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**The New 2024 I-codes: Roofing-Related Changes**



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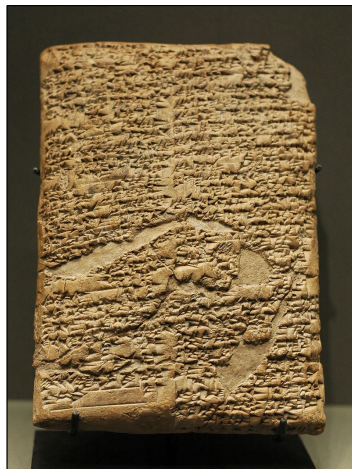
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*Codes provide the minimum legal basis for building construction and operation*

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## Code of Hammurabi

- Babylonian empire (1754 BC)
- 282 laws, scaled punishment
- Specific provisions to construction and contracts
- “...an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth...”



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## Code enforcement

- Code official
- Construction litigation



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## PERIODIC TABLE INTERNATIONAL CODES®, STANDARDS & GUIDELINES

INTERNATIONAL CODES										STANDARDS		GUIDELINES	
IBC International Building Code®	IFGC International Fuel Gas Code®	IPMC International Property Maintenance Code®	ICC A117.1 Accessible and Usable Buildings and Facilities (ICC A117.1) Adopted by: IBC, IFGC, IPMC, ICC, ASICC, ICC	ICC 605 International Performance Building Code® (In Development)	ASHRAE/ ICC Standard 240 Evaluating Existing Buildings, Systems and Safety Elements in Building Energy, Sustainability, and Resilience (In Development)	ICC 901/ SRCC 100 New International Standard (ICC 901) Adopted by: IBC, IFGC, IPMC, ICC, ASICC					ICC G1-2010 Guideline for Replicable Buildings		
IRC International Residential Code®	IECC International Energy Conservation Code®	IPSDC International Private Sewage Disposal Code®	ICC 300 Standard for Residential, Mobile and Recreational Vehicles and Trailers (ICC 300) Adopted by: ASICC, ICC, IFGC	ICC 610 Standard for Residential Construction in Regions with Seismic Hazard (Standard for Development)	CSA B805/ ICC 805 Reservoir Containment Systems (ICC 805) Adopted by: ICC, ASICC	ICC 902/ PHTA 902/ SRCC 400 Steel Deck and Decking, Single-Sided (ICC 902) Adopted by: ASICC	ICC 1150 Standard for 10- to 14-Story Residential Buildings (ICC 1150) (In Development)	ICC/MBI 1210 Standard for Residential, Commercial, and Industrial Plumbing Systems, Sewer, Stormwater, and Stormwater Collection in Off-Grid Communities (In Development)	RESNET/ ACCA/ ICCA 310 Standard for Installation of HVAC Systems (In Development)			ICC G2-2010 Guideline for Acoustics	
IFC International Fire Code®	ICCPC ICC Performance Code®	IZC International Zoning Code®	ICC 400 Standard for the Design and Construction of Green Buildings (ICC 400) Adopted by: ASICC, ICC	ICC 615 Standard for Residential Construction in Seismic Hazard (Standard for Development)	ICC 815 Solar Heat Gain Coefficient, Shading and Energy Efficient Windows (In Development)	ICC 903/ SRCC 500 Steel Deck and Decking, Two-Sided (ICC 903) (In Development)	ICC 1155 Standard for Low-Rise Residential Buildings (ICC 1155) (In Development)	ICC/THIA 1215 Standard for Residential, Commercial, and Industrial Plumbing Systems, Sewer, Stormwater, and Stormwater Collection in Off-Grid Communities (In Development)	RESNET/ ICCA 380 Standard for Rating, Installation, and Operation of Heating and Cooling, Air Conditioning, Ventilation, and Refrigeration Equipment in Residential Buildings (Adopted by: ASICC, ICC)			ICC G3-2011 Global Guideline for Practical Public Toilet Design	
IPC International Plumbing Code®	IWUIC International Wetland Urban Interface Code®	IgCC International Green Construction Code®	ICC/ NSSA 500 Standard for the Design and Construction of Green Buildings (ICC/NSSA 500) Adopted by: ASICC, ICC, ASICC	ICC 700 National Green Building Standard (ICC 700) Adopted by: ASICC	ICC 825 Private Sewage Disposal Systems Standard (ICC 825) (In Development)	ICC 1100 Standard for Non-Residential, Precast/Prestressed, Post-Tensioned Concrete (ICC 1100) Adopted by: ASICC	ICC/MBI 1200 Standard for 10- to 14-Story Residential Buildings, Multifamily and Specialty Buildings (ICC 1200) (In Development)	ICC 1300 Standard for the Installation, Inspection, and Evaluation of Roofing, Siding, and Drywall Overlaid (ICC 1300) (In Development)	RESNET/ ICC 850 Standard for Calculation and Labeling of the Energy Performance of One and Two Family Buildings using the Water Rating Index (In Development)			ICC G4-2012 Guideline for Commissioning	
IMC International Mechanical Code®	IEBC International Existing Building Code®	ISPC International Swimming Pool and Spa Code®	ICC 600 Standard for Accessible and Usable Buildings and Facilities (ICC 600) Adopted by: ASICC, ICC, ASICC	ASABE/ ICC 802 Language Impaired Communication Standard (ASABE/ICC 802) Adopted by: ASICC	ICC 900/ SRCC 300 New International Standard (ICC 900) Adopted by: ASICC, ICC, ASICC	ICC 1125 Standard for Structural Steel Decking in Existing and New Construction (ICC 1125) (In Development)	ICC/MBI 1205 Standard for 10- to 14-Story Residential Buildings, Multifamily and Specialty Buildings (ICC 1205) (In Development)	RESNET/ ICC 301 Standard for Installation, Inspection, and Evaluation of Photovoltaic Energy Production in Buildings (ICC 301) Adopted by: ASICC, ICC	RESNET/ ICC 1450 Standard for Installation, Inspection, and Evaluation of Photovoltaic Energy Production in Buildings (ICC 1450) (In Development)			ICC G5-2019 Guideline for the Safe Use of ISO Containers	
												ICC G6-202X Guideline on Advanced Panelization (In Development)	
												ICC G7-202X Existing Building Safety – Guideline for Inspection (In Development)	

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## 2021 I-codes: Roofing-related changes

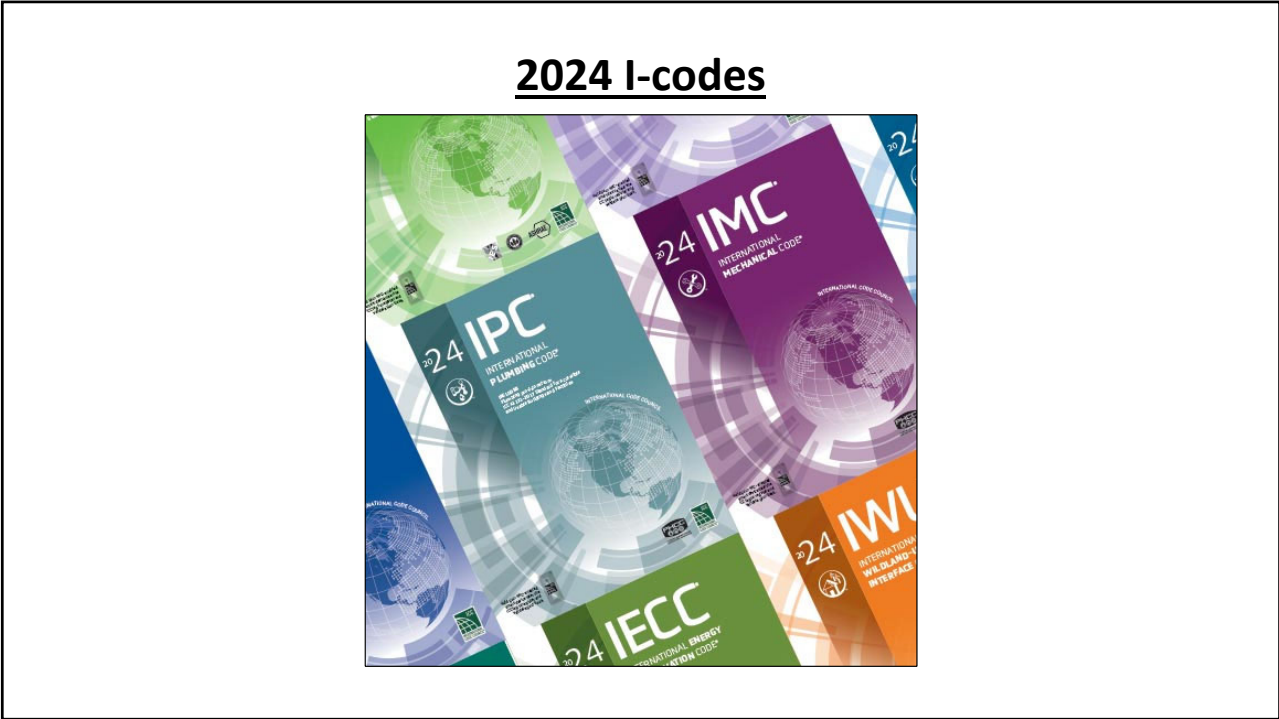


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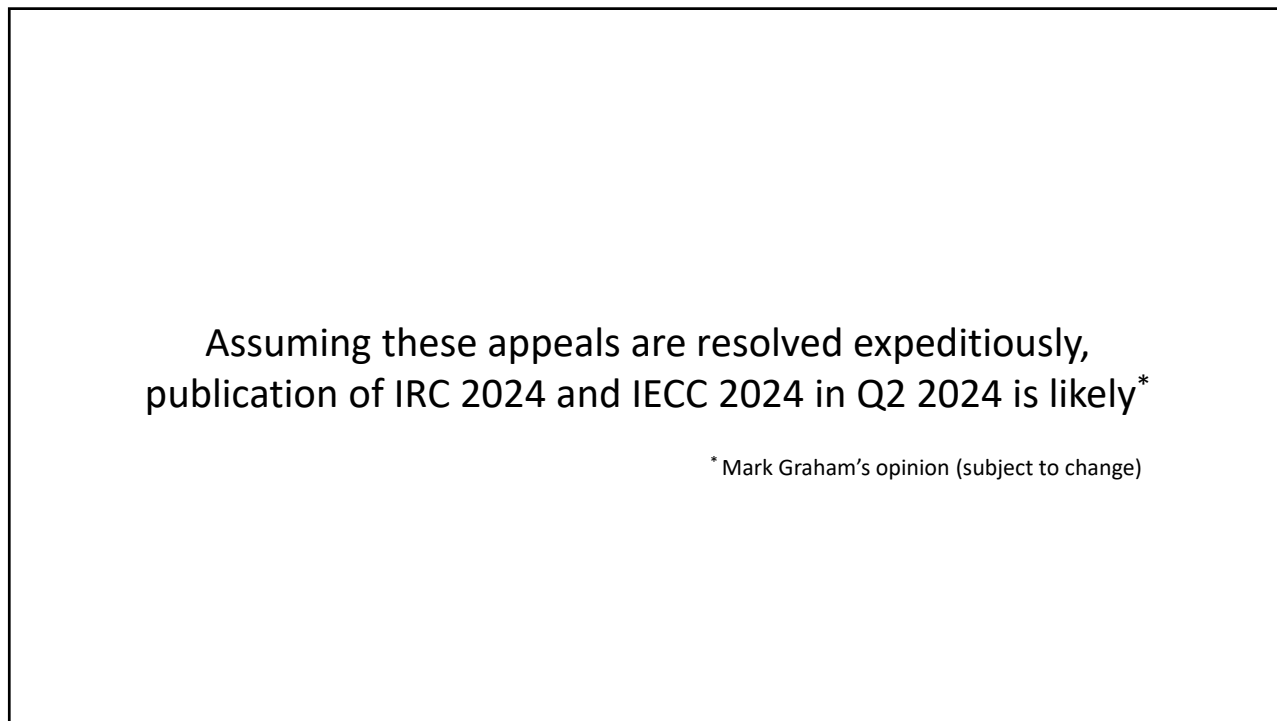
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The 2024 I-codes have already been published and are available, except for the *International Residential Code, 2024 Edition* and *International Energy Conservation Code, 2024 Edition*

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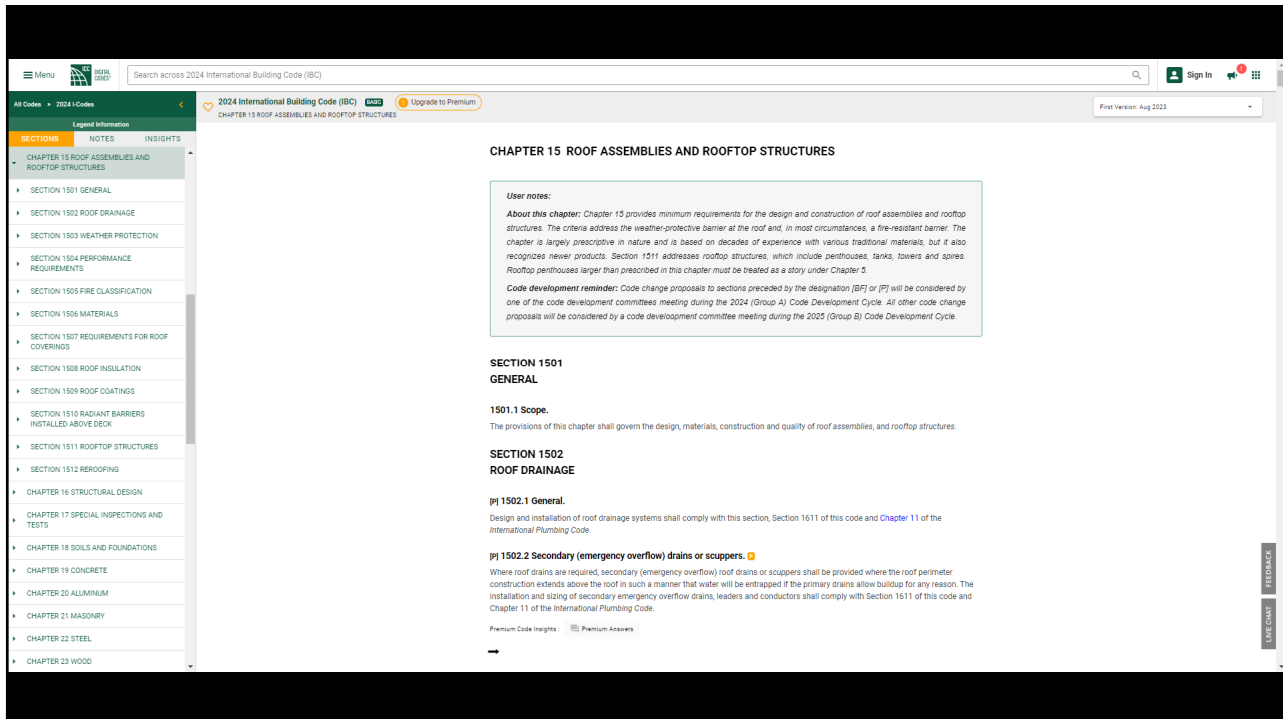
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## Purchasing the I-codes

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QTY	FORMAT	PRICE	MEMBER PRICE	MEMBER SAVINGS
0	Soft Cover Item #: 3000SC24	\$192.00	\$144.00	\$48.00
0	Loose Leaf Item #: 3000L24	\$218.00	\$164.00	\$54.00
0	PDF/Redline Download Item #: 0700PR24	\$163.00	\$122.00	\$41.00
0	Soft Cover & PDF/Redline Download Item #: 3000SPR24	\$248.00	\$186.00	\$62.00
0	Loose Leaf & PDF/Redline Download Item #: 3000LPR24	\$267.00	\$200.00	\$67.00

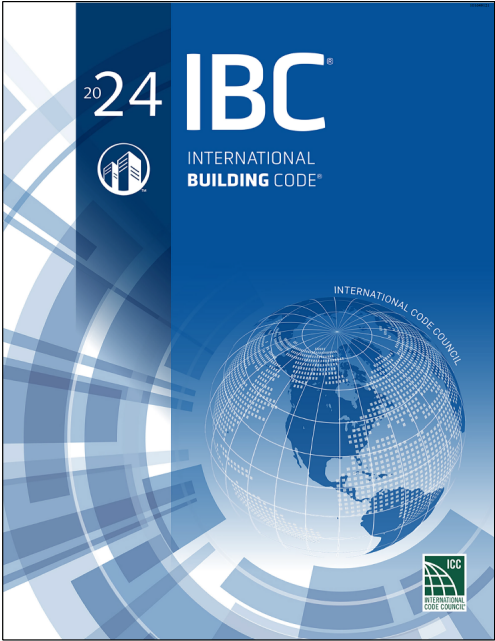
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### New to the 2024 I-codes

- Single column text format
- Updated font styles
- QR codes identifying changes
- Streamlined lists
- Consistent grouping of related text (e.g., tables follow parent sections)
- Shaded table headers and notes

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**IBC 2024**

- Ch. 15: Roof Assemblies and Rooftop Structures
- Ch. 27: Electrical
- Ch. 13: Interior Environment
- Ch. 16: Structural Design

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<p><b>CHAPTER 15</b></p> <p><b>ROOF ASSEMBLIES AND ROOFTOP STRUCTURES</b></p> <p><small>About this chapter: Chapter 15 provides minimum requirements for the design and construction of roof assemblies and rooftop structures. The</small></p>	
<p><b>Code development reminder:</b> Code change proposals to sections preceded by the designation [BF] or [P] will be considered by one of the code development committees meeting during the 2024 (Group A) Code Development Cycle. All other code change proposals will be considered by a code development committee meeting during the 2025 (Group B) Code Development Cycle.</p>	
<p><b>SECTION 1501—GENERAL</b></p> <p><b>1501.1 Scope.</b> The provisions of this chapter shall govern the design, materials, construction and quality of roof assemblies, and rooftop structures.</p> <p><b>SECTION 1502—ROOF DRAINAGE</b></p> <p><b>[P] 1502.1 General.</b> Design and installation of roof drainage systems shall comply with this section, Section 1611 of this code and Chapter 11 of the International Plumbing Code.</p> <p><b>[P] 1502.2 Secondary (emergency overflow) drains or scuppers.</b> Where roof drains are required, secondary (emergency overflow) roof drains or scuppers shall be provided where the roof perimeter construction extends above the roof in such a manner that water will be entrapped if the primary drains allow buildup for any reason. The installation and sizing of secondary emergency overflow drains, leaders and conductors shall comply with Section 1611 of this code and Chapter 11 of the International Plumbing Code.</p> <p><b>1502.3 Gutters.</b> Gutters and leaders placed on the outside of buildings, other than Group R-3, private garages and buildings of Type V construction, shall be of noncombustible material or not less than Schedule 40 plastic pipe.</p> <p><b>SECTION 1503—WEATHER PROTECTION</b></p> <p><b>1503.1 General.</b> Roof decks shall be covered with approved roof coverings secured to the building or structure in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. Roof coverings shall be designed in accordance with this code, and installed in accordance with this code and the manufacturer's approved instructions.</p> <p><b>1503.2 Flashing.</b> Flashing shall be installed in such a manner so as to prevent water from entering the wall and roof through joints in copings, through moisture-permeable materials and at intersections with parapet walls and other penetrations through the roof plane.</p> <p><b>1503.2.1 Locations.</b> Flashing shall be installed at wall and roof intersections, at gutters, wherever there is a change in roof slope or direction and around roof openings. Where flashing is of metal, the metal shall be corrosion resistant with a thickness of not less than 0.019 inch (0.483 mm) (No. 26 galvanized sheet).</p> <p><b>1503.3 Parapet walls.</b> Parapet walls shall be coped or covered in accordance with Sections 1503.3.1 and 1503.3.2. The top surface of the parapet wall shall provide positive drainage.</p> <p><b>1503.3.1 Fire-resistance-rated parapet walls.</b> Parapet walls required by Section 705.12 shall be coped or covered with weatherproof materials of a width not less than the thickness of the parapet wall such that the fire-resistance rating of the wall is not decreased.</p> <p><b>1503.3.2 Other parapet walls.</b> Parapet walls meeting one of the exceptions in Section 705.12 shall be coped or covered with weatherproof materials of a width not less than the thickness of the parapet wall.</p>	<p>Deleted 1502.3-Scuppers</p>
<p><b>1503.4 Attic and rafter ventilation.</b> Intake and exhaust vents for ventilation of attic and enclosed rafter assemblies shall be provided in accordance with Section 1202.2 and the vent product manufacturer's installation instructions.</p> <p><b>Exception:</b> Unvented attic and unvented enclosed rafter assemblies in accordance with Section 1202.3.</p>	
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**SECTION 1504—PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS**

**1504.1 Wind resistance of roofs. Roof decks and roof coverings shall be designed in accordance with Section 1504.**

*Note:* Specify minimum shingle packaging grain bear a label to indicate compliance with ASTM D7158 and the required classification in Table 1504.2.

**Exception:** Asphalt shingles not included in the scope of ASTM D7158 shall be tested and labeled in accordance with ASTM D3161. Asphalt shingle packaging shall bear a label to indicate compliance with ASTM D3161 and the required classification in Table 1504.2.

MAXIMUM BASIC WIND SPEED, V, FROM FIGURES 1609.3(1) (4) OR ACEC 7 (mph)	MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE STRESS DESIGN WIND SPEED, V <sub>ASD</sub> , FROM TABLE 1609.3.1 (mph)	ASTM D7158 CLASSIFICATION	ASTM D3161 or UL 7183 CLASSIFICATION
110	85	D, G or H	A, D or F
116	90	D, G or H	A, D or F
129	100	G or H	A, D or F
142	110	G or H	F
155	120	G or H	F
166	130	H	F
181	140	H	F
194	150	H	F

**1504.3 Wind resistance of clay and concrete tile. Wind loads on clay and concrete tile roof coverings shall be in accordance with Section 1609.6.**

**1504.3.1 Testing.** Testing of concrete and clay roof tiles shall be in accordance with Sections 1504.3.1.1, 1504.3.1.2 and 1504.3.1.3.

**1504.3.1.1 Overturning resistance.** Concrete and clay roof tiles shall be tested to determine their resistance to overturning due to wind in accordance with Chapter 15 and either SBCCI SSTD 11 or ASTM CL568.

**1504.3.1.2 Wind tunnel testing.** Where concrete and clay roof tiles do not satisfy the limitations in Chapter 16 for rigid tile, a wind tunnel test shall be used to determine the wind characteristics of the concrete or clay tile roof covering in accordance with Chapter 15 and either SBCCI SSTD 11 or ASTM CL569.

**1504.3.1.3 Air permeability testing.** The lift coefficient for concrete and clay tile shall be 0.2 or shall be determined in accordance with SBCCI SSTD 11 or ASTM CL570.

**1504.4 Wind resistance of nonballasted roofs. Roof coverings installed on roofs in accordance with Section 1507 that are mechanically attached or adhered to the roof deck shall be designed to resist the design wind load pressures for components and cladding in accordance with Section 1609.6.2. The wind load on the roof covering shall be permitted to be determined using allowable stress design.**

**1504.4.1 Other roof systems.** Built-up, modified bitumen, fully adhered or mechanically attached single-ply roof systems, metal panel roof systems applied to a solid or closely fitted deck and other types of membrane roof coverings shall be tested in accordance with FM 4474, UL 580 or UL 1897.

**1504.4.2 Structural metal panel roof systems.** Where the metal roof panel functions as the roof deck and roof covering and it provides both weather protection and support for loads, the structural metal panel roof system shall comply with this section. Structural standing-seam metal panel roof systems shall be tested in accordance with ASTM E1592 or FM 4474. Structural through-fastened metal panel roof systems shall be tested in accordance with ASTM E1592, FM 4474 or UL 580.

**Exceptions:**

1. Metal roofs constructed of cold-formed steel shall be permitted to be designed and tested in accordance with the applicable referenced structural design standard in Section 2204.1.
2. Metal roofs constructed of aluminum shall be permitted to be designed and tested in accordance with the applicable referenced structural design standard in Section 2002.1.

**1504.4.3 Metal roof shingles. Metal roof shingles applied to a solid or closely fitted deck shall be tested in accordance with ASTM**

**1504.4.4 Slate shingles. Slate shingles shall be tested in accordance with ASTM D3161. Slate packaging shall bear a label indicating compliance with ASTM D3161 and the required classification in Table 1504.2.**

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**1504.5 Ballasted low-slope single-ply roof systems.** Ballasted low-slope single-ply roof system coverings installed in accordance with Section 1507.12 shall be designed in accordance with ANSI/SPRI RP-4.

**1504.6 Edge systems for low-slope roofs.** Metal edge systems, except gutters and counterflashing, installed on built-up, modified bitumen and single-ply roof systems on a low-slope roof shall be designed and installed for wind loads in accordance with Chapter 16 and tested for resistance in accordance with Test Methods FC-1, FC-2 and FC-3 of ANSI/SPRI ES-1, except basic wind speed, V, shall be determined from Figures 1609.3(1) through 1609.3(4), as applicable.

**1504.6.1 Gutter securement for low-slope roofs.** Gutters that are used to secure the perimeter edge of the roof membrane on low-slope built-up, modified bitumen, and single-ply roofs, shall be designed, constructed and installed to resist wind loads in accordance with Section 1609 and shall be tested in accordance with Test Methods G-1 and G-2 of SPRI GT-1.

**1504.7 Impact resistance.** Roof coverings installed on low-slope roofs in accordance with Section 1507 shall resist impact damage based on the results of tests conducted in accordance with ASTM D3746, ASTM D4872 or the "Resistance to Foot Traffic Test" in FM 4470.

**1504.8 Wind resistance of aggregate-surfaced roofs.** Parapets shall be provided for aggregate surfaced roofs and shall comply with Table 1504.8. Such parapets shall be provided on the perimeter of the roof at all exterior sides except where an adjacent wall extends above the roof to a height at least equivalent to that required for the parapet. For roofs with differing surface elevations due to slope or sections at different elevations, the minimum parapet height shall be determined based on each roof surface elevation, and at no point shall the parapet height be less than that required by Table 1504.8.

**Exception:** Ballasted single-ply roof coverings shall be designed and installed in accordance with Section 1504.5.

AGGREGATE SIZE	MEAN ROOF HEIGHT (ft)	WIND EXPOSURE AND BASIC WIND SPEED, V (MPH)																		
		Exposure B					Exposure C													
		≤95	100	105	110	115	120	130	140	150	≤95	100	105	110	115	120	130	140	150	
ASTM D1863 (No. 1 or No. 67)	15	2	2	2	2	2	12	12	16	20	24	2	13	15	18	20	23	27	32	37
	20	2	2	2	2	2	12	14	18	22	26	12	15	17	19	22	24	29	34	39
	30	2	2	2	2	2	13	15	17	21	25	14	17	19	22	24	27	32	37	42
	50	12	12	14	16	18	21	25	30	35	37	19	22	25	28	30	36	41	47	
	100	14	16	19	21	24	27	32	37	42	21	24	26	29	32	35	41	47	53	
ASTM D1863 (No. 4)	15	2	2	2	2	2	12	12	15	18	2	2	2	13	15	17	22	26	30	
	20	2	2	2	2	2	12	12	13	17	21	2	2	12	15	17	19	23	28	32
	30	2	2	2	2	2	12	12	16	20	24	2	12	14	17	19	21	26	31	35
	50	12	12	12	12	14	16	20	24	28	12	15	17	19	22	24	28	34	39	
	100	12	12	14	16	19	21	25	30	35	16	18	21	24	26	29	34	39	45	
150	12	14	17	19	22	24	29	34	39	18	21	23	26	29	32	37	43	48		

**SECTION 1505—FIRE CLASSIFICATION**

**[RF] 1505.1 General.** Fire classification of roof assemblies shall be in accordance with Section 1505. The minimum fire classification of roof assemblies installed on buildings shall comply with Table 1505.1 based on type of construction of the building. Class A, B and C roof assemblies and roof coverings required to be listed by this section shall be tested in accordance with ASTM E108 or UL 790. In addition, fire-retardant-treated wood roof coverings shall be tested in accordance with ASTM D2596.

**Exception:** Skylights and sloped glazing that comply with Chapter 24 or Section 2610.

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**1504.7 Impact resistance.** Roof coverings installed on *low-slope* roofs in accordance with Section 1507 shall resist impact damage based on the results of tests conducted in accordance with ASTM D3746, ASTM D4272 or the "Resistance to Foot Traffic Test" in FM 4470.

	15	2	2	2	2	12	12	16	20	24	2	13	15	18	20	23	27	32	37
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**[BS] LOW-SLOPE. A roof slope less than 2 units vertical in 12 units horizontal (17-percent slope).**

	150	17	19	22	25	27	30	36	41	46	23	26	29	32	35	38	44	50	56
	15	2	2	2	2	12	12	16	20	24	2	13	15	17	19	23	26	30	33
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For SI: 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 foot = 304.8 mm, 1 mile per hour = 0.447 m/s.

a. Parapet height is measured vertically from the top surface of the coping down to the surface of the roof covering in the field of the roof adjacent to the parapet and outboard of any cant strip.

b. Interpolation shall be permitted for wind speed, mean roof height and parapet height. Extrapolation is not permitted.

c. Basic wind speed, *V*, and wind exposure shall be determined in accordance with Section 1609.

d. Where the minimum required parapet height is indicated to be 2 inches (51 mm), a gravel stop shall be permitted and shall extend not less than 2 inches (51 mm) from the roof surface and not less than the height of the aggregate.


e. The tabulated values apply only to conditions where the topographic factor ( $K_{zt}$ ) determined in accordance with Chapter 26 of ASCE 7 is 1.0 or where  $K_{zt}$  is incorporated in the basic wind speed in Section 1609.

f. For Exposure D, add 8 inches (203 mm) to the parapet height required for Exposure C and the parapet height shall not be less than 12 inches (305 mm).

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a. Parapet height is measured vertically from the top surface of the coping down to the surface of the roof covering in the field of the roof adjacent to the parapet and outboard of any cant strip.


b. Interpolation shall be permitted for wind speed, mean roof height and parapet height. Extrapolation is not permitted.

c. Basic wind speed, *V*, and wind exposure shall be determined in accordance with Section 1609.

d. Where the minimum required parapet height is indicated to be 2 inches (51 mm), a gravel stop shall be permitted and shall extend not less than 2 inches (51 mm) from the roof surface and not less than the height of the aggregate.

e. The tabulated values apply only to conditions where the topographic factor ( $K_{zt}$ ) determined in accordance with Chapter 26 of ASCE 7 is 1.0 or where  $K_{zt}$  is incorporated in the basic wind speed in Section 1609.

f. For Exposure D, add 8 inches (203 mm) to the parapet height required for Exposure C and the parapet height shall not be less than 12 inches (305 mm).



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**1507.1 Scope.** *Roof coverings* shall be applied in accordance with the applicable provisions of this section and the manufacturer's installation instructions.

**1507.1.1 Underlayment.** *Underlayment* in accordance with this section is required for asphalt shingles, clay and concrete tile, *metal roof shingles*, mineral-surfaced roll roofing, slate and slate-type shingles, wood shingles, wood shakes, metal roof panels and **BIPV roof coverings**. Such underlayment shall conform to the applicable standards listed in this chapter. *Underlayment* materials required to comply with ASTM D226, D1970, **D2626**, D4869, **D6380 Class M**, **D6757** or **D8257** shall bear a *label* indicating compliance with the standard designation and, if applicable, type classification indicated in Table 1507.1.1(1). *Underlayment* shall be fastened in accordance with Table 1507.1.1(2). *Underlayment* shall be attached in accordance with Table 1507.1.1(3).

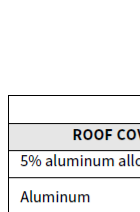
**Exception:** Structural metal panels that do not require a substrate or *underlayment*.

ROOF COVERING	SECTION	MAXIMUM BASIC WIND SPEED, $V < 130$ MPH IN HURRICANE-PRONE REGIONS OR $V < 140$ MPH OUTSIDE HURRICANE-PRONE REGIONS	MAXIMUM BASIC WIND SPEED, $V \geq 130$ MPH IN HURRICANE-PRONE REGIONS OR $V \geq 140$ MPH OUTSIDE HURRICANE-PRONE REGIONS
Asphalt shingles	1507.2	ASTM D226 Type I or II <b>ASTM D1970</b> ASTM D4869 Type I, II, III or IV ASTM D6757 <b>ASTM D8257</b>	ASTM D226 Type II <b>ASTM D1970</b> ASTM D4869 Type III or IV <b>ASTM D8257</b>
Wood shingles	1507.8	ASTM D226 Type I or II ASTM D4869 Type I, II, III or IV	ASTM D226 Type II ASTM D4869 Type III or IV
Wood shakes applied to a solid sheathing roof deck	1507.9	ASTM D226 Type I or II ASTM D4869 Type I, II, III or IV	ASTM D226 Type II ASTM D4869 Type III or IV

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TABLE 1507.3.7—CLAY AND CONCRETE TILE ATTACHMENT<sup>a,c</sup>—continued

ROOF COVERING TYPE	STANDARD APPLICATION RATE/THICKNESS
5% aluminum alloy-coated steel	ASTM A875, GF60
Aluminum	ASTM B209, 0.024 inch minimum thickness for roll-formed panels and 0.019 inch minimum thickness for press-formed shingles.
Aluminum-coated steel	ASTM A463, T2 G5
55% aluminum-zinc alloy coated steel	ASTM A792 AZ 50
Cold-rolled copper	ASTM B370 minimum 16 oz./sq. ft. and 12 oz./sq. ft. high yield copper for metal-sheet roof covering systems; 12 oz./sq. ft. for preformed metal shingle systems.
Copper	16 oz./sq. ft. for metal-sheet roof-covering systems; 12 oz./sq. ft. for preformed metal shingle systems.
Galvanized steel	ASTM A653 G-90 zinc-coated. <sup>a</sup>
Hard lead	2 lbs./sq. ft.
Lead-coated copper	ASTM B101
Prepainted steel	ASTM A755
Soft lead	3 lbs./sq. ft.
Stainless steel	ASTM A240, 300 Series Alloys
Steel	ASTM A924
Terne and terne-coated stainless	Terne coating of 40 lbs. per double base box, field painted where applicable in accordance with manufacturer's installation instructions.
Zinc	0.027 inch minimum thickness; 99.995% electrolytic high-grade zinc with alloy additives of copper (0.08% - 0.20%), titanium (0.07% - 0.12%) and aluminum (0.015%).

For SI: 1 ounce per square foot = 0.305 kg/m<sup>2</sup>, 1 pound per square foot = 4.882 kg/m<sup>2</sup>, 1 inch = 25.4 mm, 1 pound = 0.454 kg.  
a. For Group U buildings, the minimum coating thickness for ASTM A653 galvanized steel roofing shall be G60.

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**1507.8.1 Deck requirements.** Wood shingles shall be installed on solid or spaced sheathing. Where spaced sheathing is used, sheathing boards shall be not less than 1-inch by 4-inch (25 mm by 102 mm) nominal dimensions and shall be spaced on centers equal to the weather exposure to coincide with the placement of fasteners. Where 1-inch x 4-inch (25 mm x 102 mm) spaced sheathing is installed at 10 inches (254 mm) on center or greater, additional 1-inch x 4-inch (25 mm x 102 mm) boards shall be installed between the sheathing boards. When wood shingles are installed over spaced sheathing and the underside of the shingles are exposed to the attic space, the attic shall be ventilated in accordance with Section 1202.2. The shingles shall not be backed with materials that will occupy the required air gap space and prevent the free movement of air on the interior side of the spaced sheathing.

1507.8.5.

MATERIAL	APPLICABLE MINIMUM GRADES	GRADING RULES
Wood shingles of naturally durable wood	1, 2 or 3	CSSB
CSSB – Cedar Shake and Shingle Bureau		

**1507.8.6 Attachment.** Fasteners for wood shingles shall be corrosion resistant with a minimum penetration of 1/4 inch (19.1 mm) into the sheathing. For sheathing less than 1/2 inch (12.7 mm) in thickness, the fasteners shall extend through the sheathing. Each shingle shall be attached with not fewer than two fasteners.

**1507.8.7 Application.** Wood shingles shall be laid with a side lap not less than 1 1/2 inches (38 mm) between joints in adjacent courses, and not be in direct alignment in alternate courses. Spacing between shingles shall be 1/4 to 1/2 inch (6.4 to 9.5 mm). Weather exposure for wood shingles shall not exceed that set in Table 1507.8.7.

ROOFING MATERIAL	LENGTH (inches)	GRADE	EXPOSURE (inches)	
			3:12 pitch to < 4:12	4:12 pitch or steeper
Shingles of naturally durable wood	16	No. 1	3.75	5
		No. 2	3.5	4
		No. 3	3	3.5
	18	No. 1	4.25	5.5
		No. 2	4	4.5
		No. 3	3.5	4
24	No. 1	5.75	7.5	
	No. 2	5.5	6.5	
	No. 3	5	5.5	

For No. 3 inch = 25.4 mm.

**1507.8.8 Flashing.** At the juncture of the roof and vertical surfaces, flashing and counterflashing shall be provided in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions, and where of metal, shall be not less than 0.019-inch (0.48 mm) (No. 26 galvanized sheet papi) corrosion-resistant metal. The valley flashing shall extend not less than 11 inches (279 mm) from the eavesline each way and have a splash diverter rib not less than 1 inch (25 mm) high at the flow line formed as part of the flashing. Sections of flashing shall have an end lap of not less than 4 inches (102 mm). For roof slopes of three units vertical in 12 units horizontal (25-percent slope) and over, the valley flashing shall have a 36-inch-wide (914 mm) underlayment of either one layer of Type 1 underlayment running the full length of the valley or a self-adhering polymer-modified bitumen sheet bearing a label indicating compliance with ASTM D3270, in addition to other required underlayment. In areas where the average daily temperature in January is 25°F (-4°C) or less or where there is a possibility of ice forming along the eaves causing a backup of water, the metal valley flashing underlayment shall be solidly cemented to the roofing underlayment for slopes under seven units vertical in 12 units horizontal (58-percent slope) or self-adhering polymer-modified bitumen sheet shall be installed.

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**1507.8.9 Label required.** Each bundle of shingles shall be identified by a label of an approved grading or inspection bureau or agency.

**1507.9 Wood shakes.** The installation of wood shakes shall comply with the provisions of this section and Table 1507.8.

**1507.9.1 Deck requirements.** Wood shakes shall only be used on solid or spaced sheathing. Where spaced sheathing is used, sheathing boards shall be not less than 1-inch by 4-inch (25 mm by 102 mm) nominal dimensions and shall be spaced on centers equal to the weather exposure to coincide with the placement of fasteners. Where 1-inch by 4-inch (25 mm by 102 mm) spaced sheathing is installed at 10 inches (254 mm) on center, additional 1-inch by 4-inch (25 mm by 102 mm) boards shall be installed between the sheathing boards. Where wood shakes are installed over spaced sheathing and the underside of the shakes are exposed to the attic space, the attic shall be ventilated in accordance with Section 1202.2. The shakes shall not be backed with materials that will occupy the required air gap space and prevent the free movement of air on the interior side of the spaced sheathing.

**1507.9.1.1 Solid sheathing required.** Solid sheathing is required in areas where the average daily temperature in January is 25°F (-4°C) or less or where there is a possibility of ice forming along the eaves causing a backup of water.

Taper sawn shakes of naturally durable wood

	1 or 2	CSSB
Preservative-treated shakes and shingles of naturally durable wood	1	CSSB
Fire-retardant-treated shakes and shingles of naturally durable wood	1	CSSB
Preservative-treated taper sawn shakes of Southern pine treated in accordance with AWPA-L1 (Commercial Specification A, Special Requirement 4.6)	1 or 2	TFS
CSSB – Cedar Shake and Shingle Bureau TFS – Forest Products Laboratory of the Texas Forest Services.		

**1507.9.7 Attachment.** Fasteners for wood shakes shall be corrosion resistant with a minimum penetration of 1/4 inch (19.1 mm) into the sheathing. For sheathing less than 1/2 inch (12.7 mm) in thickness, the fasteners shall extend through the sheathing. Each shake shall be attached with not fewer than two fasteners.

**1507.9.8 Application.** Wood shakes shall be laid with a side lap not less than 1 1/2 inches (38 mm) between joints in adjacent courses. Spacing between shakes in the same course shall be 1/4 to 1/2 inch (9.5 to 12.7 mm) for shakes and taper sawn shakes of naturally durable wood and shall be 1/4 to 1/2 inch (6.4 to 9.5 mm) for preservative taper sawn shakes. Weather exposure for wood shakes shall not exceed those set in Table 1507.9.8.

ROOFING MATERIAL	LENGTH (inches)	GRADE	EXPOSURE (inches) #12 PITCH OR STEEPER
Shakes of naturally durable wood	18	No. 1	7.5
		No. 1	10*
	24	No. 1	7.5
		No. 1	10
Preservative-treated taper sawn shakes of Southern yellow pine	18	No. 2	5.5
		No. 2	7.5
	24	No. 1	7.5
		No. 1	10
Taper sawn shakes of naturally durable wood	18	No. 2	5.5
	24	No. 2	7.5

For No. 3 inch = 25.4 mm.  
#12. For 24 inch by 6.375-inch hand-split shakes, the maximum exposure is 7.5 inches.

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**1507.16.9 Flashing.** Flashing for BIPV shingles shall be installed in accordance with the roof covering manufacturer's installation instructions to prevent water from entering the wall and roof through joints in copings, through moisture-permeable materials and at intersections with parapet walls and other penetrations through the roof plane.

**1507.17.7 Flashing.** Flashing for BIPV roof panels shall be installed in accordance with the roof covering manufacturer's installation instructions to prevent water from entering the wall and roof through joints in copings, through moisture-permeable materials and at intersections with parapet walls and other penetrations through the roof plane.

**SECTION 1508—ROOF INSULATION**

**[BF] 1508.1 General.** The use of above-deck thermal insulation shall be permitted provided that such insulation is covered with an approved roof covering and passes the tests of NFPA 276 or UL 1256 when tested as an assembly.

**Exceptions:**

1. Foam plastic roof insulation shall conform to the material and installation requirements of Chapter 26.
2. Where a concrete or composite metal and concrete roof deck is used and the above-deck thermal insulation is covered with an approved roof covering.

**[BF] 1508.2 Material standards.** Above-deck thermal insulation board shall comply with the standards in Table 1508.2.

[BF] TABLE 1508.2—MATERIAL STANDARDS FOR ROOF INSULATION	
MATERIAL	STANDARD
Cellular glass board	ASTM C552 or ASTM C1902
Composite boards	ASTM C1289, Type III, IV, V or VII
Expanded polystyrene	ASTM C578

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**[BG] 1511.6 Mechanical equipment screens.** Mechanical equipment screens shall be constructed of the materials specified for the exterior walls in accordance with the type of construction of the building. Where the fire separation distance is greater than 5 feet (1524 mm), mechanical equipment screens shall not be required to comply with the fire-resistance rating requirements.

**[BG] 1511.6.1 Height limitations.** Mechanical equipment screens shall not exceed 18 feet (5486 mm) in height above the roof deck, as measured to the highest point on the mechanical equipment screen.

**Exception:** Where located on buildings of Type IA construction, the height of mechanical equipment screens shall not be limited.

**[BG] 1511.6.2 Type I, II, III or IV construction.** Regardless of the requirements in Section 1511.6, mechanical equipment screens that are located on the roof decks of buildings of Type I, II, III or IV construction shall be permitted to be constructed of combustible materials in accordance with any one of the following limitations:

1. The fire separation distance shall be not less than 20 feet (6096 mm) and the height of the mechanical equipment screen above the roof deck shall not exceed 4 feet (1219 mm) as measured to the highest point on the mechanical equipment screen.
2. The fire separation distance shall be not less than 20 feet (6096 mm) and the mechanical equipment screen shall be constructed of fire-retardant-treated wood complying with Section 2303.2 for exterior installation.
3. Where exterior wall covering panels are used, the panels shall have a flame spread index of 25 or less when tested in the minimum and maximum thicknesses intended for use, with each face tested independently in accordance with ASTM E84 or UL 723. The panels shall be tested in the minimum and maximum thicknesses intended for use in accordance with, and shall comply with the acceptance criteria of, NFPA 285 and shall be installed as tested. Where the panels are tested as part of an exterior wall assembly in accordance with NFPA 285, the panels shall be installed on the face of the mechanical equipment screen supporting structure in the same manner as they were installed on the tested exterior wall assembly.

**[BG] 1511.6.3 Type V construction.** The height of mechanical equipment screens located on the roof decks of buildings of Type V construction, as measured from grade plane to the highest point on the mechanical equipment screen, shall be permitted to exceed the maximum building height allowed for the building by other provisions of this code where complying with any one of the following limitations, provided that the fire separation distance is greater than 5 feet (1524 mm):

1. Where the fire separation distance is not less than 20 feet (6096 mm), the height above grade plane of the mechanical equipment screen shall not exceed 4 feet (1219 mm) more than the maximum building height allowed.
2. The mechanical equipment screen shall be constructed of noncombustible materials.
3. The mechanical equipment screen shall be constructed of fire-retardant-treated wood complying with Section 2303.2 for exterior installation.
4. Where the fire separation distance is not less than 20 feet (6096 mm), the mechanical equipment screen shall be constructed of materials having a flame spread index of 25 or less when tested in the minimum and maximum thicknesses intended for use with each face tested independently in accordance with ASTM E84 or UL 723.

**[BG] 1511.7 Other rooftop structures.** Rooftop structures not regulated by Sections 1511.2 through 1511.6 shall comply with Sections 1511.7.1 through 1511.7.6, as applicable.

**[BG] 1511.7.6 Lightning protection systems.** Lightning protection system components shall be installed in accordance with Sections 1511.7.6.1, 1511.7.6.2 and 2703.

**[BG] 1511.7.6.1 Installation on metal edge systems or gutters.** Lightning protection system components attached to ANSI/SPRI/FM 4435/ES-1 or ANSI/SPRI GT-1 tested metal edge systems or gutters shall be installed with compatible brackets, fasteners or adhesives, in accordance with the metal edge systems or gutter manufacturer's installation instructions. Where the metal edge system or gutter manufacturer is unknown, installation shall be as directed by a registered design professional.

**[BG] 1511.7.6.2 Installation on roof coverings.** Lightning protection system components directly attached to or through the roof covering shall be installed in accordance with this chapter and the roof covering manufacturer's installation instructions. Flashing shall be installed in accordance with the roof assembly manufacturer's installation instructions and Sections 1503.2 and 1507 where the lightning protection system installation results in a penetration through the roof covering. Where the roof covering manufacturer is unknown, installation shall be as directed by a registered design professional.

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<p><b>SECTION 2703—LIGHTNING PROTECTION SYSTEMS</b></p> <p><b>2703.1 General.</b> Where provided, lightning protection systems shall comply with Sections 2703.2 through 2703.3.</p> <p><b>2703.2 Installation.</b> Lightning protection systems shall be installed in accordance with NFPA 780 or UL 96A. UL 96A shall not be utilized for <i>buildings</i> used for the production, handling or storage of ammunition, <i>explosives</i>, <i>flammable liquids</i>, <i>flammable gases</i> or other <i>explosive</i> ingredients including dust.</p> <p><b>2703.2.1 Surge protection.</b> Where lightning protection systems are installed, surge protective devices shall also be installed in accordance with NFPA 70 and either NFPA 780 or UL 96A, as applicable.</p> <p><b>2703.3 Interconnection of systems.</b> All lightning protection systems on a <i>building</i> or <i>structure</i> shall be interconnected in accordance with NFPA 780 or UL 96A, as applicable.</p>
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<p><b>[BG] 1511.9 Raised-deck systems installed over a roof assembly.</b> <i>Raised-deck systems</i> installed above a <i>roof assembly</i> shall comply with Sections 1511.9.1 through 1511.9.5.</p> <p><b>[BG] 1511.9.1 Installation.</b> The installation of a <i>raised-deck system</i> shall comply with all of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The perimeter of the <i>raised-deck system</i> shall be surrounded on all sides by walls or by a noncombustible enclosure approved to prevent fire intrusion below the <i>raised-deck system</i>. The wall or enclosure shall extend at least from the <i>roof assembly</i> to the top surface of the <i>raised-deck system</i>. The enclosure shall not impede roof drainage in accordance with Section 1511.9.5.</li> <li>2. A <i>raised-deck system</i> shall be installed above a listed <i>roof assembly</i>.  <b>Exception:</b> Where the <i>roof assembly</i> is not required to have a fire classification in accordance with Section 1505.2.</li> <li>3. A <i>raised-deck system</i> shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions.</li> <li>4. A <i>raised-deck system</i> shall not impede the operation of plumbing or mechanical vents, exhaust, air inlets or roof drains. Where required, access for inspection, cleaning or maintenance shall be provided.</li> </ol> <p><b>[BG] 1511.9.2 Fire classification.</b> The <i>raised-deck system</i> shall be listed and identified with a fire classification in accordance with Section 1505 and shall be tested in accordance with either Section 1511.9.2.1 or 1511.9.2.2.</p> <p><b>[BG] 1511.9.2.1 Fire testing of the raised deck system installed over a classified roof assembly.</b> The <i>raised-deck system</i> shall be tested separately from the <i>roof assembly</i> over which it is installed. The fire classification of the <i>raised-deck system</i> shall be not less than the fire classification for the <i>roof assembly</i> over which it is installed.  <b>Exception:</b> Where the decking or pavers of the <i>raised-deck system</i> consists of brick, masonry, concrete or other noncombustible materials, fire testing of the <i>raised-deck system</i> is not required.</p> <p><b>[BG] 1511.9.2.2 Fire testing of the raised deck system together with the roof assembly.</b> The <i>roof assembly</i> and the <i>raised-deck system</i> shall be tested together.</p> <p><b>[BG] 1511.9.3 Pedestals or supports.</b> The pedestals or supports for the <i>raised-deck system</i> shall be installed in accordance with manufacturer's installation instructions.</p> <p><b>[BG] 1511.9.4 Structural requirements.</b> The <i>raised-deck system</i> shall be designed for all applicable loads in accordance with Chapter 16 and performance requirements in Section 1504.5.</p> <p><b>[BG] 1511.9.5 Roof drainage.</b> The <i>raised-deck system</i>, including the wall or enclosure between the <i>roof assembly</i> and the raised deck, shall be designed and installed to allow for the operation of the roof drainage system as required by Section 1502 and the <i>International Plumbing Code</i>. The roof structure shall be designed to support any standing water resulting from the installation of the <i>raised-deck system</i>.</p> <p><b>[BG] 1511.9.6 Accessibility and egress.</b> The <i>raised-deck system</i> shall be accessible in accordance with Chapter 11 and means of egress shall be provided in accordance with Chapter 10.</p>
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	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ROOF ASSEMBLIES AND ROOFTOP STRUCTURES</b></p> <p><b>[BC] 1511.8 Structural fire resistance.</b> The structural frame and roof construction supporting loads imposed upon the roof by any rooftop structure shall comply with the requirements of Table 601. The fire-resistance reduction permitted by Table 601, Note a, shall not apply to roofs containing rooftop structures.</p> <p><b>[BC] 1511.9 Raised-deck systems installed over a roof assembly.</b> Raised-deck systems installed above a roof assembly shall comply with Sections 1511.9.1 through 1511.9.5.</p> <p><b>[BC] 1511.9.1 Installation.</b> The installation of a raised-deck system shall comply with all of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The perimeter of the raised-deck system shall be surrounded on all sides by walls or by a noncombustible enclosure approved to prevent fire intrusion below the raised-deck system. The wall or enclosure shall extend at least from the roof assembly to the top surface of the raised-deck system. The enclosure shall not impede roof drainage in accordance with Section 1511.9.5.</li> <li>2. A raised-deck system shall be installed above a listed roof assembly.</li> </ol> <p><b>Exception:</b> Where the roof assembly is not required to have a fire classification in accordance with Section 1505.2.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. A raised-deck system shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions.</li> <li>4. A raised-deck system shall not impede the operation of plumbing or mechanical vents, exhaust, air inlets or roof drains. Where required, access for inspection, cleaning or maintenance shall be provided.</li> </ol> <p><b>[BC] 1511.9.2 Fire classification.</b> The raised-deck system shall be listed and identified with a fire classification in accordance with Section 1505 and shall be tested in accordance with either Section 1511.9.2.1 or 1511.9.2.2.</p> <p><b>[BC] 1511.9.2.1 Fire testing of the raised deck system installed over a classified roof assembly.</b> The raised-deck system shall be tested separately from the roof assembly over which it is installed. The fire classification of the raised-deck system shall be not less than the fire classification for the roof assembly over which it is installed.</p> <p><b>Exception:</b> Where the decking or pavers of the raised-deck system consists of brick, masonry, concrete or other noncombustible materials, fire testing of the raised-deck system is not required.</p> <p><b>[BC] 1511.9.2.2 Fire testing of the raised deck system together with the roof assembly.</b> The roof assembly and the raised-deck system shall be tested together.</p> <p><b>[BC] 1511.9.3 Pedestals or supports.</b> The pedestals or supports for the raised-deck system shall be installed in accordance with manufacturer's installation instructions.</p> <p><b>[BC] 1511.9.4 Structural requirements.</b> The raised-deck system shall be designed for all applicable loads in accordance with Chapter 16 and performance requirements in Section 1504.5.</p> <p><b>[BC] 1511.9.5 Roof drainage.</b> The raised-deck system, including the wall or enclosure between the roof assembly and the raised-deck, shall be designed and installed to allow for the operation of the roof drainage system as required by Section 1502 and the International Plumbing Code. The roof structure shall be designed to support any standing water resulting from the installation of the raised-deck system.</p> <p><b>[BC] 1511.9.6 Accessibility and egress.</b> The raised-deck system shall be accessible in accordance with Chapter 11 and means of egress shall be provided in accordance with Chapter 10.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SECTION 1512—REROOFING</b></p> <p><b>1512.1 General.</b> Materials and methods of application used for recovering or replacing an existing <i>roof covering</i> shall comply with the requirements of Chapter 15.</p> <p><b>Exceptions:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>Roof replacement or roof recover of existing low-slope roof coverings</i> shall not be required to meet the minimum design slope requirement of <math>\frac{1}{4}</math> unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (2-percent slope) in Section 1507 for roofs that provide <i>positive roof drainage</i> and meet the requirements of Sections 1608.3 and 1611.2.</li> <li>2. Recovering or replacing an existing <i>roof covering</i> shall not be required to meet the requirement for secondary (emergency overflow) drains or <i>scuppers</i> in Section 1502.2 for roofs that provide for <i>positive roof drainage</i> and meet the requirements of Sections 1608.3 and 1611.2. For the purposes of this exception, existing secondary drainage or <i>scupper</i> systems required in accordance with this code shall not be removed unless they are replaced by secondary drains or <i>scuppers</i> designed and installed in accordance with Section 1502.2.</li> </ol>		

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	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ROOF ASSEMBLIES AND ROOFTOP STRUCTURES</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Where the existing roof includes a self-adhered underlayment and the existing sheathing is not water-soaked or deteriorated to the point that it is not adequate as a base for additional roofing, the existing self-adhered underlayment shall be permitted to remain in place and covered with an underlayment complying with Tables 1507.1.1(1), 1507.1.1(2) and 1507.1.1(3).</li> <li>3. Where the existing roof includes one layer of self-adhered underlayment and the existing layer cannot be removed without damaging the roof deck, a second layer of self-adhered underlayment is permitted to be installed over the existing self-adhered underlayment provided that the following conditions are met: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3.1. It is permitted by the roof covering manufacturer and self-adhered underlayment manufacturer.</li> <li>3.2. The existing sheathing is not water-soaked or deteriorated to the point that it is not adequate as a base for additional roofing.</li> <li>3.3. The second layer of self-adhered underlayment is installed such that buildup of material at walls, valleys, roof edges, end laps and side laps does not exceed two layers.</li> </ol> </li> </ol> <p><b>1512.1.1 Roof recovering over wood shingles or shakes.</b> Where the application of a new roof covering over wood shingle or shake roofs creates a combustible concealed space, the entire existing surface shall be covered with gypsum panel products, mineral fiber, glass fiber or other approved materials securely fastened in place.</p> <p><b>1512.4 Reinstallation of materials.</b> Existing slate, clay or cement tile shall be permitted for reinstallation, except that damaged, cracked or broken slate or tile shall not be reinstalled. Existing vent flashing, metal edgings, drain outlets, collars and metal counter-flashings shall not be reinstalled where rusted, damaged or deteriorated. Existing bolsters that is damaged, cracked or broken shall not be reinstalled. Existing aggregate surfacing materials from built-up roofs shall not be reinstalled.</p> <p><b>1512.5 Flashings.</b> Flashings shall be reconstructed in accordance with approved manufacturer's installation instructions. Metal flashing to which bituminous materials are to be adhered shall be primed prior to installation.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">432 <span style="float: right;">2024 INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE®</span></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL</b></p>	
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<p><b>1512.3 Roof recover.</b> The installation of a new roof covering over an existing roof covering shall be permitted where any of the following conditions occur:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Where the new roof covering is installed in accordance with the roof covering manufacturer's approved instructions.</li> <li>Complete and separate roofing systems, such as standing-seam metal roof panel systems, that are designed to transmit the roof loads directly to the building's structural system and that do not rely on existing roofs and roof coverings for support, shall not require the removal of existing roof coverings.</li> <li>Metal panel, metal shingle and concrete and clay tile roof coverings shall be permitted to be installed over existing wood shake roofs when applied in accordance with Section 1512.3.1.</li> <li>The application of a new protective roof coating over an existing protective roof coating, metal roof panel, built-up roof, spray polyurethane foam roofing system, metal roof shingles, mineral-surfaced roll roofing, modified bitumen roofing or thermoset and thermoplastic single-ply roofing shall be permitted without tear off of existing roof coverings.</li> </ol> <p><b>Exception:</b> A roof recover shall not be permitted where any of the following conditions occur:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The existing roof or roof covering is water-soaked or has deteriorated to the point that the existing roof or roof covering is not adequate as a base for additional roofing.</li> <li>The existing roof covering is slate, clay, cement or asbestos-cement tile.</li> <li>The existing roof has two or more applications of any type of roof covering.</li> </ol>		
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	<p><b>CHAPTER 12 INTERIOR ENVIRONMENT</b></p> <p><b>User notes:</b></p> <p><b>About this chapter:</b> Chapter 12 provides minimum provisions for the interior of buildings—the occupied environment. Ventilation, lighting, and space heating are directly regulated in this chapter and in conjunction with the International Mechanical Code® and the International Energy Conservation Code®. Minimum room size, maximum room-to-room sound transmission and classroom acoustics are set for educational occupancies.</p> <p><b>Code development reminder:</b> Code change proposals to actions preceded by the designation (P) will be considered by a code development committee meeting during the 2024 Group A Code Development Cycle. All other code change proposals will be considered by a code development committee meeting during the 2025 Group B Code Development Cycle.</p> <p><b>SECTION 1201—GENERAL</b></p> <p><b>1201.1 Scope.</b> The provisions of this chapter shall govern ventilation, temperature control, lighting, yards and courts, sound transmission, enhanced classroom acoustics, interior space dimensions, access to unoccupied spaces, toilet and bathroom requirements and ultraviolet (UV) germicidal irradiation systems associated with the interior spaces of buildings.</p> <p><b>SECTION 1202—VENTILATION</b></p> <p><b>1202.1 General.</b> Buildings shall be provided with natural ventilation in accordance with Section 1202.5, or mechanical ventilation in accordance with the International Mechanical Code.</p> <p>Dwelling units complying with the air leakage requirements of the International Energy Conservation Code or ASHRAE 90.1 shall be ventilated by mechanical means in accordance with Section 403 of the International Mechanical Code. Ambulatory care facilities and Group I-2 occupancies shall be ventilated by mechanical means in accordance with Section 407 of the International Mechanical Code.</p> <p><b>1202.2 Roof ventilation.</b> Roof assemblies shall be ventilated in accordance with this section or shall comply with Section 1202.3.</p> <p><b>1202.2.1 Ventilated attics and rafter spaces.</b> Enclosed attics and enclosed rafter spaces formed where ceilings are applied directly to the underside of roof framing members shall have cross ventilation for each separate space by ventilation openings protected against the entrance of rain and snow. Blocking and bridging shall be arranged so as not to interfere with the movement of air. An airspace of not less than 1 inch (25 mm) shall be provided between the insulation and the roof sheathing. The net free ventilating area shall be not less than 1% of the area of the space ventilated. Ventilators shall be installed in accordance with manufacturer's installation instructions.</p> <p><b>Exception:</b> The net free cross-ventilation area shall be permitted to be reduced to 1/2% provided both of the following conditions are met:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In Climate Zones 6, 7 and 8, a Class I or II vapor retarder is installed on the warm-in-winter side of the ceiling.</li> <li>At least 40 percent and not more than 50 percent of the required venting area is provided by ventilators located in the upper portion of the attic or rafter space. Upper ventilators shall be located not more than 3 feet (914 mm) below the ridge or highest point of the space, measured vertically, with the balance of the ventilation provided by eave or cornice vents. Where the location of wall or roof framing members conflicts with the installation of upper ventilators, installation more than 3 feet (914 mm) below the ridge or highest point of the space shall be permitted.</li> </ol> <p><b>1202.2.2 Openings into attic.</b> Exterior openings into the attic space of any building intended for human occupancy shall be protected to prevent the entry of birds, squirrels, rodents, snakes and other similar creatures. Openings for ventilation having a least dimension of not less than 1/4 inch (1.6 mm) and not more than 1/2 inch (6.4 mm) shall be permitted. Openings for ventilation having a least dimension larger than 1/4 inch (6.4 mm) shall be provided with corrosion-resistant wire cloth screening, hardware cloth, perforated vinyl or similar material with openings having a least dimension of not less than 1/8 inch (1.6 mm) and not more than 1/4 inch (6.4 mm). Where combustion air is obtained from an attic area, it shall be in accordance with Chapter 7 of the International Mechanical Code.</p> <p><b>1202.3 Unvented attic and unvented enclosed rafter assemblies.</b> Unvented attics and unvented enclosed roof framing assemblies shall be permitted where all of the following conditions are met:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The unvented attic space is completely within the building thermal envelope.</li> <li>No interior Class I vapor retarders are installed on the ceiling side (attic floor) of the unvented attic assembly or on the ceiling side of the unvented enclosed roof framing assembly.</li> <li>Where wood shingles or shakes are used, not less than a 1/2-inch (6.4 mm) vented airspace separates the shingles or shakes and the roofing underlayment above the structural sheathing.</li> </ol>	
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4. In Climate Zones 5, 6, 7 and 8, any air-impermeable insulation shall be a Class II vapor retarder or shall have a Class II vapor retarder coating or covering in direct contact with the underside of the insulation.

5. Insulation shall comply with either item 5.1 or 5.2, and additionally item 5.3.

5.1. Item 5.1.1, 5.1.2, 5.1.3 or 5.1.4 shall be met, depending on the air permeability of the insulation directly under the structural roof sheathing.

5.1.1. Where only air-impermeable insulation is provided, it shall be applied in direct contact with the underside of the structural roof sheathing.

5.1.2. Where air-permeable insulation is provided inside the building thermal envelope, it shall be installed in accordance with Item 5.1.1. In addition to the air-permeable insulation installed directly below the structural sheathing, rigid board or sheet insulation shall be installed directly above the structural roof sheathing in accordance with the R-value percentages in Table 1202.3 for condensation control.

5.1.3. Where both air-impermeable and air-permeable insulation are provided, the air-impermeable insulation shall be applied in direct contact with the underside of the structural roof sheathing in accordance with Item 5.1.1 and shall be in accordance with the R-value percentages in Table 1202.3 for condensation control. The air-permeable insulation shall be installed directly under the air-impermeable insulation.

5.1.4. Alternatively, sufficient rigid board or sheet insulation shall be installed directly above the structural roof sheathing to maintain the monthly average temperature of the underside of the structural roof sheathing above 45°F (7°C). For calculation purposes, an interior air temperature of 68°F (20°C) is assumed and the exterior air temperature is assumed to be the monthly average outside air temperature of the three coldest months.

5.2. In Climate Zones 1, 2 and 3, air-permeable insulation installed in unvented attics shall meet the following requirements:

5.2.1. A vapor diffusion port shall be installed not more than 12 inches (305 mm) from the highest point of the roof, measured vertically from the highest point of the roof to the lower edge of the port.

5.2.2. The port area shall be greater than or equal to  $\frac{1}{150}$  of the ceiling area. Where there are multiple ports in the attic, the sum of the port areas shall be greater than or equal to the area requirement.

5.2.3. The vapor permeable membrane in the vapor diffusion port shall have a vapor permeance rating of greater than or equal to 20 perms when tested in accordance with Procedure A of ASTM E96.

5.3. The air shall be supplied from ductwork providing supply air to the occupiable space when the conditioning system is operating. Alternatively, the air shall be supplied by a supply fan when the conditioning system is operating. Where perforated insulation board is used as the air-impermeable insulation layer, it shall be sealed at the perimeter of each individual sheet interior surface to form a continuous layer.

**Exceptions:**

- Section 1202.3 does not apply to special use structures or enclosures such as swimming pool enclosures, data processing centers, hospitals or art galleries.
- Section 1202.3 does not apply to enclosures in Climate Zones 5 through 8 that are humidified beyond 35 percent during the three coldest months.

CLIMATE ZONE	MINIMUM R-VALUE OF AIR-IMPERMEABLE INSULATION*
2B and 3B tile roof only	0 (none required)
1, 2A, 2B, 3A, 3B, 3C	10%
4C	20%
4A, 4B	30%

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**CHAPTER 16 STRUCTURAL DESIGN**

**About this chapter:** Chapter 16 establishes minimum design requirements so that the structural components of buildings are proportioned to resist the loads that are likely to be encountered. In addition, this chapter assigns buildings and structures to risk categories that are indicative of their intended use. The loads specified herein along with the required load combinations have been established through research and service performance of buildings and structures. The application of these loads and adherence to the serviceability criteria enhance the protection of life and property.

**Code development reminder:** Code change proposals to this chapter will be considered by the IBC—Structural Code Development Committee during the 2025 (Group B) Code Development Cycle.

**SECTION 1601—GENERAL**

**1601.1 Scope.** The provisions of this chapter shall govern the structural design of buildings, structures and portions thereof.

**SECTION 1602—NOTATIONS**

**1602.1 Notations.** The following notations are used in this chapter:

**Significant changes:**

- ASCE 7-22
- Tornado loads
- Construction documents
- Rain loads

**SECTION 1603—CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS**

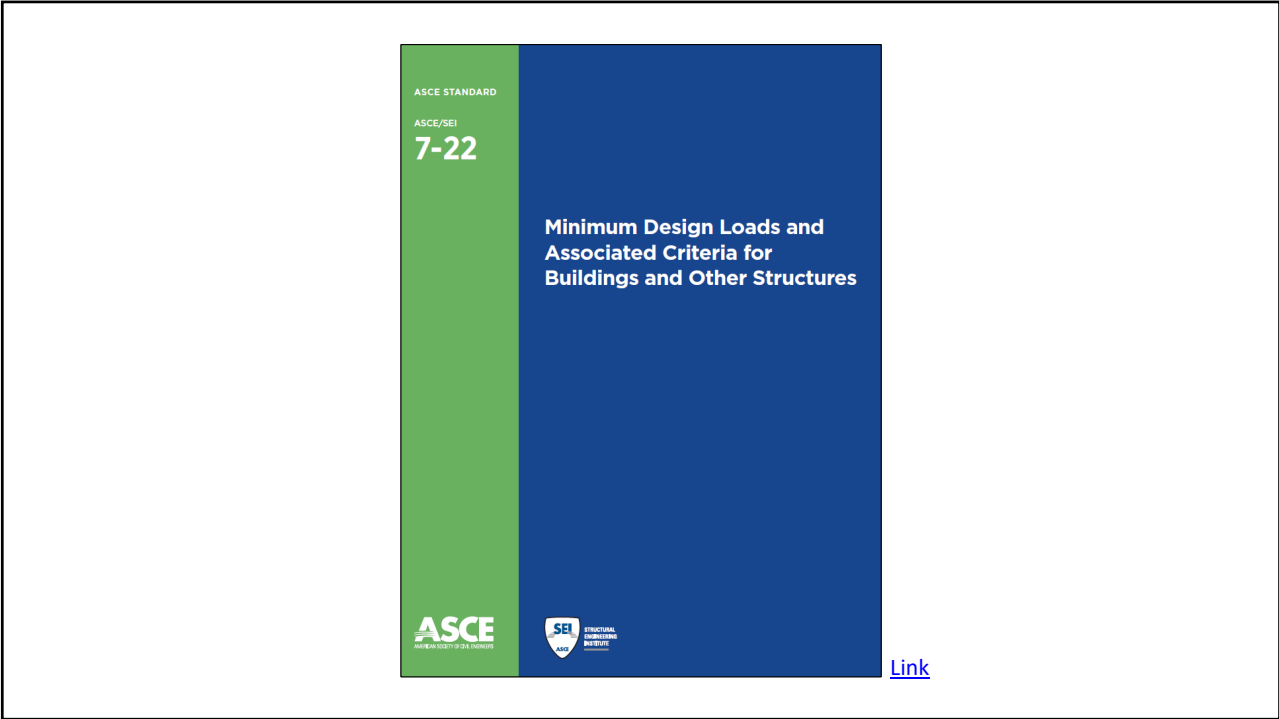
**1603.1 General.** Construction documents shall show the material, size, section and relative locations of structural members with floor levels, column centers and offsets dimensioned. The design loads and other information pertinent to the structural design required by Sections 1603.1.1 through 1603.1.9 shall be indicated on the construction documents.

**Exception:** Construction documents for buildings constructed in accordance with the conventional light-frame construction provisions of Section 2308 shall indicate the following structural design information:

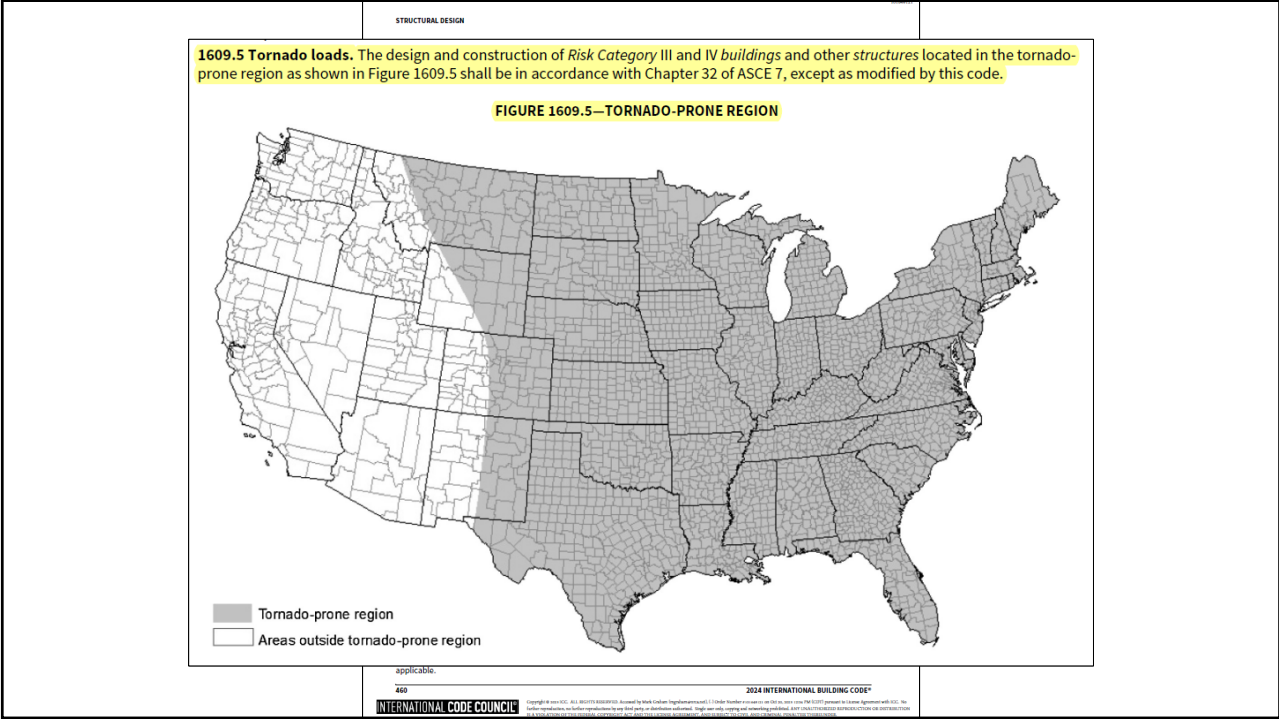
- Floor and roof dead and live loads.
- Ground snow load,  $p_g$ , and allowable stress design ground snow load,  $p_{gallow}$ .
- Basic wind speed,  $V$ , mph (m/s), and allowable stress design wind speed,  $V_{allow}$ , as determined in accordance with Section 1609.3.1 and wind exposure.
- Seismic design category and site class.
- Flood design data, if located in flood hazard areas established in Section 1612.3.

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	<p><b>CHAPTER 16</b> <b>STRUCTURAL DESIGN</b></p> <p><b>User notice:</b> Chapter 16 establishes minimum design requirements so that the structural components of buildings are proportioned to resist the loads that are likely to be encountered. In addition, this chapter assigns buildings and structures to risk categories that are indicative of their intended use. The loads specified herein along with the required load combinations have been established through research and service performance of buildings and structures. The application of these loads and adherence to the provisions herein enhance the protection of life and property.</p> <p><b>Code development reminder:</b> Code change proposals to this chapter will be considered by the IBC—Structural Code Development Committee during the 2025 Group B Code Development Cycle.</p> <p><b>SECTION 1601—GENERAL</b></p> <p><b>1601.1 Scope.</b> The provisions of this chapter shall govern the structural design of buildings, structures and portions thereof.</p> <p><b>SECTION 1602—NOTATIONS</b></p> <p><b>1602.1 Notations.</b> The following notations are used in this chapter:</p> <p><i>D</i> = Dead load.  <i>D<sub>l</sub></i> = Weight of ice in accordance with Chapter 10 of ASCE 7.  <i>E</i> = Combined effect of horizontal and vertical earthquake induced forces as defined in Section 12.4 of ASCE 7.  <i>F</i> = Load due to fluids with well-defined pressures and maximum heights.  <i>F<sub>s</sub></i> = Flood load in accordance with Chapter 5 of ASCE 7.  <i>H</i> = Load due to lateral earth pressures, ground water pressure or pressure of bulk materials.  <i>L</i> = Live load.  <i>L<sub>r</sub></i> = Roof live load.  <i>P<sub>dead</sub></i> = Allowable stress design ground snow load.  <i>P<sub>g</sub></i> = Ground snow load determined from Figures 1608.2(1) through 1608.2(4) and Table 1608.2.  <i>R</i> = Rain load.  <i>S</i> = Snow load.  <i>T</i> = Cumulative effects of self-straining load forces and effects.  <i>V<sub>asd</sub></i> = Allowable stress design wind speed, mph (m/s) where applicable.  <i>V</i> = Basic wind speed, <i>V<sub>b</sub></i> mph (m/s) determined from Figures 1609.3(1) through 1609.3(4) or ASCE 7.  <i>V<sub>t</sub></i> = Tornado speed, mph (m/s) determined from Chapter 32 of ASCE 7.  <i>W</i> = Load due to wind pressure.  <i>W<sub>i</sub></i> = Wind-on-ice in accordance with Chapter 10 of ASCE 7.</p> <p><b>SECTION 1603—CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS</b></p> <p><b>1603.1 General.</b> Construction documents shall show the material, size, section and other properties of structural members with floor levels, column centers and offsets dimensioned. The design loads and other information pertinent to the structural design required by Sections 1603.1.1 through 1603.1.9 shall be indicated on the construction documents.</p> <p><b>Exception:</b> Construction documents for buildings constructed in accordance with the conventional light-frame construction provisions of Section 2308 shall indicate the following structural design information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Floor and roof dead and live loads.</li> <li>2. Ground snow load, <i>P<sub>g</sub></i>, and allowable stress design ground snow load, <i>P<sub>dead</sub></i>.</li> <li>3. Basic wind speed, <i>V<sub>b</sub></i> mph (m/s), and allowable stress design wind speed, <i>V<sub>asd</sub></i>, as determined in accordance with Section 1609.3.1 and wind exposure.</li> <li>4. Seismic design category and site class.</li> <li>5. Flood design data, if located in flood hazard areas established in Section 1612.3.</li> </ol> <p>2024 INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE®  <b>INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL</b></p>	 
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	<p><b>STRUCTURAL DESIGN</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. Design load-bearing values of soils.</li> <li>7. Rain load data.</li> </ol> <p><b>1603.1.1 Floor live load.</b> The uniformly distributed, concentrated and impact floor live load used in the design shall be indicated for floor areas. Use of live load reduction in accordance with Section 1607.1.3 shall be indicated for each type of live load used in the design.</p> <p><b>1603.1.2 Roof live load.</b> The roof live load used in the design shall be indicated for roof areas.</p> <p><b>1603.1.3 Roof snow load data.</b> The ground snow load, <i>P<sub>g</sub></i>, shall be indicated. In areas where the ground snow load, <i>P<sub>g</sub></i>, exceeds 15 pounds per square foot (psf) (0.72 kN/m<sup>2</sup>), the following additional information shall also be provided, regardless of whether snow loads govern the design of the roof:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Risk-of snow load, <i>P<sub>s</sub></i>.</li> <li>2. Snow exposure factor, <i>C<sub>e</sub></i>.</li> <li>3. Risk category.</li> <li>4. Thermal factor, <i>C<sub>t</sub></i>.</li> <li>5. Slope factor(s), <i>C<sub>s</sub></i>.</li> <li>6. Drift surcharge load(s), <i>p<sub>d</sub></i>, where the sum of <i>p<sub>d</sub></i> and <i>p<sub>s</sub></i> exceeds 30 psf (1.44 kN/m<sup>2</sup>).</li> <li>7. Width of snow drift(s), <i>w</i>.</li> <li>8. Winter wind parameter for snow drift, <i>W<sub>w</sub></i>.</li> </ol> <p><b>1603.1.4 Wind and tornado design data.</b> The following information related to wind loads and, where required by Section 1609.5, tornado loads shall be shown, regardless of whether wind or tornado loads govern the design of the lateral force-resisting system of the structure:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Basic wind speed, <i>V<sub>b</sub></i> mph (m/s), tornado speed, <i>V<sub>t</sub></i> mph (m/s), and allowable stress design wind speed, <i>V<sub>asd</sub></i> mph (m/s), as determined in accordance with Section 1609.3.1.</li> <li>2. Risk category.</li> <li>3. Effective plan area, <i>A<sub>e</sub></i>, for tornado design in accordance with Chapter 32 of ASCE 7.</li> <li>4. Wind exposure. Applicable wind direction if more than one wind exposure is utilized.</li> <li>5. Applicable internal pressure coefficients, and applicable tornado internal pressure coefficients.</li> <li>6. Design wind pressures and their applicable zones with dimensions to be used for exterior component and cladding materials not specifically designed by the registered design professional responsible for the design of the structure, pounds per square foot (kN/m<sup>2</sup>). Where design for tornado loads is required, the design pressures shown shall be the maximum of wind or tornado pressures.</li> </ol> <p><b>1603.1.7 Flood design data.</b> For buildings located in whole or in part in flood hazard areas as established in Section 1612.3, the documentation pertaining to design, if required in Section 1612.4, shall be included and the following information, referenced to the datum on the community's Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM), shall be shown, regardless of whether flood loads govern the design of the building:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Flood design class assigned according to ASCE 24.</li> <li>2. In flood hazard areas other than coastal high hazard areas or coastal A zones, the elevation of the proposed lowest floor, including the basement.</li> <li>3. In flood hazard areas other than coastal high hazard areas or coastal A zones, the elevation to which any nonresidential building will be dry floodproofed.</li> <li>4. In coastal high hazard areas and coastal A zones, the proposed elevation of the bottom of the lowest horizontal structural member of the lowest floor, including the basement.</li> </ol> <p>2024 INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE®  <b>INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL</b></p>	
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**1603.1.8 Special loads.** Special loads that are applicable to the design of the building, structure or portions thereof, including but not limited to the loads of machinery or equipment, and that are greater than specified floor and roof loads shall be specified by their descriptions and locations.

**1603.1.8.1 Photovoltaic panel systems.** The dead load of rooftop-mounted photovoltaic panel systems, including rack support systems, shall be indicated on the construction documents.

**1603.1.9 Roof rain load data.** Design rainfall intensity, *i* (in/hr) (cm/hr), and roof drain, scupper and overflow locations shall be shown regardless of whether rain loads govern the design.

out exceeding the appropriate specified allowable stresses for the materials of construction.  
 Loads and forces for occupancies or uses not covered in this chapter shall be subject to the approval of the building official.

**1604.3 Serviceability.** Structural systems and members thereof shall be designed to have adequate stiffness to limit deflections as indicated in Table 1604.3.

**TABLE 1604.3—DEFLECTION LIMITS<sup>a,c,d,e</sup>**

CONSTRUCTION	For L	S or W <sup>f</sup>	D + L <sup>g,h</sup>
Roof members <sup>a</sup>			
Supporting plaster or stucco ceiling	l/360	l/360	l/240
Supporting nonplaster ceiling	l/240	l/240	l/180
Not supporting ceiling	l/180	l/180	l/120
Floor members	l/360	—	l/240
Exterior walls:			
With plaster or stucco finishes	—	l/360	—
With other brittle finishes	—	l/240	—
With flexible finishes	—	l/120	—
Interior partitions <sup>b</sup> :			
With plaster or stucco finishes	l/360	—	—
With other brittle finishes	l/240	—	—
With flexible finishes	l/120	—	—
Farm buildings	—	—	l/180
Greenhouses	—	—	l/120

For L = Span (ft or m).  
 a. For structural roofing and siding made of formed metal sheets, the total load deflection shall not exceed l/60. For secondary roof structural members supporting formed metal roofing, the total load deflection shall not exceed l/60. For secondary wall members supporting formed metal siding, the design wind load deflection shall not exceed l/60. For roofs, this exception only applies when the metal sheets have no foot covering.  
 b. Interior, exterior and partition partitions are not governed by the provisions of this section. The deflection criterion for interior partitions is based on the horizontal load defined in Section 1607.3b.  
 c. See Section 1604.3 for glass supports.  
 d. The deflection limit for the D + L or L + S load combination only applies to the deflection due to the creep component of long term dead load deflection plus the short term live load deflection. For members, structural girders, composite floor, precast concrete slabs and structural composite member members that are dry at time of installation and used under dry conditions in accordance with the AISC/AIAC/AIAC, the creep component of the long term deflection shall be permitted to be estimated as the immediate load load deflection resulting from S + D. For timber and glued laminated timber members installed or used at an other moisture condition or cross laminated timber and wood structural panels that are dry at time of installation and used under dry conditions in accordance with the AISC/AIAC/AIAC, the creep component of the long term deflection is permitted to be estimated as the immediate dead load deflection resulting from S. The value of S + D shall not be used in combination with AISC/AIAC/AIAC provisions for long term loading.  
 e. The preceding deflections do not ensure against ponding. Roofs that do not have sufficient slope or camber to ensure adequate drainage shall be investigated for ponding. See Section 1604.3.7.  
 f. The wind load shall be permitted to be taken as 0.42 times the "component and cladding" loads or directly calculated using the 10-year mean return interval basic wind speed, S, for the purpose of determining deflection limits in Table 1604.3, where trussing members support Gables, the deflection limit therein shall not exceed that specified in Section 1604.3.7.

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**SECTION 1611—RAIN LOADS**

**1611.1 Design rain loads.** Each portion of a roof shall be designed to sustain the load of rainwater as per the requirements of Chapter 8 of ASCE 7. Rain loads shall be based on the summation of the static head, *d<sub>s</sub>*, hydraulic head, *d<sub>h</sub>*, and ponding head, *d<sub>p</sub>*, using Equation 16-20. The hydraulic head shall be based on hydraulic test data or hydraulic calculations assuming a flow rate corresponding to a rainfall intensity equal to or greater than the 15-minute duration storm with return period given in Table 1611.1. Rainfall intensity shall be determined in inches per hour for 15-minute duration storms for the risk categories given in Table 1611.1. The ponding head shall be based on structural analysis as the depth of water due to deflections of the roof subjected to unfactored rain load and unfactored dead load.

	Active pressure	At-rest pressure
Well graded, clean gravel, gravel-sand mixes	GW	60
Poorly graded clean gravels, gravel-sand mixes	GP	60

**Equation 16-20**  $R = 5.2(d_s + d_h + d_p)$   
 For SI:  $R = 0.0098(d_s + d_h + d_p)$   
 where:  
*d<sub>h</sub>* = Hydraulic head equal to the depth of water on the undeflected roof above the inlet of the secondary drainage system for structural loading (SDSL) required to achieve the design flow, in inches (mm).  
*d<sub>p</sub>* = Ponding head equal to the depth of water due to deflections of the roof subjected to unfactored rain load and unfactored dead load, in inches (mm).  
*d<sub>s</sub>* = Static head equal to the depth of water on the undeflected roof up to the inlet of the secondary drainage system for structural loading (SDSL), in inches (mm).  
*R* = Rain load, in pounds per square foot (kN/m<sup>2</sup>).  
 SDSL is the roof drainage system through which water is drained from the roof when the drainage systems listed in ASCE 7 Section 8.2 (a) through (d) are blocked or not working.

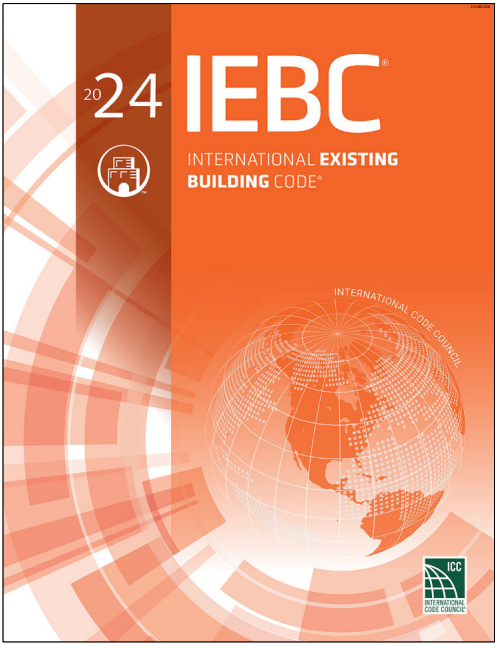
**TABLE 1611.1—DESIGN STORM RETURN PERIOD BY RISK CATEGORY**

RISK CATEGORY	DESIGN STORM RETURN PERIOD
I & II	100 years
III	200 years
IV	500 years

**1611.2 Ponding instability.** Ponding instability on roofs shall be evaluated in accordance with ASCE 7.

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**CHAPTER 7 ALTERATIONS—LEVEL 1**

**Chapter 7** provides the technical requirements for those existing buildings that undergo Level 1 alterations as described in Section 602, which includes replacement or covering of existing materials, elements, equipment or fixtures using new materials for the same purpose. This chapter, similar to other chapters of this code, covers all building-related subjects, such as structural, mechanical, plumbing, electrical and accessibility as well as the fire and life safety issues when the alterations are classified as Level 1. The purpose of this chapter is to provide detailed requirements and provisions to identify the required improvements in the existing building elements, building spaces and building structural system. This chapter is distinguished from Chapters 8 and 9 by involving only replacement of building components with new components. In contrast, Level 2 alterations involve more space reconfiguration, and Level 3 alterations involve more extensive space reconfiguration, exceeding 50 percent of the building area.

**SECTION 701—GENERAL**

**701.1 Scope.** Level 1 alterations as described in Section 602 shall comply with the requirements of this chapter. Level 1 alterations to historic buildings shall comply with this chapter, except as modified in Chapter 12.

**701.2 Conformance.** An existing building or portion thereof shall not be altered such that the building becomes less safe than its existing condition.

**Exception:** Where the current level of safety or sanitation is proposed to be reduced, the portion altered shall conform to the requirements of the International Building Code.

**(B) 701.3 Flood hazard areas.** In flood hazard areas, alterations that constitute substantial improvement shall require that the building comply with Section 1612 of the International Building Code, or Section R306 of the International Residential Code, as applicable.

**SECTION 703—BUILDING ELEMENTS AND MATERIALS**

**703.1 Interior finishes.** Newly installed interior wall and ceiling finishes shall comply with Chapter 8 of the International Building Code.

**703.2 Interior floor finish.** New interior floor finish, including new carpeting used as an interior floor finish material, shall comply with Section 804 of the International Building Code.

**703.3 Interior trim.** Newly installed interior trim materials shall comply with Section 806 of the International Building Code.

**703.4 Window fall prevention.** In Group R-2 or R-3 buildings containing dwelling units and one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses regulated by the International Residential Code, window opening control devices or other window fall prevention devices complying with ASTM F2090 shall be installed where an existing window is replaced and where all of the following apply to the replacement window:

1. The window is operable.
2. One of the following applies:
  - 2.1. The window replacement includes replacement of the sash and frame.
  - 2.2. The window replacement includes the sash only where the existing frame remains.
3. One of the following applies:
  - 3.1. In Group R-2 or R-3 buildings containing dwelling units, the bottom of the clear opening of the window opening is at a height less than 36 inches (915 mm) above the finished floor.
  - 3.2. In one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses regulated by the International Residential Code, the bottom of the clear opening of the window opening is at a height less than 24 inches (610 mm) above the finished floor.
4. The window will permit openings that will allow passage of a 4-inch-diameter (102 mm) sphere when the window is in its largest opened position.
5. The vertical distance from the bottom of the clear opening of the window opening to the finished grade or other surface below, on the exterior of the building, is greater than 72 inches (1829 mm).

**Exception:** Operable windows where the bottom of the clear opening of the window opening is located more than 75 feet (22 860 mm) above the finished grade or other surface below, on the exterior of the room, space or building, and that are provided with window fall prevention devices that comply with ASTM F2090.

**703.5 Replacement window for emergency escape and rescue openings.** Where windows are required to provide emergency escape and rescue openings in Group R-2 and R-3 occupancies and one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses regulated by the International Residential Code, replacement windows shall be exempt from the requirements of Section 1013.3 of the International Building Code.

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*Building Code and Section R310.2 of the International Residential Code, provided that the replacement window meets the following conditions:*

- The replacement window is the manufacturer's largest standard size window that will fit within the existing frame or existing rough opening. The replacement window shall be permitted to be of the same operating style as the existing window or a style that provides for an equal or greater window opening area than the existing window.
- Where the replacement window is part of a change of occupancy it shall comply with Section 1011.5.6.

**702.5.1 Control devices.** Window opening control devices or fall prevention devices complying with ASTM F2090 shall be permitted for use on windows required to provide emergency escape and rescue openings. After operation to release the control device allowing the window to fully open, the control device shall not reduce the net clear opening area of the window unit. Emergency escape and rescue openings shall be operational from the inside of the room without the use of keys or tools.

**702.6 Bars, grilles, covers or screens.** Bars, grilles, covers, screens or similar devices are permitted to be placed over emergency escape and rescue openings, bulkhead enclosure or window wells that serve such openings, provided all of the following conditions are met:

- The minimum net clear opening size complies with the code that was in effect at the time of construction.
- Such devices shall be releasable or removable from the inside without the use of a key, tool or force greater than that which is required for normal operation of the escape and rescue opening.
- Where such devices are installed, they shall not reduce the net clear opening of the emergency escape and rescue openings.
- Smoke alarms shall be installed in accordance with Section 907.2.11 of the International Building Code.

**702.7 Materials and methods.** New work shall comply with the materials and methods requirements in the International Building Code, International Energy Conservation Code, International Mechanical Code and International Plumbing Code, as applicable, that specify material standards, detail of installation and connection, joints, penetrations and continuity of any element, component or system in the building.

**[F6] 702.7.1 International Fuel Gas Code.** The following sections of the International Fuel Gas Code shall constitute the fuel gas

**IEBC 2024's Sec. 705-Reroofing matches  
IBC 2024's Sec. 1512-Reroofing**

703.1 General. Alterations shall be done in a manner that maintains the level of fire protection provided.


**SECTION 705—REROOFING**

**[BS] 705.1 General.** Materials and methods of application used for recovering or replacing an existing roof covering shall comply with the requirements of Chapter 15 of the *International Building Code*.

**Exceptions:**

- Roof replacement or roof recover of existing low-slope roof coverings shall not be required to meet the minimum design slope requirement of  $\frac{1}{4}$  unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (2-percent slope) in Section 1507 of the *International Building Code* for roofs that provide positive roof drainage and meet the requirements of Sections 1608.3 and 1611.2 of the *International Building Code*.
- Recovering or replacing an existing roof covering shall not be required to meet the requirement for secondary (emergency overflow) drains or scuppers in Section 1502 of the *International Building Code*.

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**SECTION 706—STRUCTURAL**

**[BS] 706.1 General.** Where alteration work includes replacement of equipment that is supported by the building or where a reroofing permit is required, the provisions of this section shall apply.

**[BS] 706.2 Addition or replacement of roofing or replacement of equipment.** Any existing gravity load-carrying structural element for which an alteration causes an increase in design dead, live or snow load, including snow drift effects, of more than 5 percent shall be replaced or altered as needed to carry the gravity loads required by the *International Building Code* for new structures.

**Exceptions:**

- Buildings of Group R occupancy with not more than five dwelling or sleeping units used solely for residential purposes where the altered building complies with the conventional light-frame construction methods of the *International Building Code* or the provisions of the *International Residential Code*.
- Buildings in which the increased dead load is due entirely to the addition of a second layer of roof covering weighing 3 pounds per square foot (0.1437 kN/m<sup>2</sup>) or less over an existing single layer of roof covering.


**[BS] 706.3 Additional requirements for reroof permits.** The requirements of this section shall apply to alteration work requiring reroof permits.

**[BS] 706.3.1 Bracing for unreinforced masonry bearing wall parapets.** Where a permit is issued for reroofing for more than 25 percent of the roof area of a building assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F that has parapets constructed of unreinforced masonry, the work shall comply with Section 304.3.2 by evaluation of the existing condition or by installation of parapet bracing.

**[BS] 706.3.2 Roof diaphragms resisting wind loads in high-wind regions.** Where roofing materials are removed from more than 50 percent of the roof diaphragm or section of a building located where the basic wind speed,  $V$ , is greater than 130 mph (58 m/s), in accordance with Figure 1609.3(2) of the *International Building Code*, roof diaphragms, connections of the roof diaphragm to roof framing members, and roof-to-wall connections shall be evaluated for the wind loads specified in the *International Building Code*, including wind uplift. If the diaphragms and connections in their current condition are not capable of resisting 75 percent of those wind loads, they shall be replaced or strengthened in accordance with the loads specified in the *International Building Code*.

**Exception:** Buildings that have been demonstrated to comply with the wind load provisions in ASCE 7—88 or later editions.

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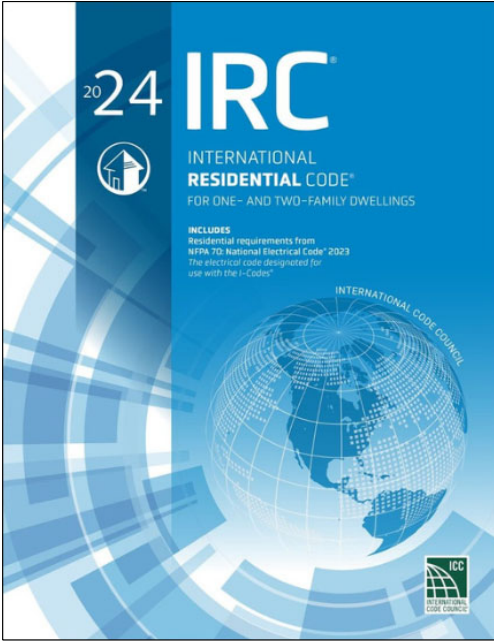
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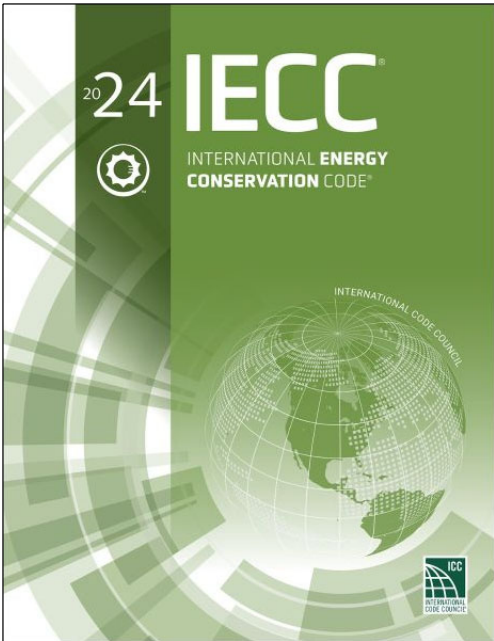




**IRC 2024**

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- Ch. 9: Roofing
  - Requirements closely match those of IBC Ch. 15
  - IRC tends to be more prescriptive than IBC

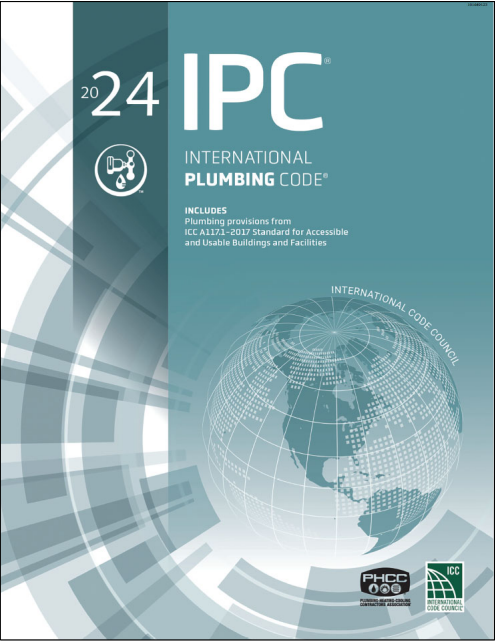
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**IECC 2024**

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  - Residential: Some lower R-values and more complex air barrier requirements

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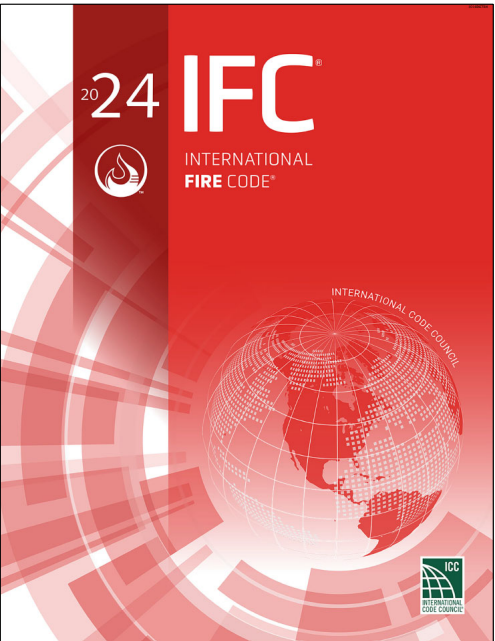


**IPC 2024**

- Ch. 11: Storm Drainage
  - Roof drains, scuppers and gutters
  - Maps based on a 100-yr. hourly rainfall rate
- No substantive roofing-related changes

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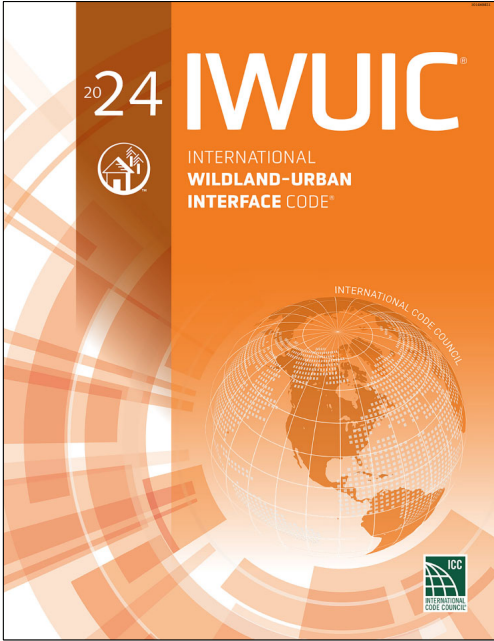


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- Sec. 303-Asphalt Kettles
- Sec. 317-Vegetative and Landscaped Roofs
- Sec. 701.2-Fire-resistance-rated construction
- Sec. 3305.10-Safeguarding Roofing Operations
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**Wildfire mitigation**  
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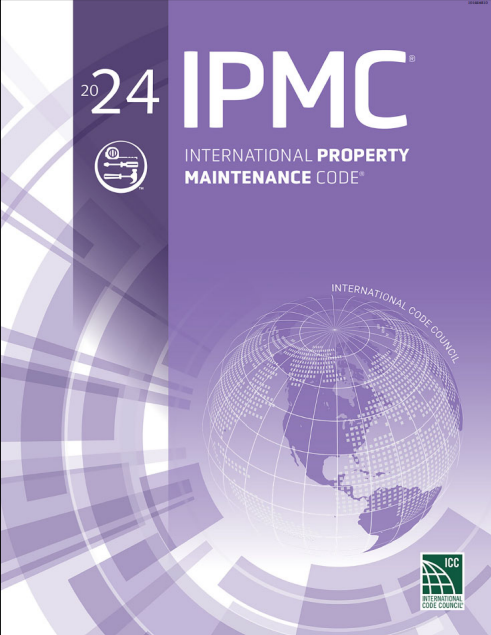
Catastrophic wildfires, such as those that recently occurred in California, Colorado and Hawaii, have resulted in an increased demand for improved wildfire mitigation. The International Code Council Inc.'s International Wildland-Urban Interface Code® provides code-based regulations for wildfire mitigation, including roofing-specific requirements.

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- Beware of the code(s) and specific editions that apply
- Beware of local amendments
- Work collaboratively with the AHJ/code official

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