

STATE FIRE CODE ADOPTIONS

The following two tables outline which nationally-recognized fire code, if any, has been adopted in each state. States may also adopt amendments to the code, or may adopt a state-specific code which may, or may not, be based on a nationally-recognized code. In addition, local jurisdictions are often allowed to make amendments to the statewide code or even adopt a completely different code, so long as the locally-adopted code is at least as stringent as the statewide adopted code. The auditor or facility compliance assurance manager should always check with the local jurisdiction to determine if any local additions to the state fire code have been adopted and are being enforced locally.

Table 1: State Fire Code Adoption Summary¹

State	IFC	NFPA	NFPA 1 -UFC	Comments ²
Alabama	X			IFC (2015) adopted with exceptions; effective January 2017. In addition, the International Building Code (2015) is adopted with exceptions, as regulations of the State Fire Marshals. Individual jurisdictions often amend the existing code significantly. See State Fire Marshal Regulations, Chapter 482-2-101. See, www.firemarshal.alabama.gov/Codes.aspx .
Alaska	X			IFC (2012) adopted and amended at Title 13 of the Alaska Administrative Code, Chapters 50 through 55; effective May 19, 2017. See, www.dps.state.ak.us/fire/regulations.aspx .
Arizona	X			IFC (2012) adopted with amendments, effective January 3, 2016. See, www.dfbls.az.gov/ofm.aspx .
Arkansas	X			The 2012 Arkansas Fire Prevention Code consists of the IFC (2012), the IBC (2012), and the International Residential Code (2012), as amended by the state. http://asp.arkansas.gov/divisions/regulatory-services/fire-marshal .
California	X			2016 California Fire Code (CFC) is based on the IFC (2015). http://www.fire.ca.gov/index.php .
Colorado	X*			No adopted statewide fire code. Local jurisdictions adopt and enforce specific fire codes locally. *Exception: Colorado has adopted IFC (2015) as the state fire code for public schools, junior colleges, and gaming facilities; IFC (2012) for licensed health care facilities, and IFC (2006) for waste tire facilities.
Connecticut			X*	The Connecticut State Fire Safety Code (adopted in the Connecticut General Statute 29-292, amended 2016) is a blend of fire safety codes which includes portions of NFPA 1-UFC (2003), IFC (2003); and NFPA 101 (2003). *Note: The state issued a notice of intent to adopt a new 2018 Connecticut State Fire Safety Code, based on the IFC (2015) in January 2018, with an anticipated adoption date of October 1, 2018. https://www.cga.ct.gov/current/pub/chap_541.htm#sec_29-291
Delaware			X	NFPA 1-FC (2015) is adopted with minor modifications, effective March 1, 2016. See, http://regulations.delaware.gov/AdminCode/title1/700/701.pdf .
D.C.	X			IFC (2012) as amended by the Construction Codes Supplement constitutes the D.C Fire Prevention Code (2013). See, https://codes.iccsafe.org/public/collections/DC .
Florida			X	NFPA 1-FC (2015) as referenced in the Florida Fire Prevention Code (2017) with specific modifications, amendments and deletions as found in the Florida Administrative Code Chapter 69A. See, http://www.myfloridacfo.com/Division/SFM/BFP/FloridaFirePreventionCodePage.htm . Local amendments are at: https://www.myfloridacfo.com/division/sfm/BFP/LocalAmendments.htm
Georgia	X			IFC (2012) used in conjunction with the Georgia Amendments, constitutes the official <i>Georgia State Minimum Standard Code</i> . The Georgia Amendments (effective January 1, 2014) can be found at: https://dca.ga.gov/sites/default/files/2014_ifcamendments.pdf .

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Hawaii			X	NFPA 1-FC (2015) adopted with amendments effective January 1, 2018 (Hawaii Administrative Code §12-45.4). See http://labor.hawaii.gov/sfc/ .
Idaho	X			IFC (2015) adopted with state specific revisions, additions, deletions, and appendices found at IDAPA 18.01.50. See, http://adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/current/18/180150.pdf .
Illinois		X		In August 2012, the State Fire Marshal adopted the NFPA Life Safety Code (2000) as the state's minimum fire prevention and safety code in 41 IAC 100. http://www.ilga.gov/commission/jcar/admincode/041/04100100sections.html .
Indiana	X			IFC (2012) adopted with amendments listed in 675 IAC 22-2.5 (effective December 1, 2014). See, http://www.in.gov/legislative/iac/20140827-IR-675130341FRA.xml.pdf .
Iowa	X			IFC (2015) adopted by reference by the State Fire Marshal at 661 IAC 201.2(100) with amendments and effective on May 18, 2016. https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/iac/rule/04-13-2016.661.201.2.pdf .
Kansas	X			IFC (2006) and specific NFPA standards adopted with amendments listed in KAR 22-1-3(b). Municipalities may adopt a nationally recognized fire code or the fire protection segment of a nationally-recognized building code with approval of the state fire marshal (KAR 22-1-1). http://firemarshal.ks.gov/docs/default-source/osfm-regs/kar22-1--kansas-fire-prevention-code.pdf?sfvrsn=2 .
Kentucky			X	NFPA 1-FC (2012) and a number of other NFPA standards incorporated by reference at 815 KAR 10:060, Section 8(a). See, www.lrc.state.ky.us/kar/815/010/060.htm .
Louisiana			X	NFPA 1-FC (2015) adopted effective July 1, 2017 (Louisiana Administrative Code 55:V:103). See, http://sfm.dps.louisiana.gov/pr_crl.htm .
Maine			X	NFPA 1-UFC (2006), adopted with amendments, effective September 3, 2007 in compliance with the Maine Administrative Procedures Act, 5 M.R.S.A § 8001 through 11008. See, www.maine.gov/dps/fmo/laws/nfpa.html .
Maryland			X	NFPA 1-FC (2015) incorporated by reference within the State Fire Prevention Code, found at COMAR 29.06.01, except as amended in COMAR 29.06.01.08 - 29.06.01.09; effective January 1, 2016. See, http://mdsp.maryland.gov/firemarshal/Documents/State%20Fire%20Prevention%20Code%202016%20January%2001%20Adopted.pdf .
Massachusetts				The Massachusetts Comprehensive Fire Safety Code (527 CMR 1.00) adopts, in large part, NFPA 1-FC (2015) with amendments and is effective January 1, 2018. See, https://www.mass.gov/regulations/527-CMR-100-massachusetts-comprehensive-fire-safety-code .
Michigan			X	NFPA 1-UFC (2006) is adopted by reference, with amendments (effective March 2011) in the Michigan Fire Prevention Code at R 29.1652. See, http://dmbinternet.state.mi.us/DMB/ORRDocs/AdminCode/27_10026_AdminCode.pdf
Minnesota	X			IFC (2012) adopted with amendments in the Minnesota State Fire Code. See, https://dps.mn.gov/divisions/sfm/fire-code/Pages/state-fire-code.aspx .
Mississippi	X			IFC (2012) adopted by reference in the Mississippi Fire Prevention Code (Sections 45-11-101 through 45-11-111 MS Code), effective November 1, 2012. See, https://www.mid.ms.gov/legal/regulations/FM20101reg.pdf .
Missouri				No adopted statewide fire code. Local Fire Departments are responsible for adopting the code their jurisdiction. For a listing of Fire Departments within Missouri. See, http://dfs.dps.mo.gov/ .
Montana	X			Montana adopted the IFC (2012) with modifications at Rule 23.12.601 effective December 27, 2013. http://www.mtrules.org/gateway/ruleno.asp?RN=23.12.601 .
Nebraska			X	NFPA 1-UFC (2003) adopted by reference within the state of Nebraska's Fire Code Regulations (Title 153 of the Nebraska Administrative Code, Chapter 1); effective July 1, 2004. The regulations are available at the Nebraska State Fire Marshal's Office website: www.sfm.state.ne.us/ .

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Nevada	X			IFC (2012) adopted by reference within the State Fire Marshall regulations at Title 42 of the Nevada Administrative Code, Chapter 477 (42 NAC 477.281, effective September 2016), with state changes to the IFC at 42 NAC 477.283. See, www.leg.state.nv.us/NAC/NAC-477.html .
New Hampshire			X	NFPA 1-FC (2009) adopted by reference within the New Hampshire's Code of Administrative Rules at Saf-C 6008.01, except as modified by Saf-C 6008.02 and Saf-C 6008.03. See, www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rules/state_agencies/saf-c6000.html .
New Jersey	X			New Jersey has adopted IFC (2015) as the State Fire Prevention Code, subject to the modifications set forth in NJAC 5:70-3.2. Effective February 5, 2018. See, http://www.nj.gov/dca/divisions/dfs/codes/ .
New Mexico	X			IFC (2003) for new construction and NFPA 1 and NFPA 101-1997 for existing facilities adopted by the State Fire Marshal's Office. See, http://164.64.110.239/nmac/parts/title10/10.025.0005.htm
New York	X			Based on IFC (2015), including New York-specific modifications made by the State Fire Prevention and Building Code Council. See, https://codes.iccsafe.org/public/ . New York City maintains its own fire code, the New York City Fire Code (last updated in 2014), that establishes fire safety requirements for buildings and businesses in New York City. See https://www1.nyc.gov/site/fdny/about/resources/code-and-rules/nyc-fire-code.page .
North Carolina	X			IFC (2009) is fully integrated with amendments within the North Carolina State Fire Code, 2012 Edition, effective September 2011. See, https://codes.iccsafe.org/public/ .
North Dakota	X			IFC (2015) and other various specific NFPA standards are adopted statewide by reference at North Dakota Administrative Code Chapter 10-07-01. See, http://www.legis.nd.gov/information/acdata/pdf/10-07-01.pdf?20150716074053 .
Ohio	X			The 2017 Ohio Fire Code (OFC), effective December 15, 2017, is based on the IFC (2015), with exceptions and changes specifically required by Ohio law (OAC 1301:7-7). See http://codes.ohio.gov/oac/1301:7-7 .
Oklahoma	X			IFC (2015) adopted with modifications, effective September 15, 2017, as specified in OAC 748:20-3. View adoption and modifications at, https://www.ok.gov/oubcc/ .
Oregon	X			IFC (2012) adopted as the Oregon Fire Code, 2014 edition, subject to the exclusions and amendments in OAR 837-040 (OAR 837-040-0010), effective January 2014. See http://www.oregon.gov/osp/SFM/Pages/2014ORFireCode.aspx .
Pennsylvania	X			Pennsylvania's statewide building code is referred to as the Uniform Construction Code (UCC). Over 90% of Pennsylvania's 2,563 municipalities have elected to administer and enforce the UCC locally. Note that IFC (2009) is adopted along with portions of IFC (2015) within the UCC, effective April 16, 2016. See, http://www.dli.pa.gov/ucc/Documents/act_45/Chapter%20403.pdf .
Rhode Island			X	NFPA 1-UFC (2012) adopted as the Rhode Island Fire Safety Code, in 450-RICR Part 7, except those portions specifically reserved, deleted, altered, added to, or otherwise amended by the state. See, http://www.fsc.ri.gov/documents/450-RICR-00-00-7%20-%20Fire%20Code.pdf .
South Carolina	X			IFC (2015) adopted, effective July 1, 2016, by the South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulations, Division of Fire and Life Safety, Office of State Fire Marshal. They have also adopted a number of individual NFPA standards. See, http://www.scfiremarshal.llronline.com/EngServices/index.aspx?file=AdoptedStandards.htm .
South Dakota	X			IFC (2015) adopted by reference within the Public Safety rules, Fire Safety Standards at Administrative Rule 61:15:01:01, with state modifications, amendments, and deletions, effective October 17, 2016. See, http://legis.sd.gov/Rules/DisplayRule.aspx?Rule=61:15:01 .
Tennessee	X			IFC (2012) is adopted as minimum statewide standards, effective August 4, 2016. See, https://www.tn.gov/commerce/fire/codes-enforcement.html .
Texas			X	The State Fire Marshal adopted NFPA 1-FC (2015) as the state fire code effective February 1, 2017 with the exceptions noted in 28 TAC 34.303. See, http://www.tdi.texas.gov/fire/fmfsinotices.html .

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Utah	X			IFC (2015) adopted effective July 1, 2016, including adoption of specific NFPA standards and excluding appendices and as amended by state provisions. See, http://firemarshal.utah.gov/laws-rules/ .
Vermont			X	NFPA 1-FC (2015) and NFPA 101 Life Safety Code (2015) adopted with revisions within the <i>Vermont Fire & Building Safety Code</i> ; effective October 10, 2016. See, http://firesafety.vermont.gov/sites/firesafety/files/files/Documents/dfs_codesheet_codes%202015.pdf .
Virginia	X			IFC (2012) incorporated by reference with state amendments in the Virginia Statewide Fire Prevention Code (SFPC 2012), effective July 14, 2014. To access the Virginia SFPC, go to: https://codes.iccsafe.org/public/ . <i>Note</i> : The state issued a final rule on April 30, 2018 that adopts the 2015 edition of the IFC (replacing the 2012 IFC) effective October 16, 2018.
Washington	X			IFC (2015) adopted by reference at WAC 51-54-003 with the additions, deletions, and exceptions in WAC 51-54; effective July 1, 2016. See http://app.leg.wa.gov/WAC/default.aspx?cite=51-54A .
West Virginia			X	NFPA 1-FC (2015) adopted by reference in the State Fire Code regulations at Title 87 Legislative Rule – Fire Commission Series 1, Fire Code, effective July 1, 2016 (Code adoption at §87-1-2; listed at Appendix A). See, https://firemarshal.wv.gov/Documents/Laws%20and%20Code/State%20Fire%20Code.pdf .
Wisconsin			X	NFPA 1-FC (2012) incorporated by reference at WAC SPS 314.001, subject to the modifications specified in WAC SPS 314. See, https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/admin_code/sps/safety_and_buildings_and_environment/301_319/314.pdf .
Wyoming	X			IFC (2018) adopted by the state; local jurisdictions must adopt these new codes by December 1, 2018. See, http://wsfm.wyo.gov/plan-review .
Puerto Rico	X			Puerto Rico adopted the IFC (2009) in February 2011. See, https://www.iccsafe.org/about-icc/government-relations/map/puerto-rico/

¹ Nationally-recognized codes are listed in this table as follows (edition shown, parenthetically):

- IFC: International Fire Code
- NFPA 1: National Fire Protection Association (Chapter 1, Fire Prevention Code pre-2003 ed.)
- NFPA 1-UFC: National Fire Protection Association (Chapter 1, Uniform Fire Code 2003 and 2006)
- NFPA 1-FC: National Fire Protection Association (Chapter 1, Fire Code 2009 ed. and later)

² Where available, website addresses or state regulations are provided to assist in finding state-specific information.

Table 2: Fire Code Adoption by State¹

IFC ²	NFPA 1 ³	NFPA 1 -UFC ⁴	No Standard Statewide Code ⁵
Alabama (2015) Alaska (2012) Arizona (2012) Arkansas (2012) California (2015) Colorado ⁷ (2006) and (2012) D.C. (2012) Georgia (2012) Idaho (2015) Indiana (2012) Iowa (2015) Kansas (2006) Minnesota (2012) Mississippi (2012) Montana (2012) Nevada (2012) New Jersey ⁶ (2015) New Mexico (2003) for new construction New York ⁶ (2015) North Carolina (2009) North Dakota (2015) Ohio ⁶ (2015) Oklahoma (2015) Oregon (2012) Pennsylvania ⁶ (2009, 2015) South Carolina (2015) South Dakota (2015) Tennessee (2012) Utah (2015) Virginia (2012) Washington (2015) Wyoming (2018) Puerto Rico (2009)	New Mexico (1997) for existing facilities	Connecticut ⁶ (2003) Delaware (2015) Florida (2015) Hawaii (2015) Kentucky (2012) Louisiana (2015) Maine (2006) Maryland (2015) Massachusetts (2015) Michigan (2006) Nebraska (2003) New Hampshire (2009) Rhode Island (2012) Texas (2015) Vermont (2015) West Virginia (2015) Wisconsin (2012)	Colorado ⁷ Illinois ⁶ Missouri

¹ Auditors must always check for state or local amendments, deletions, or modifications to nationally-recognized codes adopted. See Table 1 for additional details.

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- ² IFC: International Fire Code (adopted Code Edition indicated parenthetically).
- ³ NFPA: National Fire Protection Association (Chapter 1, Fire Prevention Code, adopted Code Edition indicated parenthetically).
- ⁴ NFPA 1-UFC: National Fire Protection Association (Chapter 1, Uniform Fire Code, adopted Code Edition indicated parenthetically).
- ⁵ State has no statewide code; code authority is given to the local jurisdiction.
- ⁶ State code is separate, but based on this nationally-recognized code (CT includes a blend of multiple codes; IL code is based on NFPA Life Safety Code).
- ⁷ Colorado has not adopted a general statewide fire code. Local jurisdictions adopt and enforce specific fire codes locally. Exceptions: Colorado has adopted IFC (2015) as the state fire code for public schools, junior colleges, and gaming facilities; IFC (2012) for licensed health care facilities, and IFC (2006) for waste tire facilities.