

CODES ADOPTED IN LARIMER COUNTY

Larimer County adopted its first building code effective January 1, 1972. All structures built after January 1, 1972 require(d) a building permit except as noted below, and except structures in Townships 10, 11, and 12 within Ranges 76, 77, and 78 contructed prior to January 1, 1978.

The effective dates of all building codes adopted by Larimer County since 1972 are:

Effective Date	Code Edition	
January 1, 1972	1970 UBC, Volume I; 1971 1&2 FDC; 1971 NEC, Plumbing Regulations, Technical Plumbing Code by Colorado Department of Health ^{1,2,4}	
December 6, 1973	1973 UBC; 1973 UMC; 1971 1&2 FDC; 1971 NEC, Plumbing Regulations, Technical Plumbing Code by Colorado Department of Health ^{1,2}	
June 28, 1978	1976 UBC; 1976 UMC; 1976 Plumbing Code ^{1,2}	
February 15, 1983	1979 UBC; 1979 UMC; 1979 UPC ^{1,3}	
March 5, 1984	1982 UBC; 1982 UMC; 1982 UPC ³	
November 3, 1986	1985 UBC; 1985 UMC; 1985 UPC ³	
October 30, 1989	1988 UBC; 1988 UAC; 1988 UMC; 1988 UPC	
March 18, 1991	Amendments to 1988 Code Editions	
February 10, 1993	1991 UBC; 1991 UAC; 1991 UMC; 1991 UPC	
July 1, 1995	Amendments to 1991 Code Edition (Wildfire Mitigation & Roofing Requirements)	
May 1, 1998	1997 UBC; 1997 UAC; 1997 UMC; 1997 UPC	
July 1, 2000	Amendment governing installation of solid fuel burning devices	
November 17, 2004	2003 IRC; IBC; IPC; IMC; IFGC; IECC; IEBC	
October 2, 2007	2006 IRC; IBC; IPC; IMC; IFGC; IECC; IEBC	
July 31, 2011	2009 IRC; IBC; IPC; IMC; IFGC; IECC; IEBC; 1997 UAC; 2008 NGBS as the standard for a voluntary green building program for 1 & 2 family residences.	
January 1, 2014	2012 IRC; IBC; IPC; IMC; IFGC; IECC; IEBC; 1997 UAC; 2008 NGBS as the standard for a voluntary green building program for 1 & 2 family residences.	
May 1, 2016	2015 IRC; IBC; IPC; IMC; IFGC; IECC; IEBC; 1997 UAC; 2008 NGBS as the standard for a voluntary green building program for 1 & 2 family residences.	
January 1, 2018	Amendments to 2015 IRC, IBC & UAC regarding Vacation Homes in the Estes Valley Planning Area, appeals to Building Official determinations, abatement cost recovery	

UBC=Uniform Building Code	IRC=International Residential Code
FDC=One and Two Family Dwelling Code	IBC=International Building Code
UMC=Uniform Mechanical Code	IPC=International Plumbing Code
NEC=National Electrical Code	IMC=International Mechanical Code
UPC=Uniform Plumbing Code	IFGC=International Fuel Gas Code
UAC=Uniform Code for the Abatement of	IECC=International Energy Conservation Code
Dangerous Buildings	IEBC=International Existing Building Code
	NGBS=National Green Building Standard ICC 700

¹COs not required for single-family residences.

²EXEMPT FROM PERMIT/SPECIFICATION REQUIREMENTS (at Building Officials discretion): Agriculture buildings, private garages, carports, sheds, one-story buildings with an area not exceeding 600 square feet of Type V conventional wood-stud construction, small and unimportant work.

³EXEMPT FROM PERMIT/SPECIFICATION REQUIREMENTS (at Building Officials discretion): Agricultural buildings of any size for private use only.

⁴EXEMPT FROM PERMIT/SPECIFICATION REQUIREMENTS (at Building Officials discretion): May waive permitting on any type of structure up to December 6, 1973. 1972 – no inspections took place anywhere in Larimer County; 1973 – inspections only happened in subdivisions along the Front Range in Ranges 68 & 69. Updated 12/13/17