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TO: **City and County Building Officials**
Mobilehome and Special Occupancy Parks Enforcement Agencies
Factory-built Housing Manufacturers
Factory-built Housing Approved Third-Party Agencies
Interested Parties (SHL, FBH, MP/SOP)
Division Staff

SUBJECT: **2010 California Building Standards Code Effective Date, and Guide to CALGreen**

This Information Bulletin is intended as a reminder to local code enforcement agencies and interested parties of the code changes which become effective January 1, 2011, and to provide notice of an update to the Guide to the California Green Building Standards Code (CALGreen).

2010 California Building Standards Code (CBS Code)

The 2010 CBS Code, in California Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 24, is effective January 1, 2011. For the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), CCR Title 24 is applicable to design and construction of residential occupancies[1], factory–built housing[2], permanent buildings and by reference accessory structures which are constructed in mobilehome and special occupancy parks. The CBS Code will apply to all buildings and structures with a permit application date on or after January 1, 2011. Factory-built housing which does not have a permit application date before January 1, 2011 shall comply with the 2010 CBS Code if it enters production on or after January 1, 2011. The permit application date is established by local government. Interested parties should contact the applicable building department or enforcing agency to determine how the permit application date is established in a specific jurisdiction.

Building officials or interested parties should refer to Building Standards Bulletin 99-01 dated March 17, 1999, issued by and available through the California building Standards Commission (CBSC), for requirements in state law regarding the adoption and modification of the California Building Standards Code by local government. Copies of the CBSC bulletin may be obtained by telephoning the CBSC at (916) 263-0916 or through its website www.bsc.ca.gov.

Portions of the 1997 Uniform Housing Code (UHC) continue to be adopted reference in the State Housing Law Regulations, Title 25, CCR, Division 1, Chapter 1, subchapter 1, section 32. Only Chapters 4, 5, 6 and sections 701.2 and 701.3 of the 1997 UHC are adopted and applicable for the enforcement of use, maintenance and occupancy requirements by local code enforcement agencies. Because the 1997 UHC is currently out of print HCD has posted these sections on the HCD website www.hcd.ca.gov.

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[1] Hotels, motels, lodging houses, apartment houses, dormitories, condominiums and dwellings.

[2] Factory-built housing does not include manufactured homes, mobilehomes, multifamily manufactured housing or commercial modulars (see HSC section 19971).

CALGreen

In June 2010, HCD released "A Guide to the California Green Building Standards Code (Low-rise Residential)," which provided commentary, background, questions and answers, and helpful forms enabling a code user to better understand and comply with mandatory measures contained in CALGreen. An update to the first publication which contains additional information about the mandatory portion of the code provides guidance about the appendices and voluntary tiers and provides more compliance tools will be sent electronically to interested parties and be posted to the HCD website http://www.hcd.ca.gov/CALGreen.html over the next few weeks.

Adopted Codes and Availability

Building Departments are reminded that each state department and each city, county, or city and county shall have an up-to-date copy of Title 24 available for public inspection *(HSC §18942(d))*. Additionally, each city, county, and city and county shall obtain and maintain at least one copy of building standards and other state regulations relating to buildings published in Titles 8, 19, 20, 24, and 25 of the CCR, and that these codes be maintained in the office of the building official responsible for the administration and enforcement of state building standards *(HSC §18942(e)(1))*. Copies of these codes may be purchased as noted below.

The 2010 CBS Code includes:

CBS Code:	Based On:	Published by:
Part 2, 2010 California Building Code	2009 International Building Code	International Code Council
Part 2.5, 2010 California Residential Code	2009 International Residential Code for one & two family dwellings	International Code Council
Part 3, 2010 California Electrical Code	2008 National Electrical Code	National Fire Protection Association
Part 4, 2010 California Mechanical Code	2009 Uniform Mechanical Code	International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials
Part 5, 2010 California Plumbing Code	2009 Uniform Plumbing Code	International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials
Part 6, 2010 California Energy Code	2008 California Energy Standards	California Energy Commission
Part 9, 2010 California Fire Code	2009 International Fire Code	International Code Council
Part 10, 2010 California Existing Building Code	2009 International Existing Building Code	International Code Council
Part 11, 2010 California Green Building Standards Code (CALGreen)	Developed by State Agencies	International Code Council

Where to purchase the California Code of Regulations:

California Code of Regulations Title 24 Parts 1 though 12 (except Parts 4, 5) International Code Council 5203 Leesburg Pike, Suite 600 Falls Church, VA 22041-3401	(202) 370-1800 www.iccsafe.org
California Code of Regulations Title 24 Parts 4 & 5	(800) 85-IAPMO

International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials 5001 E. Philadelphia Street Ontario, Ca 91761-2816	www.iapmo.org
California Code of Regulations Titles 1 through 27 (except Title 24) Barclays Law Publishers (Correspondence) Thomson-West (Mail Order) PO Box 2006 or PO Box 95767 South San Francisco, CA 94126 Chicago, IL 60694-5767	(800) 888-3600
Many local or internet bookstores	

HCD requests that building officials share this Information Bulletin with other housing, environmental health, and fire service officials within their jurisdictions who have code enforcement responsibilities for housing. Questions or comments regarding the effective date of the California Building Standards Code should be directed to Shawn Huff, Housing Standards Programs Manager, at (916) 445-9471 or by electronic mail to shuff@hcd.ca.gov.

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