

# NEW 2018 BUILDING CODES

## **2018 Code Effective Date extended to February 1, 2021:**

Initially, the WA State Governor delayed the adoption of all of the new 2018 Building Codes from July 1, 2020, until November 1, 2020 because of the COVID-19 situation.

Subsequently, at a Special Council meeting on June 26, 2020, the Washington State Building Code Council voted to extend the effective date to February 1, 2021.

<https://sbcc.wa.gov/news/2018-code-effective-date-extended-february-1-2021>

### 1. Overview of the Key Changes to the 2018 I-Codes:

This webpage is developed by the International Code Council and gives a brief overview of the major changes to all of the International Codes (i.e. Commercial, Residential, Fire, Mechanical, Gas, Existing, etc.). <https://www.iccsafe.org/about/periodicals-and-newsroom/key-changes-in-the-2018-i-codes/>

### 2. 2018 IRC Significant Changes:

Handout developed by the International Code Council. This handout identifies important changes in the IRC from 2015 to 2018 edition. <https://www.iccsafe.org/wp-content/uploads/2018-IRC-UPDATE-Handout-9-1-17.pdf>

### 3. 2018 IBC Significant Changes:

Handout developed by the International Code Council. This handout identifies important changes in the IBC from 2015 to 2018 edition. <https://www.iccsafe.org/wp-content/uploads/2018-IBC-UPDATE-Handout-9-1-17.pdf>

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### 4. 2018 IRC Significant Changes:

Video developed by the International Code Council-Georgia  
<https://vimeo.com/255977780>

### 5. 2018 IBC and 2018 IRC Significant Changes Related to Wood Construction:

Well produced video by the American Wood Council. The IRC presentation begins at 57:20 minutes. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z3bZJCXBDV0>

### 6. 2018 IRC Significant Changes to Deck Provisions:

Well produced video by the American Wood Council.  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tRMXhsKrnnl>