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What are the different I-Codes?

The International Code Council (ICC) family of codes covers all aspects of construction and includes (but is not limited to):

• International Building Code (IBC): Applies to new and existing buildings, except those residential buildings covered under the International Residential code.

• International Residential Code (IRC): Applies to new and existing one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses of not more than three stories in height.
IRC now contains IECC-R

- IRC and IECC are two of several International codes
- The IRC addresses all topics (structural, plumbing, mechanical, energy, etc.)
- The IECC contains energy provisions for both residential and commercial buildings (building envelope, mechanical, electrical, and service water heating)
Residential Buildings includes:

- Detached one and two-family dwellings and townhouses as well as Group R-2, R-3, and R-4 buildings three stories or less in height above the grade plane.

- Section 310 of the 2018 International Building Code (IBC) provides definitions of what type of occupancies fall under which category.

- The 2018 IBC can be examined here: [https://codes.iccsafe.org/content/IBC2018](https://codes.iccsafe.org/content/IBC2018)

- All buildings that are not classified as Residential, are considered Commercial.
IECC Terminology

Prescriptive
• Compliance path using a set of specifications, like a shopping list, that all must be met individually.

Mandatory
• Provisions required regardless of compliance path

• Note: Unlike simulated performance path, ERI path is not directly based on the prescriptive requirements of the current code version
IECC Chapter 2 Definitions

- Illinois Specific Amendment change
- **Residential Building**: Means a detached one-family or two-family dwelling or any building that is three stories or less in height above grade that contains multiple dwelling units, in which the occupants reside on a primarily permanent basis, such as a townhouse, a row house, an apartment house, a convent, a monastery, a rectory, a fraternity or sorority house, a dormitory, and a rooming house; provided, however, that when applied to a building located within the boundaries of a municipality having a population of 1,000,000 or more (City of Chicago), the term “RESIDENTIAL BUILDING” means a building containing one or more dwelling units, not exceeding four (4) stories above grade, where occupants are primarily permanent.
IECC Chapter 2 Definitions

Improved definition of Approved

2012/15 IECC
• Approval by the code official as a result of investigation and tests conducted by him or her, or by a reason of accepted principles or tests by nationally recognized organizations.

• 2018 IECC
• Acceptable to the code official
Air Barrier – Rewording

2012/15 IECC

- Material(s) assembled and joined together to provide a barrier to air leakage through the building envelope. An air barrier may be a single material or a combination of materials.

2018 IECC

- One or more materials joined together in a continuous manner to restrict or prevent the passage of air through the building thermal envelope and its assemblies.
New to 2018 IECC

Air-Impermeable Insulation
- An insulation that functions as an air barrier

Opaque Door
- A door that is not less than 50 percent opaque in surface area.
Demand Recirculation Water System - rewording

2015 IECC
- A water distribution system where pump(s) prime the service hot water piping with heated water upon demand for hot water.

2018 IECC
- A water distribution system having one or more recirculation pumps that pump water from a heated water supply pipe back to the heated water source through a cold water supply line.

IECC Commentary:
Demand recirculation water systems are more energy efficient than other recirculation systems. Systems are so designed that the water returning to the heating source returns via the cold water piping. The code specifies unique control and insulation requirements for these systems.
• Illinois Specific Amendment additions to code:

**Local Exhaust.** An exhaust system that uses one or more fans to exhaust air from a specific room or rooms within a dwelling.

**Whole House Mechanical Ventilation System.** An exhaust system, supply system, or combination thereof that is designed in accordance with Section R403.6 to mechanically exchange indoor air for outdoor air when operating continuously or through a programmed intermittent schedule to satisfy the whole house ventilation rate. Outdoor air intakes and exhausts shall have automatic or gravity dampers that close when the ventilation system is not operating.
Illinois has climate zones 4A and 5A

5A – Cool Humid  \(5400 < \text{HDD}_{65^\circ F} \leq 7200\)

4A – Mixed Humid  \(\text{CDD}_{50^\circ F} \leq 4500\) and \(\text{HDD}_{65^\circ F} \leq 5400\)

Moist (A) Definition - Location that are not marine and not dry
New in 2015 IECC

R303.1.3. Fenestration Product Rating.
• Exception: Where required, garage door U-Factors shall be determined in accordance with either NFRC 100 or ANSI/DASMA 105.

R303.1.4.1 Insulated Siding.
• Insulated Siding. The thermal resistance (R-value) of insulated siding shall be determined in accordance with ASTM C 1363. Installation for testing shall be in accordance with the manufacturers instructions.
IECC Chapter 4 Residential Energy Efficiency

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Mandatory requirements need to be complied with regardless of Compliance Path.
R401.2 Compliance

2012 IECC

• Compliance. Projects shall comply with sections identified as “mandatory” and with either sections identified as “prescriptive” or the performance approach in Section R405

2015 IECC

• Compliance. Projects shall comply with one of the following:
  1. Sections R401 through R404
  2. Section R405 and the provisions of Section R401 through R404 labeled “Mandatory.”
  3. An energy rating index (ERI) approach in Section R406
R402.1 General (Prescriptive)

New in 2015 IECC

• Exceptions:

1. The following low-energy buildings, or portions thereof, separated from the remainder of the building by the building thermal envelope assemblies complying with this section shall be exempt from the building thermal envelope provisions of section R402.

   1.1 Those with a peak design rate of energy usage less than 3.4 Btu/h. ft² (10.7 W/m²) or 1.0 watts/ft² of floor area for space-conditioning purposes.

   1.2 Those that do not contain a conditioned space.
IECC R402 – Building Thermal Envelope

R402.1 General (Prescriptive)

Revised in 2018 IECC

• Exceptions:

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   1.2 Those that do not contain a conditioned space.

2. Log homes designed in accordance with ICC 400. (added in 2018)

IECC R402 – Building Thermal Envelope

- Fenestration U-Factor change from 2012/15 IECC to 2018 IECC
- Fenestration U-Factor has decreased

### Table R402.1.1 from 2012/15 IECC

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Illinois Specific Amendment in 2015 to No Requirement, IL Amendment proposed to be removed in 2018

Illinois Specific Amendments changed this to 10/13
NFRC Label Example
Footnote d For **Slab R-Value & Depth** has changed

### 2012/15 IECC
- R-5 shall be added to the required slab edge R-values for heated slabs. Insulation depth shall be the depth of the footing or 2 feet, whichever is less in Climate Zones 1 through 3 for heated slabs.

### 2018 IECC
- R-5 shall be provided under the full slab area of a heated slab in addition to the required slab edge insulation R-value for slabs as indicated in the table. The slab edge insulation for heated slabs shall not be required to extend below the slab.

#### Table R402.1.1 from 2012/15 IECC

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Text in Footnote h of 2012/2015 For Wood Frame Wall R-value was moved to R402.2.7 Walls with partial structural sheathing in 2018

2012 IECC

• The first value is cavity insulation, second is continuous insulation or insulated siding, so “13+5” means R-13 cavity insulation plus R-5 continuous insulation or insulated siding. If structural sheathing covers 40 percent or less of the exterior, continuous insulation R-value shall be permitted to be reduced by no more than R-3 in the locations where structural sheathing is used – to maintain a consistent total sheathing thickness.

2015/18 IECC

• The first value is cavity insulation, second is continuous insulation or insulated siding, so “13+5” means R-13 cavity insulation plus R-5 continuous insulation.

Table R402.1.1 from 2012/15 IECC
Footnote i For **Mass Wall R-value** has changed

**2012/15 IECC**
- The second R-value applies when more than half the insulation is on the interior of the mass wall.

**2018 IECC**
- Mass walls shall be in accordance with Section R402.2.5. The second R-value applies where more than half of the insulation is on the interior of the mass wall.

**Table R402.1.1 from 2012/15 IECC**
R402.1 General (Prescriptive)

New in 2015 IECC

• **R402.1.1 Vapor Retarder.** Wall assemblies in the building thermal envelope shall comply with the vapor retarder requirements of Section R702.7 of the International Residential Code or Section 1405.3 of the International Building Code, as applicable.

• A vapor retarder is a material that has a permeance of 1.0 perm or less and greater than 0.1 perm. A vapor retarder is vapor semi-impermeable and is classified as a Class II vapor control layer. The test procedure for classifying vapor retarders is ASTM E-96 Test Method A (the desiccant or dry cup method).
R702.7.2 Material vapor retarder class.

The vapor retarder class shall be based on the manufacturer’s certified testing or a tested assembly. The following shall be deemed to meet the class specified:

1. Class I: Sheet polyethylene on perforated aluminum foil
2. Class II: Kraft faced fiberglass batts.
3. Class III: Latex or enamel paint
R702.7 Vapor Retarders

• Class I or II vapor retarders are required on the interior side of frame walls in Climate Zones 5, 6, 7, 8, and marine 4.
  • Exceptions:
    • Basement walls
    • Below-grade portion of any wall
    • Construction where moisture or its freezing will not damage the materials.
R702.7.1 Class III vapor retarders.

- Class III vapor retarders shall be permitted where any one of the conditions in Table R702.7.1 is met.

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a. Spray foam with a maximum permeance of 1.5 perms at the installed thickness applied to the interior cavity side of wood structural panels, fiberboard, insulated sheathing or gypsum is deemed to meet the continuous insulation requirement where the spray foam R-value meets or exceeds the specified continuous insulation R-value.
R702.7.3 Minimum clear airspaces and vented openings for vented cladding

For the purpose of this section, vented cladding shall include the following minimum clear airspaces. Other openings with the equivalent vent area shall be permitted.

1. Vinyl polypropylene or horizontal aluminum siding applied over a weather-resistive barrier as specified in Table R703.3(1)

2. Brick veneer with a clear airspace as specified in Table R703.8.4

3. Other approved vented claddings
R402.1.3 R-value computation

Additional text in 2015/18 IECC (R402.1.2 in 2012 IECC)

• R402.1.3 R-value computation. Insulation materials used in layers, such as framing cavity insulation, or continuous insulation shall be summed to compute the corresponding component R-value. The manufacturer’s settled R-value shall be used for blown insulation. Computed R-values shall not include an R-value for other building materials or air films. Where insulated siding is used for the purpose of complying with the continuous insulation requirements of Table R402.1.2, the manufacturer’s labeled R-value for the insulated siding shall be reduced by R-0.6.
R402.2.9 Basement Walls

- Illinois Specific Amendment changes

**Exception:** Walls associated with conditioned basements may be insulated from the top of the basement wall down to 4 feet (1219 mm) below grade when the Basement Wall R-value is least 15/19, (Basement Wall U-Factor of 0.050).
R402.4 Air Leakage (Mandatory)

- Starting in 2012, air leakage testing was made mandatory. Mandated air leakage rate not exceeding three air changes per hour (ACH) in Climate Zones 3 through 8.

  - Illinois amended the requirement to ACH50 ≤ 5 for 2015
  - Illinois anticipated amendment to ACH50 ≤ 4 for 2018, pending JCAR approval
  - This amendment is anticipated to go away for 2021, moving the limit to 3 ACH50 or less
R402.4.1.2 Testing – As Amended by the State of Illinois 2015

- The building or dwelling unit shall be tested and verified as having an air leakage rate of not exceeding five air changes per hour (ACH) in Climate Zones 1 and 2, and three air changes per hour in Climate Zones 3 through 8. 4 and 5. The building or dwelling unit shall be provided with a whole – house mechanical ventilation system as designed in accordance with Section R403.6.

- Exceptions:
  - 1. For additions, alterations, renovations or repairs to existing buildings, building envelope tightness and insulation installation shall be considered acceptable when the items in Table R402.4.1.1, applicable to the method of construction, are field verified. Where required by the code official, an approved third party independent from the installer, shall inspect both air barrier and insulation installation criteria.
R402.4.1.2 Testing – Proposed IL Amendment 2018

- The building or dwelling unit shall be tested and verified as having an air leakage rate of not exceeding five air changes per hour (ACH) in Climate Zones 1 and 2, and three air changes per hour in Climate Zones 3 through 8. 4 and 5. The building or dwelling unit shall be provided with a whole-house mechanical ventilation system as designed in accordance with Section R403.6.

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R402.4.1.2 Testing – As Amended by the State of Illinois

• Exceptions (Continued)

• 2. For heated attached private garages and heated detached private garages accessory to one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses not more than three stories above grade plane in height, building envelope tightness and insulation installation shall be considered acceptable when the items in Table R402.4.1.1, applicable to the method of construction, are field verified. Where required by the code official, an approved third party independent from the installer, shall inspect both air barrier and insulation installation criteria. Heated attached private garage space and heated detached private garage space shall be thermally isolated from all other habitable, conditioned spaces.
R402.4.4 Rooms containing fuel burning appliances

This provision was added to the IECC in 2015 but was amended out of the IL code for the 2015 and proposed to be amended out of the IL code for the 2018 version.

This section required rooms where open air combustion ducts provide combustion air to fuel burning appliances such as furnaces and water heaters be isolated from the conditioned space.

Alternative is to use sealed combustion appliances (Furnace & water heater)
New to the 2015 IECC

R403.2 Hot water boiler outdoor temperature setback. Hot water boilers that supply heat to the building through one- or two-pipe heating systems shall have an outdoor setback control that decreases the boiler water temperature based on the outdoor temperature.
R503.3 Ducts

• R403.3.1 Insulation
  • Increased duct insulation levels for larger return (3”+) ducts from R-6 to R-8
  • Decreased duct insulation levels for small ducts (<3” diameter) in spaces other than the attic from R-6 to R-4.2
R403.5.1 – Heated water circulation and temperature maintenance system (Mandatory)

• This requirement was added to the IECC in 2012.

In 2015 addition of:

• R403.5.1.2 Heat trace systems
• R403.5.2 Demand recirculation water systems.
New to 2018 IECC

R403.3.6 Ducts buried within ceiling insulation. Where supply and return air ducts are partially or completely buried in ceiling insulation, such ducts shall comply with all of the following:

1. The supply and return ducts shall have an insulation R-value not less than R-8.

2. At all points along each duct, the sum of the ceiling insulation R-value against and above the top of the duct, and against and below the bottom of the duct, shall not be less than R-19, excluding the R-value of the duct insulation.

Exception: Sections of the supply duct that are less than 3 feet from the supply outlet shall not be required to comply with these requirements.
Provides criteria to determine if ducts are inside conditioned space or not

- Completely inside air barrier OR
- Buried in the ceiling insulation AND
  - Air handler within air & thermal barrier
  - Duct leakage <1.5 cfm per 100 sf
  - Full depth insulation above duct
R403.3.6 – Ducts Buried in ceiling insulation

Provides allowance for duct insulation in buried duct work (for simulated energy performance)
Minimum fan efficiency of **1.2 cfm/w** is added for Heat Recovery Ventilator and Energy Recovery Ventilator for whole house mechanical ventilation system.

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Illinois Amendments to I(L)ECC (but not in IECC)

- **R403.6.2 Recirculation of air.** (M1507.2, 2015 IRC)
- **R403.6.3 Whole-house mechanical ventilation system**
  R403.6.4 through R403.6.6. (M1507.3, 2015 IRC)
- **R403.6.4 System design.** (M1507.3.1, 2015 IRC)
- **R403.6.5 System controls.** (M1507.3.2, 2015 IRC)
- **R403.6.6 Mechanical ventilation rate.** (M1507.3.3, 2015 IRC)
- **R403.6.6.1 Different Occupant Density.**
- **R403.6.6.2 Airflow Measurement.**
- **R403.6.7 Local exhaust rates.** (M1507.4, 2015 IRC)
R403.5.3 Hot Water Pipe Insulation

• 2015 IECC Reduced requirements for pipe insulation from 2012 IECC

R403.10 Pools and permanent spa energy consumption (Mandatory)

• Increased requirement for pool covers. Exception raised from 70% to 75% of energy for heating being site-recovered to eliminate need for pool cover.
R404.1 Lighting Equipment (Mandatory).

- Increased high efficacy lamp requirements from 75% to 90% of the permanently installed lighting fixtures
- Eliminates exception for low voltage lighting

From IECC 2018 Chapter 2 Definitions

**High-Efficacy Lamps.** Compact fluorescent lamps, light-emitting diode (LED) lamps, T-8 or smaller diameter linear fluorescent lamps, or other lamps with an efficacy of not less than the following:

**IL Amendment:**
1. 65 lumens per watt for lamps
2. 55 lumens per watt for fixtures
• Mechanical ventilation added in IECC 2018

• R405.1 Scope. This section establishes criteria for compliance using simulated energy performance analysis. Such analysis shall be included heating, cooling, mechanical ventilation and service water heating energy only.
IECC R405.4.2 Multifamily Unit Modeling

• Batch sampling is allowed for stacked multifamily units
IECC R406 Energy Rating Index Compliance Alternative

• Section R406 added to IECC in 2015

• R406.2 Mandatory requirements. Compliance with this section requires that the provisions identified in Sections R401 through R404 indicated as “Mandatory” and Section R403.5.3 be met.

• R406.3 Energy Rating Index. The Energy Rating Index (ERI) shall be determined in accordance with RESNET ICC 301 except for buildings covered by the International Residential Code,....


Maximum energy rating index has increased from 2015 IECC to 2018 IECC.

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Image courtesy of Energy IQ
In 2015 IECC added Chapter 5 – Existing Buildings

This new chapter covers alterations, repair, addition and change of occupancy of existing buildings and structures.

Section R501 General
Section R502 Additions
Section R503 Alterations
Section R504 Repairs
Section R505 Change of Occupancy or Use
R501.1.1 Additions, alterations, or repairs: General. Additions, alterations, or repairs to an existing building, building system or portion thereof shall comply with Section R502, R503, or R504. Unaltered portions of the existing building or building supply system shall not be required to comply with this code.
IECC R502 Additions

- Illinois Specific Amendment changes
- R 502.1.1.2 Heating and Cooling Systems

**Exception:** Where ducts from an existing heating and cooling system are extended to an addition, the new and existing duct systems with less than 40 linear feet (12.19 m) in unconditioned spaces shall not be required to be tested in accordance with Section R403.3.3. New duct systems shall be sealed in accordance with Section R403.3.2.
IECC R503 Alterations

- Illinois Specific Amendment changes
- R503.1.1 Building Envelope.

Exception: 6. For roof replacement on existing buildings with a roof slope of less than 2 units vertical in 12 units horizontal (2:12), and where the roof covering is removed and insulation remains, and where the required R-value cannot be provided due to thickness limitations presented by existing rooftop conditions, (including heating, ventilating and air-conditioning equipment, low door or glazing heights, parapet heights, weep holes, and roof flashing heights not meeting the manufacturer’s specifications), the maximum thickness of insulation compatible with the available space and existing uses shall be installed. Insulation used shall be minimum R-3.5 per inch. In areas where flashing may be terminated a minimum of 8 inches above the roof covering (including required insulation) insulation shall be a minimum of R-20.
IECC R503 Alterations

- Illinois Specific Amendment changes
- R503.1.1 Building Envelope.

Exception: 7. R-value for roof assemblies with **tapered insulation** above deck with slope greater than 1/8 units vertical in 12 horizontal (1/8:12) shall average R-20.
IECC R503 Alterations

• Illinois Specific Amendment changes

• R503.1.2 Heating and Cooling Systems

Exception: Where ducts from an existing heating and cooling system are extended, the new and existing duct systems with less than 40 linear feet (12.19 in unconditioned spaces) shall not be required to be tested in accordance with Section R403.3.3. Altered duct systems shall be sealed in accordance with Section R403.3.2.
IECC R504 Repairs

- Illinois Specific Amendment changes
- R504.2 Application

The following is considered a repair:

3. Insulation with new roof covering for roof slopes less than 2 units vertical in 12 units horizontal (2:12) inches only in areas where the tapered insulation is used above an existing roof covering to create slope between drains or upslope from obstructions to water flow.
Questions?

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IBC IECC Code References

IBC 101.4.6 – Referenced Codes
IBC 202 – Climate Zones
IBC 1202.1 – Ventilation
IBC Table 1202.3 – Insulation
IBC 1202.4.3.2 – Mechanical Ventilation of crawl spaces
IBC 1301 – Energy Efficiency
IBC 1404.3.1 – Vapor Retarders
IMC IECC Code References

IMC 301.2 – Energy Utilization
IMC 303.3 – Prohibited Locations (fuel gas appliances)
IMC 312.1 – Heating and Cooling Load Calculations
IMC 401.2 – Ventilation Required
IMC 514.1 – Energy Recovery Ventilation Systems
IMC 603.8.2 – Underground Duct Sealing
IMC 604.1 – Duct Insulation
IMC 1204 – Pipe Insulation
IMC 1209.5 – Thermal Barrier Required
IMC 1402.8.3.1 – Solar Thermal Piping Insulation
IRC IECC Code References

IRC R101.3 – Intent
IRC N1101 – Energy Efficiency
IEBC IECC Code References

IEBC 302.3 – Additional Codes
IEBC 702.6 – Materials and Methods
IEBC 707.1 – Level 1 alterations – Energy Conservation
IEBC 810.1 – Level 2 alterations – Energy Conservation
IEBC 907.1 – Level 3 alterations – Energy Conservation
IEBC 1107.1 – Additions – Energy Conservation