

Bulletin

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SAFETY CODES SERVICES BULLETIN

NEW ALBERTA BUILDING AND FIRE CODES AVAILABLE

Effective April 1, 2019, New Construction codes came into force throughout the province of Alberta. Although these new Codes were legally adopted, there has been a delay in the actual publication of the printed material. Effective April 29, 2019, the following Codes are now available for purchase or download from the National Research Council (NRC):

- **National Building Code - 2019 Alberta Edition**
- **National Energy Code of Canada for Buildings 2017**
- **National Fire Code - 2019 Alberta Edition**

IN AN EFFORT TO MAKE THE CONSTRUCTION CODES MORE AVAILABLE TO BUILDERS, DESIGNERS, AND CONTRACTORS, THE NRC HAS REDUCED THE COST OF THE PRINTED CODE BOOKS AND NOW OFFER FREE DOWNLOADABLE VERSIONS OF ALL CONSTRUCTION CODES.

PLEASE VISIT THE NRC VIRTUAL STORE FOR DETAILS <https://nrc.canada.ca/en/node/770/>.

TRANSITION PERIOD

There is a 6-month transition period related to Building Permits. Where a Permit Application is received prior to October 1, 2019, the building may be designed and constructed to the previous 2014 Alberta Building/Fire Codes. All Permit Applications received after October 1, 2019 must be designed and constructed to the new Codes. More information can be found at <http://municipalaffairs.gov.ab.ca/documents/Notice-NewAlbertaBuildingFireEnergyCodes-2019.pdf>.

The City of Medicine Hat Safety Codes Services, in an ongoing effort to provide updates to Home Builders, Contractors, Designers and Trades people regarding Alberta Construction Codes, provide these Bulletins as a service. Any questions regarding this Bulletin should be directed to Safety Codes Services at 403.529.8374.

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