



Ninth Edition of the State Building Code (780 CMR)

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Ladies and Gentlemen -

As you may be aware, the Ninth Edition of the State Building Code (780 CMR) is nearly complete. The new, ninth edition code is based on modified versions of the following [2015 codes](#) as published by the [International Code Council](#) (ICC).

- The International Building Code (IBC);
- International Residential Code (IRC);
- International Existing Building Code (IEBC);
- International Mechanical Code (IMC);
- International Energy Conservation Code (IECC);
- International Swimming Pool and Spa Code (ISPSC); and
- Portions of the International Fire Code (IFC).

It is expected that the new code will be filed with Secretary of State in late August or early September. Once filed, a concurrency period is allowed for practitioners to choose to comply with either the current, eighth edition or new ninth edition of the code, without mixing provisions. The concurrency period ends on December 31, 2017 and the ninth edition will become in full force and effect on **January 1, 2018**.

What does that mean for manufactured building designs?

Any manufactured building project utilizing eighth edition code provisions will need to have been assigned a *BBS Approval Number on or before December 31, 2017*. Any project with a BBS number issued on or after January 1, 2018 will be expected to comply with the ninth edition of the code.

Due to statutory obligations, the one exception to this message is that the 2015 IECC went into effect on August 12, 2016 as an [amendment to the Eighth Edition](#).

We will continue to provide updated information over the next several weeks as it becomes available. In the interim, it is hoped that this information is helpful.

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