Presentations to 7 of our jurisdictions.
- ▶ 33 posts on social media starting back in June 2022.
- 9 Updates on the PPRBD website (Ticking Clocks, Pop Up Screens, Banners, News and Announcements)
 - Most of these updates stayed up permanently. The Updates are when the messaging changed
- 7 presentations to HBA. 2 requests for email blasts to its members.
- 9 presentations to trade groups El Paso Co Contractors, Roofing Association, ASHRAE, etc.



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