

# **2015 IECC**

What's new in the next edition?





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- Duct reduces insulation from R-8 to R-6 on duct less than 3 inches in diameter
- Demand recirculation systems
- Lighting equipment increased to 75%
- Establishes criteria for compliance using an ERI analysis (HERS)
- Performance path now requires a second report based on as-built conditions

#### Residential

- Appendix RA Recommended Procedure for Worst-Case Testing of Atmospheric Venting Systems Under R402.4 or R405 Conditions <5ACH<sub>50</sub>
- Appendix RB Solar-Ready Provisions Detached One- and Two-Family Dwellings, Multiple Single-Family Dwellings (Townhouses)

- Equipment building exemptions
- Vestibules added exception for air curtain
- Minimum Efficiency Requirement Tables
- Requirements for economizer fault detection and diagnostics
- Enclosed parking garage ventilation controls

- Walk-in coolers, walk-in freezers, refrigerated warehouse coolers and refrigerated warehouse freezers
- Economizers (Prescriptive) changes to requirements
- Demand controls for recirculation systems
- Requirements for hot water circulation and heat trace systems and controls

- Drain Water Heat Recovery option not included in the Performance path
- Occupant sensor controls new requirements
- Daylight-responsive controls
- Electrical motors minimum efficiency requirements

- Vertical and horizontal transportation systems and equipment
- Additional Efficiency Package Options
  - Lighting separated into power density and controls
  - Dedicated outdoor air system on some HVAC
  - High-efficiency service water heating

- Total Building Performance added Exceptional calculation method
  - Where the simulation program does not model a proposed design, material or device
- Service water-heating systems add to Commissioning

- Minimum performance criteria were improved for the following applications to match ASHRAE 90.1-2013 standards:
  - AC/Heat pump
  - Energy recovery equipment
  - Kitchen exhaust flow
  - Refrigeration
  - Economizers, controls, and VAV fans
  - Heat rejection equipment1/12 1 hp fans

- Multi-zone VAV systems
- Hot water system controls
- Exterior lighting controls
- Lighting power densities
- Electric transformers
- Electrical motors
- People movers
- Lighting O&M manual



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