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	CHAPTER 1 SCOPE AND ADMINISTRATION	CHAPTER 1 SCOPE AND ADMINISTRATION
	C101.4.1 Existing buildings. Mixed occupancy	
	C101.4.2 Historic buildings.	
	C101.4.3 Additions, alterations, renovations or repairs.	
	C101.3.2 Information on construction documents. New	
	Section.	
		<b>C102.1 General.</b> This code is not intended to prevent the
		use of any material <del>, method of construction, design or</del>
		insulating system not specifically prescribed herein,
		provided that such construction, design or insulating
		system has been approved by the code official as meeting
		the intent of this code or to prohibit any design or
		method of construction not specifically prescribed by this
		code, provided that any such alternative has been
		approved. An alternative material, design or method of
		construction shall be approved where the code official
		finds that the proposed design is satisfactory and
		complies with the intent of the provisions of this code,
		and that the material, method or work offered is, for the
		purpose intended, not less than the equivalent of that
		prescribed in this code in quality, strength, effectiveness,
		fire resistance, durability and safety. Where the
		alternative material, design or method of construction is
		not approved, the code official shall respond in writing,
		stating the reasons why the alternative was not
		approved.
C102.1.1 Above code programs. The code official or	C102.1.1 Above code programs. The code official or other	C102.1.1 Above code programs. The code official or
other authority having jurisdiction shall be permitted	authority having jurisdiction shall be permitted to deem a	other authority having jurisdiction shall be permitted to
to deem a national, state or local energy efficiency	national, state or local energy efficiency program to	deem a national, state or local energy efficiency program
program to exceed the energy efficiency required by	exceed the energy efficiency required by this code.	to exceed the energy efficiency required by this code.

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this code. Programs seeking approval must submit all requested supporting documentation, including program guidelines, protocols, calculations and program simulation Operformance software, if applicable, the NNICC and/or jurisdictions for review for use as acceptable software. Buildings approved in writing by such an energy efficiency program shall be considered in compliance with this code. The requirements identified as "mandatory" in Chapter 4 shall be met.	Buildings approved in writing by such an energy efficiency program shall be considered in compliance with this code. The requirements identified as "mandatory" in Chapter 4 shall be met.	Buildings approved in writing by such an energy efficiency program shall be considered in compliance with this code. The requirements identified as "mandatory" in Chapter 4 shall be met
shall be met.		C103.6 Building documentation and closeout submittal requirements. New section added.
		SECTION C104 C105 INSPECTIONS. Section renumbered.
	C104.2 Required inspections. Section rewritten.	<u></u>
	104.4 Approved inspection agencies. Section	
	renumbered and rewritten.	
	CHAPTER 2 DEFINITIONS	CHAPTER 2 DEFINITIONS
		ACCESS TO. New definition.
C202 AIR CURTAIN. A device, installed at the building	AIR CURTAIN. A device, installed at the building entrance,	
entrance, that generates and discharges a laminar	that generates and discharges a laminar airstream	
airstream intended to prevent the infiltration of	intended to prevent the infiltration of external,	
external, unconditioned air into the conditioned	unconditioned air into the conditioned spaces, or the loss	
spaces, or the loss of interior, conditioned air to the	of interior, conditioned air to the outside	
<u>outside</u>		
	ALTERATION. New definition.	
	BELOW-GRADE WALL. New definition.	
	BOILER, MODULATING. New definition.	
	BOILER SYSTEM. New definition.	
	BUBBLE POINT. New definition.	

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		CAPTIVE KEY OVERRIDE. New definition.
C202 CASINO. A structure that houses a business with	C202 CASINO. A structure that houses a business with a	
a Non- restricted Gaming License from the Nevada	Non-restricted Gaming License from the Nevada Gaming	
Gaming Commission and State Gaming Control Board.	Commission and State Gaming Control Board. It includes	
It includes the gaming area(s) as well as the adjacent	the gaming area(s) as well as the adjacent area(s) within	
area(s) within the building envelope.	the building envelope.	
C202 CASINO GAMING AREA. The space within a	C202 CASINO GAMING AREA. The space within a casino	
casino where gaming is conducted. The gaming area	where gaming is conducted. The gaming area shall	
shall include accessory uses within the same room(s)	include accessory uses within the same room(s) as, or	
as, or substantially open to the gaming floor(s). Such	substantially open to the gaming floor(s). Such areas shall	
areas shall include, but not be limited to lobbies,	include, but not be limited to lobbies, balconies, public	
balconies, public circulation areas, assembly areas,	circulation areas, assembly areas, restaurants, bars,	
restaurants, bars, lounges, food courts, retail spaces,	lounges, food courts, retail spaces, mezzanines,	
mezzanines, convention pre-function area, cashier's	convention pre-function area, cashier's cages, players	
cages, players clubs, customer support, conservatoires	clubs, customer support, conservatoires and promenades	
and promenades that share the same atmosphere,	that share the same atmosphere, spillover lighting and	
spillover lighting and theme lighting with the adjacent	theme lighting with the adjacent gaming floor area.	
gaming floor area.	For accessory areas situated on the perimeter of the	
For accessory areas situated on the perimeter of the	gaming floor to be considered substantially open, the	
gaming floor to be considered substantially open, the	wall(s) or partition(s) separating an accessory space from	
wall(s) or partition(s) separating an accessory space	the gaming area must be a minimum of 50%nopen, as	
from the gaming area must be a minimum of	measured from the interior side of the accessory space,	
50%nopen, as measured from the interior side of the	with no doors, windows or other obstructions, other than	
accessory space, with no doors, windows or other	roll up security grills, installed within the opening.	
obstructions, other than roll up security grills, installed		
within the opening.		
		CAVITY INSULATION. New definition.
		CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY. New definition.
	CIRCULATING HOT WATER SYSTEM. New definition.	
	COMPUTER ROOM. New definition.	

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	CONDENSING UNIT. New definition.	
	CONTINUOUS INSULATION. New definition.	
	DAYLIGHT RESPONSIVE UNIT. New definition.	
	DAYLIGHT ZONE. New definition.	
	FAN EFFICEINCY GRADE (FEG). New definition.	
	GENERAL PURPOSE ELECTRIC MOTOT (SUBTYPE I). New	
	definition.	
	GENERAL PURPOSE ELECTRIC MOTOR (SYBTYPE II). New	
	definition.	
	GREENHOUSE. New definition.	
	HIGH SPEED DOOR. New definition.	
	HISTORIC BUILDING. New definition.	
		IEC DESIGN H MOTOR. New definition.
		IEC DESIGN N MOTOR. New definition.
		ISOLATION DEVICES. New definition.
	LINER SYSTEM (Ls). New definition.	
	LOW-SLOPED ROOF. New definition.	
	LOW-VOLTAGE DRY-TYPE DISTRIBUTION	
	TRANSFORMER. New definition.	
C202 LUMINAIRE. A complete lighting unit consisting	C202 LUMINAIRE. A complete lighting unit consisting of a	
of a light source, such as a lamp or lamps, together	light source, such as a lamp or lamps, together with parts	
with parts designed to position the light source and	designed to position the light source and connect it to the	
connect it to the power supply. It may also include	power supply. It may also include parts to protect the	
parts to protect the light source, ballast, or distribute	light source, ballast, or distribute the light. A lampholder	
the light. A lampholder itself is not a luminaire	<u>itself is not a luminaire</u>	
		<b>LUMINAIRE-LEVEL LIGHTING CONTROLS.</b> New definition.
		NEMA DESIGN A MOTOR. New definition.
		NEMA DESIGN B MOTOR. New definition.
		NEMA DESIGN C MOTOR. New definition.

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		NETWORK GUESTROOM CONTROL SYSTEM. New
		definition.
OCCUPANT SENSOR (LIGHTING). A device that detects	OCCUPANT SENSOR (LIGHTING). A device that detects	
the presence or absence of people within an area and	the presence or absence of people within an area and	
causes lighting to be regulated accordingly. The term	causes lighting to be regulated accordingly. The term	
"occupant sensor" applies to a device that controls	"occupant sensor" applies to a device that controls	
interior lighting systems. When the device is used to	interior lighting systems. When the device is used to	
control outdoor lighting systems, it is referred to as a	control outdoor lighting systems, it is referred to as a	
motion sensor. This definition also applies to	motion sensor. This definition also applies to "occupancy	
"occupancy sensor" and "occupant-sensing device".	sensor" and "occupant-sensing device".	
	OCCUPANT SENSOR CONTROL. New definition.	
	OPAQUE DOOR. New definition.	
	POWERED ROO/WALL VENTILATORS. New definition.	
	RFRIGERANT DEW POINT. New definition.	
	REFRIGERATED WAREHOUSE COOLER. New definition.	
	REFRIGERATED WAREHOUSE FREEZER. New definition.	
	REFRIGERATION SYSTEM, LOW TEMPERATURE. New	
	definition.	
	REFRIGERATION SYSTEM, MEDIUM TEMPERATURE. New	
	definition.	
	REGISTERED DESIGN PROFESSIONAL. New definition.	
	REROOFING. New definition	
	ROOF REPAIR. New definition.	
	ROOF REPLACEMENT. New definition.	
	ROOFTOP MONITOR. New definition.	
	SATURATED CONDENSING TEMPERATURE. New	
	definition.	
	VARIABLE REFRIGERANT FLOW SYSTEM. New definition.	
		VOLTAGE DROP. New definition.
	WALK-IN COOLER. New definition.	

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	WALK-IN FREEZER. New definition.	
	WALL, ABOVE-GRADE. New definition.	
	WALL, BELOW-GRADE. New definition.	
	WATER HEATER. New definition.	
	CHAPTER 3 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS	CHAPTER 3 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS
	C301.4 Tropical climate zone. New section	
		C303.1.1 Building thermal envelope insulate.
		Exception. For roof insulation installed above the deck,
		the R-value shall be labeled as required by the material
		standards specified in Table 1508.2 of the International
		Building Code.
	C303.1.3 Fenestration product rating.	<b>C303.1.3 Fenestration product rating.</b> Section rewritten.
	<b>Exception:</b> Where required, garage door U-factors shall	
	be determined in accordance with either NFRC 100 or	
	ANSI/DASMA 105.	
	C303.1.4.1 Insulated siding. New section.	
		C303.2.2 Multiple layers of continuous insulation board.
		New section.
	CHAPTER 4 COMMERCIAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY	CHAPTER 4 COMMERCIAL ENERGY EFFICIENCY
	C401.2.1 Application to existing buildings replacement	
	<u>fenestration products</u> . Section rewritten.	
	C402.1 General (Prescriptive). Section rewritten.	
	C402.2 Specific building thermal envelope insulation	
	requirements (Prescriptive). Insulation in building	
	thermal envelope opaque assemblies shall comply with	
	Sections C402.2.1 through C402.2.6 and Table	
	C402.1.3. Opaque assemblies shall comply with Table	

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	Where two or more layers of continuous insulation board	
	are used in the construction assembly, the continuous	
	insulation boards shall be installed in accordance with	
	Section c302.2. If the continuous insulation board	
	manufacturer's installation instructions do not address	
	installation of two or more layers, the edge joints	
	between each layer of continuous insulation boards shall	
	be staggered. C402.2.	
	C402.2.1 Multiple layers of continuous insulation board.	C402.2.1 Multiple layers of continuous insulation board.
	Where two or more layers of continuous insulation board	Where two or more layers of continuous insulation board
	are used in the construction assembly, the continuous	are used in the construction assembly, the continuous
	insulation boards shall be installed in accordance with	insulation boards shall be installed in accordance with
	Section C302.2. If the continuous insulation board	Section C302.2. If the continuous insulation board
	manufacturer's installation instructions do not address	manufacturer's installation instructions do not address
	installation of two or more layers, the edge joints	installation of two or more layers, the edge joints
	between each layer of continuous insulation boards shall	between each layer of continuous insulation boards shall
	be staggered.	<u>be staggered.</u>
	C402.2.2 Roof assembly.	C402.2.2 1 Roof assembly. The minimum thermal
	Exceptions:	resistance (R-value) of the insulating material installed
	2. Where tapered insulation is used with insulation	either between the roof framing or continuously on the
	entirely above deck, the R-value where the insulation	roof assembly shall be specified in Table C402.1.3, based
	varies 1 inch (25 mm) or less from the minimum thickness	on the construction materials used in the roof assembly.
	of tapered insulation shall comply with the R-value	Insulation installed on a suspended ceiling with
	specified in Table 402.1.3.	removable ceiling tiles shall not be considered part to the
	3. Unit skylight curbs included as a component of an NFRC	minimum thermal resistance of the roof insulation.
	100 rated assembly shall not be required to be insulated.	Continuous insulation board shall be installed in not less
		than 2 layers and the edge joints between each layer of
		insulation shall be staggered. Skylight curbs shall be
		insulated tot the level of the roofs with insulation entirely
		above deck or R-5, whichever is less.

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		Exceptions:
		1. Continuously insulated roof assemblies where the
		thickness of the insulation varies 1 inch (25 mm) or less
		and where the area-weighted U-factor is equivalent to
		the same assembly with the R-value specified in Table
		C402.1.3.
		2. Where tapered insulation is used with insulation
		entirely above deck, the R-value where the insulation
		varies 1 inch (25 mm) or less from the minimum thickness
		of tapered insulation shall comply with the R-value
		specified in Table 402.1.3.
		3. Unit skylight curbs included as a component of an NFRC
		100 rated assembly shall not be required to be insulated.
		Insulation installed on a suspended ceiling with
		removable ceiling tiles shall not be considered part to the
		minimum thermal resistance of the roof insulation.
		C402.1.1 Skylight curbs. Skylight curbs shall be insulated
		tot the level of the roofs with insulation entirely above
		deck or R-5, whichever is less.
		<b>Exception:</b> Unit skylight curbs included as a component of
		a skylight listed and labeled in accordance with NFRC 100
		shall not be required to be insulated.
	C402.2.3 Thermal resistance of above-ground walls.	
	"Mass walls" shall include walls weighing not less than:	
	1. Weighing not less than 35 psf (170 kg/m²) of wall	
	surface area; or	
	2. Weighing not less than 25 psf (120 kg/m²) of wall	
	surface area if the material weight is not more than 120	
	pounds per cubic foot (pcf) (1900 kg/m³).	

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	3. Having a heat capacity exceeding 5 Btu/ft <sup>2</sup> 8 °F (144	
	<u>kJ/M<sup>2</sup> * K).</u>	
	4. Having a heat capacity exceeding 5 Btu/ft <sup>2</sup> * <sup>0</sup> F (103	
	kJ/m <sup>2</sup> 8 K), where the material weight is not more than	
	120 pcf (1900 kg/m <sup>3</sup> ).	
	C402.2.4 Floors. New section.	C402.2.3 Floors. Renumbered and rewritten.
	C402.2.5 Slabs on grade-Slabs-on-grade perimeter	C402.2.5 Slabs-on-grade perimeter insulation. Section
	insulation. Section renamed.	renumbered.
		C402.2.5 Below-grade wall. New section inserted.
	C402.2.6 Insulation of radiant heating systems. Section	
	rewritten.	
		C402.2.7 Airspaces. New section.
	C402.3 Roof solar reflectance and thermal emittance.	C402.3 Roof solar reflectance and thermal emittance.
	New section inserted.	Section rewritten.
	C402.4.1.1 Increased vertical fenestration area with	
	daylight responsive controls. Section rewritten.	
		C402.1.2 Increased skylight area with daylight
		responsive controls. The skylight area shall be permitted
		to be not more than $\frac{5}{6}$ percent of the roof area provided
		daylight responsive controls complying with Section
		C405.2.3.1 are installed in toplit zones daylight zones
		under skylights.
	C402.2.4.2.1 Lighting controls in daylight zones under	
	skylights. Section rewritten.	
C402.4 Air leakage (Mandatory). The thermal		
envelope of buildings shall comply with Sections		
C402.4.1 through C402.4. <u>9</u> .		
	C402.4.2 Minimum skylight fenestration area. Section	
	rewritten.	
		C402.4.4 Daylight zones. New section inserted.

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		C402.5 Doors. Opaque swinging doors shall comply with
		the applicable requirements for doors as specified in
		Table C402.1.4 3. and C402.4 and Opaque nonswinging
		doors shall comply with Table C402.1.3. Opaque doors
		shall be considered part of the gross area of above-grade
		walls that are part of the building thermal envelope.
		Other doors shall comply with the provisions of Section
		C402.4.3 for vertical fenestration.
C402.7 Vestibules. Exception 7: Doors that have an air		
curtain with the velocity of not less than 6.56 feet per		
second (2 m/s) at the floor that have been tested in		
accordance with ANSI/AMCA 220 and installed in		
accordance with manufacturer's instructions. Manual		
or automatic controls shall be provided that will		
operate the air curtain with the opening and closing of		
the door. Air curtains and their controls shall comply		
with Section C408.2.3.		
C402.4.9 Air curtains. Where doorway, passageway or		
pass-thru openings in the building thermal envelope		
are intended to be normally opened to the exterior		
environment, an approved air curtain tested in		
accordance with ANSI/AMCA 220 shall be used to		
separate conditioned area from the exterior.		
	C402.5.1.2.1 Materials (16) Solid and hollow masonry	
	constructed of clay or shale masonry units.	
	C402.5.1.2.2 Assemblies.	
	2. Masonry walls constructed of clay or shale masonry	
	units with a nominal width of 4 inches (102 mm) or more.	

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	3. A Portland cement/sand purge, stucco or plaster not	
	less than 1/2 inch (12.7 mm) in thickness.	
	C402.5.3 Rooms containing fuel-burning appliances. New	C402.5.3 Rooms containing fuel-burning appliances.
	section.	Section rewritten.
	C402.5.7 Vestibules.	
	<b>Exception 7.</b> Doors that have an air curtain with a velocity	
	of not less than 6.56 feet per section (2 m/s) at the floor	
	that have been tested in accordance with ANSI/AMCA	
	220 and installed in accordance with the manufacturer's	
	instructions. Manual or automatic controls shall be	
	provided that will operate the air curtain with the	
	opening and closing of the door. Air curtains and their	
	controls shall comply with Section C408.2.3.	
	C402.5.8 Recessed lighting. New section.	
		C403.2 System design (Mandatory). Relocated rewritten
		section inserted along with associated sub-sections.
	<b>TABLE C403.2.3 (1).</b> Amended.	
	<b>TABLE C403.2.3 (2).</b> Amended.	
	<b>TABLE C403.2.3 (3).</b> Amended.	
	<b>TABLE C403.2.3(7).</b> Amended.	
	<b>TABLE C403.2.3 (8).</b> Amended.	
	C403.2.3.1 Water-cooled centrifugal chilling packages.	
	Exception: Centrifugal chillers designed to operate	
	outside of these ranges need not comply with this code.	
	C403.2.4.1.2 Deadband. New section.	
	C403.2.4.1.3 Set point overlap restriction. Section	
	rewritten.	
	C403.2.4.3 Shutoff dampers. New section.	
	C403.2.4.4 Zone isolation. New section.	

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	C403.2.4.6 Economizer fault detection and diagnostic	e <u>s</u>
	(FDD). New section.	
	C403.2.5 Hot water boiler outdoor temperature setba	ack
	control. New section.	
	C403.2.6.2 Enclosed parking garage ventilation control	ols.
	New section.	
	<b>TABLE C403.2.7(1).</b> New table.	
	<b>TABLE C403.2.7(2).</b> New table.	
	C403.2.7 Energy recovery ventilation systems.	
	Exceptions:	
	10. Systems exhausting toxic, flammable, paint or	
	corrosive fumes and dust.	
	11. Commercial cooking hoods used for collecting and	
	removing grease vapors and smoke.	
	C403.2.8 Kitchen exhaust systems. New section.	
	<b>TABKE C403.1.12.1(2.</b> Amended.	
	C403.2.14 Refrigeration equipment performance. Nev	<u>w</u>
	section.	
	<b>TABLE C403.2.14(1).</b> New table.	
	<b>TABLE C403.2.14(2).</b> New table.	
	C403.2.15 Walk-in coolers, walk-in freezers, refrigeration	ted_
	warehouse coolers and refrigerated warehouse freeze	ers.
	New section.	
	C403.2.16 Walk-in coolers and walk-in freezers. New	
	section.	
	C403.2.17 Refrigerated display cases. New section.	
	C403.3 Economizer (Prescriptive). Section rewritten.	C403.3 Heating and cooling equipment efficiencies (Mandatory). Relocated rewritten section inserted along with associated sub-sections.

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	C403.3.1.3 Integrated economizer controlSection	
	rewritten.	
	C403.3.4 Water-side enconomizers. New section.	
	C403.4 Hydronic and multiple-zone HVAC systems	C403.4 Heating and cooling system controls
	controls and equipment (Prescriptive). New section.	(Mandatory). Relocated rewritten section inserted along
		with associated sub-sections.
	C403.5 Refrigeration systems. New section.	C403.5 Economizers (Prescriptive). Relocated rewritten
		section inserted along with associated sub-sections.
		C403.6 Requirements for mechanical systems serving
		multiple zones. Relocated rewritten section inserted
		along with associated sub-sections.
		C403.7 Ventilation and exhaust systems. Relocated
		rewritten section inserted along with associated sub-
		sections.
		C403.8 Fans and fan controls. Relocated rewritten
		section inserted along with associated sub-sections.
		C403.9 Heat rejection equipment. Relocated rewritten
		section inserted along with associated sub-sections.
		C403.10 Refrigeration equipment performance.
		Relocated rewritten section inserted along with
		associated sub-sections.
		C403.11 Construction of HVAC system elements. New
		section.
		C403.12 Mechanical systems located outside of the
		building thermal envelope (Mandatory). New section.
		C404.3 Heat traps for hot water storage tanks. Water-
		heating equipment not supplied with integral heat traps
		and serving noncirculating systems shall be provided with
		heat traps on the supply and discharge piping associated
		with the equipment. Storage tank-type water heaters and

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		hot water storage tanks that have vertical water pipes
		connecting to the inlet and outlet of the tank and shall be
		provided with integral heat traps at those inlets and
		outlets or shall have pipe-configured heat traps in the
		piping connected to those inlets and outlets. Tank inlets
		and outlets associated with solar water heating system
		circulation loops shall not be required to have heat traps.
	C404.4 Insulation of piping. Section.	
	C404.5 Efficient heated water supply piping. Section.	
	C404.6 Heated-water circulating and temperature	
	maintenance system. Section.	
	C404.7 Demand recirculation controls. Section.	
	C404.8 Drain water heat recovery units. Section.	
	C404.9 Energy consumption of pools and permanent	
	spas (Mandatory). Section.	
		C404.9.3 Covers.
		<b>Exception:</b> Where more than 70 75 percent of the energy
		fir heating, computed over an operating season, of not
		fewer than 3 calendar months, is from site-recovered
		energy such as from a heat pump or solar energy source,
		on-site renewable energy system, cover or other vapor-
		retardant means shall not be required.
	C404.10 Energy consumption of portable spas	
	(Mandatory). Section.	
	C404.11 Service water-heating system commissioning	
	and completion requirements. Section.	
		C405.1 General (Mandatory). This section covers lighting
		system controls, the maximum lighting power for interior
		and exterior applications and electrical energy
		consumption.

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		Exception: Dwelling units within commercial buildings
		shall not be required to comply with Sections C405.2
		through C405.5, provided that they comply with Section
		R404.1.
		Dwelling units within multifamily buildings shall comply
		with Section R404.1. All other dwelling units shall comply
		with Section R404.1, or with Sections C405.2.4 and
		C405.3. Sleeping units shall comply with Section 405.2.5
		and with Section R404.1 or C405.3. Walk-in coolers, walk-
		in freezers, refrigerated warehouse coolers and
		refrigerated warehouse freezers shall comply with
		Section C403.2.15 or C403.2.16 C403.10.1 or C403.10.2.
	C405.2 Lighting controls (Mandatory). Section rewritten.	C405.2 Lighting controls (Mandatory). Section rewritten.
	C405.2.1 Occupant sensor controls. Section rewritten.	
	C405.2.2 Time-switch controls. Section rewritten.	
	C405.2.3 Daylight-responsive controls. Section rewritten.	C405.2.3 Daylight-responsive controls.
		Exception 4. New exception.
		C405.2.3.3 Toplit zone.
		2. Where the fenestration is located in a rooftop monitor,
		the toplit zone shall extend laterally to the nearest
		obstruction that is taller than 0,7 times the ceiling height,
		or up to 1.0 times the height from the floor to the bottom
		of the fenestration, whichever is less, and longitudinally
		from the edge of the fenestration to the nearest
		obstruction that is taller than 0.7 times the ceiling height,
		or up to 0.25 times the height from the floor to the
		bottom of the fenestration, whichever is less, as indicated
		in Figures C405.2.3.3(2) and C405.2.3.3(3).
		<b>C405.2.4 Specific application controls.</b> Section rewritten.
		C405.2.5 Manual controls. New section inserted.

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	C405.2.5 Exterior lighting control. Section rewritten.	C405.2.5 6 Exterior lighting control. Section renumber
		and rewritten, including sub-sections.
		<b>C405.3.1 Total connected interior lighting power.</b> Section rewritten.
	C405.5.1 Total connected interior lighting power.	
	Exception 15. Exit signs	
	C405.2.2.1 Additional interior lighting power. New	
	section.	
		C405.4.1 Total connected exterior building exterior
		lighting power. Section renumbered and rewritten.
		C405.4.2 Exterior lighting power allowance. New section.
		C405.4.2.1 Additional exterior lighting power. New
		section.
		C405.4.3 Gas lighting (Mandatory). New section.
	C405.6 Electrical energy consumption (Mandatory). Nev	<u>/</u>
	section.	
	C405.7 Electrical transformer (Mandatory). New	
	sections.	
	C405.8 Electrical motors (Mandatory). New sections.	C405.8 7 Electrical motors (Mandatory). Renumbered.
		<b>Exceptions:</b> The standards in this section shall not apply
		to the following exempt electric motors:

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		1. Air-over electric motors.
		2. Component sets of an electric motor.
		3. <u>Liquid-cooled electric motors.</u>
		4. <u>Submersible electric motors.</u>
		5. <u>Inverter- only electric motors</u>
		C405.8.2 Escalators and moving walks.
		<b>Exception:</b> A variable voltage drive system that reduces
		operating voltage in response to light loading conditions
		is an alternative to the reduced speed function.
	C405.9 Vertical and horizontal transportation systems	
	and equipment. New section.	
	TABLE C405.7. New table.	
	TABLE C405.8(1) through TABLE C405.8(4). New tables.	
	<b>C406.1 Requirements.</b> Buildings shall comply with at least	C406.1 Requirements. Buildings shall comply with at least
	one of the following;	one of the following;
	1. Efficient HVAC Performance in accordance with	<ol> <li>More efficient HVAC performance with Section</li> </ol>
	Section C406.2. More efficient HVAC performance	406.2.
	with Section 406.2.	<ol> <li>Reduced lighting power density system in</li> </ol>
	<ol><li>Efficient Lighting System Reduced lighting power</li></ol>	accordance with Section C406.3.
	density system in accordance with Section C406.3.	3. Enhanced lighting controls in accordance with
	3. Enhanced lighting controls in accordance with	Section C406.4.
	Section C406.4.	<u>4.</u> On-site supply of renewable energy in accordance
	<ol> <li>On-site Supply of Renewable Energy-supply of</li> </ol>	with Section C406.4.
	renewable energy in accordance with Section	<u>5.</u> Provision of a dedicated outdoor air system for
	C406.4.	certain HVAC equipment in accordance with
	5. Provision of a dedicated outdoor air system for	Section C406.6.
	certain HVAC equipment in accordance with	6. High-efficiency service eater heating in
	Section C406.6.	accordance with Section C406.7.
	6. High-efficiency service eater heating in accordance	7. Enhanced envelope performance in accordance
	with Section C406.7.	with Section C406.8

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	Individual tenant spaces shall comply with either Section	8. Reduced air infiltration in accordance with Section
	C406.2 or Section C406.3 unless documentation can be	<u>C406.9.</u>
	provided that demonstrates compliance with Section	
	C406.4 for the entire building.	
	C406.1.1 Individual tenant spaces. Tenant spaces shall	C406.1.1 Individual tenant spaces. Tenant spaces shall
	comply with either-Section C406.2, C406.3, C406.4,	comply with Section C406.2, C406.3, C406.4, C406.6 or
	C406.6 or 406.7. Alternatively, tenant spaces shall comply	406.7. Alternatively, tenant spaces shall comply with
	with Section C406.5 where the entire building is in	Section C406.5 where the entire building is in compliance.
	compliance. unless documentation can be provided that	<b>Exception:</b> Previously occupied tenant spaces that comply
	demonstrates compliance with Section C406.4 for the	with this code in accordance with Section C501.
	entire building <u>.</u>	
	C406.2 More efficient HVAC equipment performance.	
	Equipment shall meet exceed the minimum efficiency	
	requirements of TablesC406.2(1) through aC406.2(7) by	
	10 percent, in addition to the requirements in Section	
	C403. Where multiple performance requirements are	
	provided, the equipment shall exceed all requirements by	
	10 percent. Variable refrigerant flow systems shall exceed	
	the energy efficiency provisions of ANIS/ASHRAE/IES 90.1	
	by 10 percent. This section shall only be sued where the	
	equipment efficiencies Equipment not listed in Tables	
	TablesC406.2(1) through aC406.2(7) shall be limited to 10	
	percent of the total building system capacity. are greater	
	than the equipment efficiencies listed in Table	
	C403.2.3(1) through C403.2.3(7) for the equipment type.	
	C406.3.1 Reduced lighting power density. The total	
	interior lighting power (watt) of the building shall be	
	determined by using 90 percent of the reduced whole	
	building interior lighting power allowances calculated by	

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	the Space-by-Space Method in Section C405.4.2. Table	
	C406.3 times the floor area for the building types.	
	C406.4 Enhanced digital lighting controls. New section.	
	C406.6 Dedicated outdoor air system. New section.	
		C406.8 Enhanced envelope performance. New section.
		C406.9 Reduced air infiltration. New section.
		C407.1 Scope.
		<b>Exception:</b> Energy used to recharge or refuel vehicles that
		are used for on-road and off-site transportation purposes.
		C407.3 Performance-based compliance. Compliance
		based on total building performance requires that a
		proposed building (proposed design) be shown to have an
		annual energy cost that is less than or equal to the annual
		energy cost of the standard reference design. Energy
		prices shall be taken from a source approved by the code
		official, such as Department of Energy, Energy
		Information Administration's State Energy Price and
		Expenditure Report. Code officials shall be permitted to
		require time-of-use pricing in energy cost calculations.
		Nondepletable energy collected on site shall be omitted
		from the annual energy cost of the proposed design. The
		reduction in energy cost of the proposed design
		associated with on-site renewable energy shall be not
		more than 5 percent of the total energy cost. The amount
		of renewable energy purchased from off-site sources shall
		be the same in the standard reference design and the
		proposed design.
		C407.4.2 Additional documentation. 6. Documentation
		of the reduction in energy use associated with on-site
		renewable energy.

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		C407.5.2.3 Multifamily residential buildings Group R-2
		occupancy buildings.
	C407.6.3 Exceptional calculation methods. New section.	
		C408.1.1 Building operations and maintenance
		<u>information.</u> New section inserted.
C408.2 Mechanical systems commissioning and	C408.2 Mechanical systems and service water-heating	
completion requirements. Prior to passing the final	systems commissioning and completion requirements.	
mechanical inspection, the registered design	Prior to passing the final mechanical and plumbing	
professional shall provide evidence of mechanical	inspection, the registered design professional shall	
systems commissioning and completion in accordance	provide evidence of mechanical systems commissioning	
with the provisions of this section.	and completion in accordance with the provisions of this	
A properly licensed contractor that is the designer and	section.	
has prepared the mechanical or plumbing drawing for	Construction document notes shall clearly indicate	
the project may perform the commissioning as	provisions for commissioning and completion	
required in C408.2.1 and C408.2.4 of this code. The	requirement in accordance with this section and are	
contractor shall be required to carry insurance in the	permitted to refer to specifications for further	
form of Professional Liability or Error and Omissions	requirements. Copies of all documents shall be given to	
<u>Insurance.</u>	the owner <u>or owner's authorized representative</u> and	
Construction document notes shall clearly indicate	made available to the code official upon request in	
provisions for commissioning and completion	accordance with sections C408.2.4 and C408.2.5.	
requirement in accordance with this section and are	<b>Exceptions:</b> The following systems are exempt from	
permitted to refer to specifications for further	commissioning requirements:	
requirements. Copies of all documents shall be given	<ol> <li>Mechanical <u>systems and service water heater</u></li> </ol>	
to the owner and made available to the code official	systems in buildings where the total mechanical	
upon request in accordance with sections C408.2.4 and	equipment capacity is less than 480,000 Btu/h	
C408.2.5.	(140 690 W) cooling capacity and 600,000 Btu/h	
<b>Exceptions:</b> The following systems are exempt from	(175 860 W) <u>combined service water-heating and</u>	
commissioning requirements:	space-heating capacity.	
1. Mechanical systems in buildings where the		
total me		

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<ol> <li>mechanical equipment capacity is less than 480,000 Btu/h (140 690 W) cooling capacity and 600,000 Btu/h (175 860 W) heating capacity.</li> <li>Systems included in section C403.3 that serve dwelling units and sleeping units in hotels, motels, boarding houses or similar units.</li> </ol>	Systems included in section C403.3 that serve individual dwelling units and sleeping units in hotels, motels, boarding houses or similar units.	
		C408.2.4 Preliminary commissioning report.
		<b>4.</b> Results of functional performance tests.
		5. <u>Functional performance test procedures used</u> during to commissioning process, including measurable criteria for test acceptance.
C408.2.5 Documentation requirements. The construction documents shall specify that the documents described in this section be provided to the building owner within 90 days of the date of and the Building Official prior to receipt of the Certification of occupancy	C408.2.5 Documentation requirements. See C408.3.2	
	C408.3.1.1 Occupant sensor controls. New section.	
	C408.3.1.2 Time-switch controls. New section.	
	C408.3.1.3 Daylight responsive controls. New section.	
	C408.3.2 Documentation requirements. The construction	
	documents shall specify that documents certifying that	
	the installed lighting controls meet documented	
	performance criteria of Section C405 are to be provided	
	to the building owner within 90 days from the date of	
	receipt of the certificate of occupancy.	
		C408.3.2.1 Drawings. New section.
		C408.3.2.2 Manuals. New section.
		C408.3.2.3 Report. New section.

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	CHAPTER 5 EXISTING BUILDINGS. New chapter added.	CHAPTER 5 EXISTING BUILDINGS
		C503.2 Change in space conditioning.
		Exceptions:
		1. Where the component performance alternative in
		Section C402.1.5 is used to comply with this
		section, the proposed UA shall not be greater than
		110 percent of the target UA.
		2. Where the total building performance option in
		Section C407 is used to comply with this section,
		the annual energy cost of the proposed design
		shall be not greater than 110 percent of the
		annual energy cost otherwise permitted by
		Section C407.3.
		C503.3 Building envelope:
		<b>Exception:</b> Where the existing building exceeds the
		fenestration area limitations of Section C402.1 prior to
		alteration, the building is exempt from Section C402.4.1
		provided that there is not an increase in fenestration
		area.
		<b>C505.1 General.</b> Spaces undergoing a change in
		occupancy that would result in an increase in demand for
		either fossil fuel or electrical energy shall comply with this
		code. Where the use in a space changes from one use in
		Table C405.4.2(1) or C405.4.2(2) to another use in Table
		C405.4.2(1) or C405.4.2(2), the installed lighting wattage
		shall comply with Section C405.4.
<b>Chapter 5 Referenced Standards:</b> UMC-2012 and UPC-2012 added to referenced standards.	Chapter <u>56</u> Referenced Standards: <u>UMC-2012</u> and <u>UPC-2012</u> added to referenced standards.	Chapter <u>56</u> Referenced Standards: <del>UMC-2012 and UPC-2012 added to referenced standards.</del>
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R102.1.1 Above code programs. The code official or	R102.1.1 Above code programs. The code official or	
other authority having jurisdiction shall be permitted	other authority having jurisdiction shall be permitted to	
to deem a national, state or local energy efficiency	deem a national, state or local energy efficiency program	
program to exceed the energy efficiency required by	to exceed the energy efficiency required by this code.	
this code. Programs seeking approval must submit all	Programs seeking approval must submit all requested	
requested supporting documentation, including	supporting documentation, including program guidelines,	
program guidelines, protocols, calculations and	protocols, calculations and program simulation	
program simulation Operformance software, if	Operformance software, if applicable, the NNICC and/or	
applicable, the NNICC and/or jurisdictions for review	jurisdictions for review for use as acceptable software.	
for use as acceptable software. Buildings approved in	Buildings approved in writing by such an energy efficiency	
writing by such an energy efficiency program shall be	program shall be considered in compliance with this code.	
considered in compliance with this code. The	The requirements identified as "mandatory" in Chapter 4	
requirements identified as "mandatory" in Chapter 4	shall be met.	
shall be met.		
	R103.2.1 Building thermal envelope depiction. New	
	section.	
	R103.3 Examination of documents. The code official shall	
	examine or cause to be examined the accompanying	
	construction documents and shall ascertain whether the	
	construction indicated and described is in accordance	
	with the requirements of this code and other pertinent	
	laws or ordinances. The code official is authorized to	
	utilize a registered design professional, or other approved	
	entity not affiliated with the building, design or	
	construction, in conducting the review of the plans and	
	specifications for compliance with the code.	
	R104.2 Required inspections. Inserted new section.	
		R202 AIR-IMPERMEABLE INSULATION. New definition.
	R202 CIRCULATING HOT WATER SYSTEM. New definition.	
	R202 CONTINUOUS INSULATION. New definition.	

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	R202 ERI REFERENCE DESIGN. New definition.	
	R202 HISTORIC BUILDING. New definition.	
	R202 INSULATED SIDING. New definition.	
	R202 RATED DESIGN. New definition.	
	R202 REROOFING. New definition.	
	ROOF RECOVER. New definition.	
	ROOF REPAIR. New definition.	
	ROOF REPLACEMENT. New definition.	
	VERTICAL FENESTRATION. New definition.	
	R301.4 Tropical climate zone. New section.	
	R303.1.3 Fenestration product rating.	
	Exception: Where required, garage door U-factors shall	
	be determined in accordance with NFRC 100.	
	R303.1.4.1 Insulated siding. New section.	
	R401.2.1 Tropical zone. New section inserted.	
R401.3 Certificate (Mandatory). A permanent	R401.3 Certificate (Mandatory). A permanent certificate	
certificate The builder shall provide the owner a	shall be completed and posted on a wall in the space	
certificate shall be completed and posted on or near	where the furnace is located, a utility room or an	
the electrical distribution panel by the builder or	approved location inside of the building. or near the	
registered design professional approved by the	electrical distribution panel by the builder or registered	
<u>jurisdiction</u> . The certificate shall not cover or obstruct	design professional approved by the jurisdiction. Where	
the visibility of the circuit directory label, service	located on an electrical panel, the certificate shall not	
disconnect label or other labels. The certificate shall	cover or obstruct the visibility of the circuit directory	
list the predominant R-values of insulation installed in	label, service disconnect label or other labels. The	
or on ceiling/roof, walls, foundation (slab, basement	certificate shall list the predominant R-values of	
wall, crawlspace wall and/or floor) and ducts outside	insulation installed in or on ceiling/roof, walls, foundation	
of conditioned spaces; U-factors for fenestration and	(slab, basement wall, crawlspace wall and/or floor) and	

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solar heat gain coeffivient (SHGC) of fenestration, and the result from any required duct system and building envelope air leakage testing done on the building. Where there is more than one value for each component, the certificate shall list the value for the largest area. The certificate shall list the types and efficiencies of heating, cooling and service water heating equipment. Where a gas fired unvented room heater, electric furnace, or baseboard electric heater is installed in the residence, the certificate shall list "gas fired unvented room heater," "electric furnace" or "baseboard electric heater," as appropriate. An efficiency shall not be listed for gas fires unvented room heaters, electric furnaces or electric baseboard	ducts outside of conditioned spaces; U-factors for fenestration and solar heat gain coeffivient (SHGC) of fenestration, and the result from any required duct system and building envelope air leakage testing done on the building. Where there is more than one value for each component, the certificate shall list the value for the largest area. The certificate shall list the types and efficiencies of heating, cooling and service water heating equipment. Where a gas fired unvented room heater, electric furnace, or baseboard electric heater is installed in the residence, the certificate shall list "gas fired unvented room heater," "electric furnace" or "baseboard electric heater," as appropriate. An efficiency shall not be listed for gas fires unvented room heaters, electric	
<del>heaters.</del>	furnaces or electric baseboard heaters.	
	R402.1 General (Prescriptive)  Exception: The following low-energy buildings, or portions thereof, separated from the remainder of the building by building thermal envelope assemblies complying with this section shall be exempt from the building thermal envelope provisions of Section R402.  1. Those s=with a peak design rate of energy usage less than 3.4 Btu/h * ft² (10.7 W/m²) or 1.0 watt/ft² of the floor area for space-conditioning purposes.  2. The that do not contain conditioned spaces.	<ol> <li>R402.1 General (Prescriptive)</li> <li>Exception:         <ol> <li>The following low-energy buildings, or portions thereof, separated from the remainder of the building by building thermal envelope assemblies complying with this section shall be exempt from the building thermal envelope provisions of Section R402.</li> </ol> </li> <li>1.1 Those s=with a peak design rate of energy usage less than 3.4 Btu/h * ft² (10.7 W/m²) or 1.0 watt/ft² of the floor area for space-conditioning purposes.</li> <li>1.2 The that do not contain conditioned spaces.</li> <li>Log homes designed I accordance with ICC 400.</li> </ol>
	R402.1.1 Vapor retarder. New section.	

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	R402.2.4 Access hatches and doors.		
	<b>Exception:</b> Vertical doors that provide	de access from	
	conditioned to unconditioned space	s shall be permitted	
	to meet the fenestration requiremen	nts of Table R402.1.2	
	based upon the applicable climate zo	one specified in	
	<u>Chapter 3.</u>		
	R402.2.5 Mass walls. Mass walls for	the purposes of this	
	chapter shall be considered above-g	rade walls of	
	concrete block, concrete, insulated of	concrete form (ICF),	
	masonry cavity, brick (other than bri	,,	
	(adobe, compressed earth block, ran	nmed earth) and solid	
	timber/logs, or any other walls having	ng a heat capacity	
	greater than or equal to 6 Btu/ft <sup>2</sup> x <sup>0</sup>	F (123 kJ/m <sup>2</sup> x K).	
	R402.2.7 Walls with partial structur	al sheathing. Inserted	
	new section.		
	R402.2.8 Floors.		
	<b>Exception:</b> The floor framing-cavity i		
	permitted to be in contact with the t	opside of sheathing	
	or continuous insulation installed on		
	floor framing where combined with		
	or exceeds the minimum wood fram		
	Table 402.1.2 and that extends from		
	top of all perimeter floor framing me		
	R402.3.2 Glazed fenestration SHGC.		
	average of fenestration products mo	·	
	glazed shall be permitted to satisfy t	he SHGC	
	requirements.		
	Dynamic glazing shall be permitted t		
	requirements of Table R402.1.2 prov		
	higher to lower labeled SG+HGC is gi	reater than or equal	

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	to 2.4, and the dynamic glazing is automatically controlled	
	to modulate the amount of solar gain into the space in	
	multiple steps. Dynamic glazing shall be considered	
	separately from other fenestration, and are-weighted	
	averaging with other fenestration that is not dynamic	
	glazing shall not be permitted.	
	<b>Exception:</b> Dynamic glazing is not required to comply with	
	this section when both the lower and higher labeled	
	SHGC already comply with the requirements of Table	
	R402.1.2.	
R402.4.1.2 Testing. The building or dwelling unit shall	R402.4.1.2 Testing. The building or dwelling unit shall be	
be tested and verified as having an air leakage rate not	tested and verified as having an air leakage rate not	
exceeding 5 air changes per hour in Climate Zones 1	exceeding 5 air changes per hour in Climate Zones 1 and 2	
and 2, and 3 air changes per hour in Climate Zones 4	, and 3 air changes per hour in Climate Zones 4 through 8.	
through 8. Testing shall be conducted with a blower	Testing shall be conducted in accordance with ASTM E	
door at a pressure of 0.2 inches w.g. (50 Pascal's).	779 or ASTM E 1827 and reported with a blower door at a	
Where required by the code official, testing shall be	pressure of 0.2 inches w.g. (50 Pascal's). Where required	
conducted by an approved third party. A written	by the code official, testing shall be conducted by an	
report of the results of the test shall be signed by the	approved third party. A written report of the results of	
party conducting the test and provided to the code	the test shall be signed by the party conducting the test	
official. Testing shall be performed at any time after	and provided to the code official. Testing shall be	
creation of all penetrations of the building thermal	performed at any time after creation of all penetrations	
envelope.	of the building thermal envelope.	
During testing:	During testing:	
<ol> <li>Exterior windows and doors, fireplace and</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Exterior windows and doors, fireplace and stove</li> </ol>	
stove doors shall be closed but not sealed,	doors shall be closed but not sealed, beyond the	
beyond the intended weather-stripping or	intended weather-stripping or other infiltration	
other infiltration control measures;	control measures.	
2. Dampers including exhaust, intake, makeup air,	<ol><li>Dampers including exhaust, intake, makeup air,</li></ol>	
backdraft and flue dampers shall be closed, but	backdraft and flue dampers shall be closed, but	

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not sealed beyond intended infiltration control measures;  3. Interior doors, if installed at the time of test, shall be open;  4. Exterior doors for continuous ventilation systems and heat recovery ventilators shall be closed and sealed;  5. Heating and cooling systems, if installed at the time of test, shall be turned off; and supply and return registers, if installed at the time of test, shall be fully open.	not sealed beyond intended infiltration control measures.  3. Interior doors, if installed at the time of test, shall be open.  4. Exterior doors for continuous ventilation systems and heat recovery ventilators shall be closed and sealed.  5. Heating and cooling systems, if installed at the time of test, shall be turned off.; and supply and return registers, if installed at the time of test, shall be fully open.  upply and return registers, if installed at the time	
	of test, shall be fully open.	
	R402.4.2 Fireplaces. New wood-burning fireplaces shall have tight-fitting flue dampers and outdoor combustion air. Where using tight-fitting doors on factory-built fireplaces listed and labeled in accordance with UL 127, the doors shall be tested and listed for the fireplace.  Where using tight-fitting doors on masonry fireplaces, the doors shall be listed and labeled in accordance with UL 907.	
	R402.4.4 Rooms containing fuel-burning appliances.	
	New section inserted.	
	TABLE R402.1.1. New table.	
	R403.2 Hot water boiler outdoor temperature setback.  New section inserted.	
	R403.3 Ducts. Section rewritten.	
R403.3.2 Sealing (Mandatory). Ducts air handlers and	R403.3.2 Sealing (Mandatory). Ducts air handlers and	
filter boxes shall be sealed. Joints and seams shall	filter boxes shall be sealed. Joints and seams shall comply	

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comply with either the International Mechanical Code	with either the International Mechanical Code or	
or International Residential Code, as applicable.	International Residential Code, as applicable.	
Exceptions:	Exceptions:	
1. Air-impermeable spray foam products shall be	1. Air-impermeable spray foam products shall be	
permitted to be applied without additional	permitted to be applied without additional joint	
joint seals.	seals.	
2. Where a duct connection is made that is	2. For ducts having a static pressure classification of	
partially inaccessible, three screws or rivets	less the 2 inches of water column (500 pa),	
shall be equally spaced on the exposed portion	additional closure systems shall not be required	
of the joint so as to prevent a hinge effect.	for continuously welded joints and seams, and	
<ol><li>Continuously welded and locking type</li></ol>	locking -type joints and seams of other than the	
longitudinal joints and seams in ducts operating	snap-lock and button-lock types. Where a duct	
at static pressures less the 2 inches of water	connection is made that is partially inaccessible,	
column (500 pa) pressure classification shall	three screws or rivets shall be equally spaced on	
not require additional closure systems.	the exposed portion of the joint so as to prevent a	
	<del>hinge effect.</del>	
Duct tightness shall be verified by either of the	3. Continuously welded and locking type longitudinal	
following:	joints and seams in ducts operating at static	
1. Postconstruction test: Total leakage shall be	pressures less the 2 inches of water column (500	
less than or equal to 4 cfm (113.3 L/min) 6 cfm	<del>pa) pressure classification shall not require</del>	
(169.9 L/Min) of Total leakage to outside shall	<del>additional closure systems.</del>	
be less than or equal to 4 cfm (113.3 L/Min) per		
100 square feet (9.29 m <sup>2</sup> ) of conditioned floor	Duct tightness shall be verified by either of the following:	
area when tested at a pressure differential of	1. Postconstruction test: Total leakage shall be less	
0.1 inches w.g. (25 Pa) across the entire system,	than or equal to 4 cfm (113.3 L/min) 6 cfm (169.9	
including the manufacturer's air handling	<u>L/Min) of Total leakage to outside shall be less</u>	
enclosure. All register boots shall be taped or	than or equal to 4 cfm (113.3 L/Min) per 100	
otherwise sealed during the test.	square feet (9.29 m²) of conditioned floor area	
2. Rough-in test: Total leakage shall be less than	when tested at a pressure differential of 0.1	
or equal to 4 cfm (113.3 L/min) 6 cfm (169.9	inches w.g. (25 Pa) across the entire system,	

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L/Min) per 100 square feet (9.29 m²) of conditioned floor area when tested at a pressure differential of 0.1 inches w.g. (25 Pa) across the entire system, including the manufacturer's air handler enclosure. All register boots shall be taped or otherwise sealed during the test. If the air handler is not installed at the time of the test, total leakage shall be less than or equal to 3 cfm (85 L/min) 5 cfm (141.6 L/Min) per 100 square feet (9.29 m²) of the conditioned floor area.  Exception: The total leakage test is not required for ducts and air handlers located entirely within the building thermal envelope.	including the manufacturer's air handling enclosure. All register boots shall be taped or otherwise sealed during the test.  2. Rough in test: Total leakage shall be less than or equal to 4 cfm (113.3 L/min) 6 cfm (169.9 L/Min) per 100 square feet (9.29 m²) of conditioned floor area when tested at a pressure differential of 0.1 inches w.g. (25 Pa) across the entire system, including the manufacturer's air handler enclosure. All register boots shall be taped or otherwise sealed during the test. If the air handler is not installed at the time of the test, total leakage shall be less than or equal to 3 cfm (85 L/min) 5 cfm (141.6 L/Min) per 100 square feet (9.29 m²) of the conditioned floor area.  Exception: The total leakage test is not required for ducts	
	and air handlers located entirely within the building thermal envelope.	
	thermal chycrope:	<ul> <li>R403.3.3 Duct testing.</li> <li>Exceptions: <ol> <li>A duct air-leakage test shall not be required where the ducts and air handlers are located entirely within the building thermal envelope.</li> <li>A duct air-leakage test shall not be required for ducts serving heat or energy recovery ventilators that are not integrated with ducts serving heating or cooling systems.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
		R403.3.6 Ducts buried within ceiling insulation. New section.

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		R403.3.6.1 Effective R-value of deeply buried ducts. New
		section.
		R403.3.7 Ducts located in conditioned spaces. New
		section
	R403.4 Mechanical system piping insulation. Section	
	rewritten.	
	<b>R403.5 Service hot water systems.</b> Section rewritten.	
	R403.7 Equipment sizing and efficiency rating	
	(Mandatory). Section rewritten.	
	R403.8 Systems serving multiple dwelling units	
	(Mandatory). Section rewritten.	
	R403.9 Snow melt and ice system controls (Mandatory).	
	Section rewritten.	
		R403.10.3 Covers.
		<b>Exception:</b> Where more than 70 75 percent of the energy
		for heating, computed over an operation season of not
		less than three calendar months, is from site-recovered
		energy, such as a heat pump or solar energy source,
		covers or other vapor-retardant means shall not be
		required.
	R403.11 Portable spas (Mandatory). New section.	
	R403.12 Residential pools and permanent residential	
	spas (Mandatory). New section.	
Section R403.5 Mechanical ventilation (Mandatory).		
The building (dwelling) shall be provided with		
ventilation that meets <u>one of</u> the f <u>ollowing</u>		
requirements: of the International Residential Code or		
International Mechanical Code , as applicable, or with		
<del>other</del>		

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Mechanical ventilation rate shall provide		
outdoor air as calculated using the following		
formula: $[0.01 \times CFA + 7.5 \times (N_{br} + 1)]$ where CFA		
<u>= conditioned floor area, N<sub>br</sub>= number of</u>		
<u>bedrooms;</u>		
2. <u>Minimum outdoor air ventilation rate may be</u>		
achieved using 2102 IRC Table M1507.3.3(1); or		
3. Other approved means of ventilation using		
<u>ASHRAE 62.2-2013.</u>		
The mechanical system shall have a readily accessible		
on-off control switch allowing control of the		
mechanical system. Utilization of outside air		
temperature sensors, carbon dioxide sensors, humidity		
sensors, motion sensors or similar interment controls		
to activate the outside air mechanical equipment is		
permitted. Outdoor air intakes and exhausts shall have		
automatic or gravity dampers that close when the		
ventilation system is not working.		
		R404.1 Lighting equipment (Mandatory). Not less than
		75 90 percent of the lamps in permanently installed
		lighting fixtures shall be high-efficacy lamps or not less
		than 75 percent of the permanently installed lighting
		fixtures shall contain only high-efficacy lamps.
		Exception: Low voltage lighting.
	R405.4.2 Compliance report. Section rewritten.	
	R405.4.2.1 Compliance report for permit application.	
	New section.	
	R405.4.2.2 Compliance report for certificate of	
	occupancy. New section.	

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	SECTION R406 ENERGY RATING INDEX COMPLIANCE	
	ALTERNATIVE. New section.	
<b>R406.1 Scope.</b> This section establishes criteria for	<b>R406.1 Scope.</b> This section establishes criteria for	
compliance using an Energy Rating Index (ERI) analysis.	compliance using an Energy Rating Index (ERI) analysis.	
R406.2 Mandatory requirements. Compliance with	R406.2 Mandatory requirements. Compliance with this	
this section requires that the mandatory provisions	section requires that the mandatory provisions identified	
identified in Sections R401.2 and R403.5.3 be met. The	in Sections R401.2 and R403.5.3 be met. The building	
building thermal envelope shall be greater than or	thermal envelope shall be greater than or equal to levels	
equal to levels of efficiency and Solar Heat Gain	of efficiency and Solar Heat Gain Coefficient in Table	
Coefficient in Table 402.1.2 or 402.1.4 of the 2009	402.1.2 or 402.1.4 of the 2009 International Energy	
International Energy Conservation Code.	Conservation Code.	
Exception: Supply and return ducts not completely	<b>Exception:</b> Supply and return ducts not completely inside	
inside the building thermal envelope shall be insulated	the building thermal envelope shall be insulated to a	
to a minimum of R-6.	minimum of R-6.	
R406.3 Energy Rating Index. The Energy Rating Index	R406.3 Energy Rating Index. The Energy Rating Index	
(ERI) shall be a numerical integer value that is based on	(ERI) shall be a numerical integer value that is based on a	
a linear scale constructed such that the ERI reference	linear scale constructed such that the ERI reference	
design has an Index value of 100 and a residential that	design has an Index value of 100 and a residential that	
uses no net purchased energy has an Index value of 0.	uses no net purchased energy has an Index value of 0.	
Each integer value on the scale shall represent a 1-	Each integer value on the scale shall represent a 1-	
percent change in the total energy use of the rated	percent change in the total energy use of the rated design	
design relative to the total energy use of the ERI	relative to the total energy use of the ERI reference	
reference design. The ERI shall consider all energy used	design. The ERI shall consider all energy used in the	
in the residential building.	residential building.	
R406.3.1 ERI reference design. The ERI reference	<b>R406.3.1 ERI reference design.</b> The ERI reference design	
design shall be configured such that it meets the	shall be configured such that it meets the minimum	
minimum requirements of the 2006 International	requirements of the 2006 International Energy	
Energy Conservation Code prescriptive requirements.	Conservation Code prescriptive requirements.	

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The proposed residential building shall be shown to	The proposed residential building shall be shown to have	
have an annual total normalized modified load less	an annual total normalized modified load less than or	
than or equal to the annual total loads of the ERI	equal to the annual total loads of the ERI reference	
reference design.	design.	
R406.4 ERI-based compliance. Compliance based upon	R406.4 ERI-based compliance. Compliance based upon an	
an ERI analysis requires that the rated design be shown	ERI analysis requires that the rated design be shown to	
to have an ERI less than or equal to 63.	have an ERI less than or equal to the appropriate value	
	listed in Table R406.4 when compared to the ERI	
	reference design. 63.	
<b>R406.5 Verification by approved agency.</b> Verification	R406.5 Verification by approved agency. Verification of	
of compliance with Section R406 shall be completed by	compliance with Section R406 shall be completed by an	
an approved third party.	approved third party.	
	TABLE R406.4. New table.	
R406.6 Documentation. Documentation of the	<b>R406.6 Documentation.</b> Documentation of the software	
software used to determine the ERI and the	used to determine the ERI and the parameters for the	
parameters for the residential building shall be in	residential building shall be in accordance with Sections	
accordance with Sections R406.6.1 through R406.6.3.	R406.6.1 through R406.6.3.	
R406.6.1 Compliance software tools. Documentation	R406.6.1 Compliance software tools. Documentation	R406.6.1 Compliance software tools. Documentation
verifying that the methods and accuracy of the	verifying that the methods and accuracy of the	verifying that the methods and accuracy of the
compliance software tools conform to the provisions	compliance software tools conform to the provisions of	compliance software tools conform to the provisions of
of this section shall be provided to the code official.	this section shall be provided to the code official.	this section shall be provided to the code official.
		Software tools used for determining ERI shall be
		Approved Software Rating Tool in accordance with
		RESNET/ICC 301.
R406.6.2 Compliance report. Compliance software	<b>R406.6.2 Compliance report.</b> Compliance software tool	
tool shall generate a report that documents that the	shall generate a report that documents that the ERI of the	
ERI of the rated design complies with Sections R406.3	rated design complies with Sections R406.3 and R406.4.	
and R406.4. The compliance documentation shall	The compliance documentation shall include the	
include the following information:	following information:	

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1. Address or other identification of the	1. Address or other identification of the residential	
residential building.	building.	
2. An inspection checklist documenting the	2. An inspection checklist documenting the building	
building component characteristics of the rated	component characteristics of the rated design.	
design. The inspection checklist shall show	The inspection checklist shall show results for both	
results for both the ERI reference design. The	the ERI reference design. The inspection checklist	
inspection checklist shall show results for both	shall show results for both the ERI reference	
the ERI reference design and the rated design	design and the rated design and shall document all	
and shall document all inputs entered by the	inputs entered by the user necessary to reproduce	
user necessary to reproduce the results.	the results.	
3. <u>Name of individual completing the compliance</u>	3. Name of individual completing the compliance	
report.	report.	
4. Name and version of the compliance software	4. Name and version of the compliance software	
tool.	tool.	
<b>Exception:</b> Multiple orientations. Where an otherwise	<b>Exception:</b> Multiple orientations. Where an otherwise	
identical building model is offered in multiple	identical building model is offered in multiple	
orientations, compliance for any orientation shall be	orientations, compliance for any orientation shall be	
permitted by documenting that the building meets the	permitted by documenting that the building meets the	
performance requirements in each of the four (north,	performance requirements in each of the four (north,	
east, south and west) cardinal orientations.	east, south and west) cardinal orientations.	
R406.6.3 Additional documentation. The code official	R406.6.3 Additional documentation. The code official	
shall be permitted to require the following documents:	shall be permitted to require the following documents:	
Documentation of the building component	Documentation of the building component	
characteristic of the ERI reference design.	characteristic of the ERI reference design.	
A certification signed by the builder providing	2. A certification signed by the builder providing the	
the building component characteristics of the	building component characteristics of the rated	
rated design.	design.	
3. Documentation of the actual values used in the	3. Documentation of the actual values used in the	
software calculations for the rated design.	software calculations for the rated design	

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		R406.6.4 Specific approval. New section.
		R406.6.5 Input values. New section.
R406.7 Calculation software tools. Calculation	<b>R406.7 Calculation software tools.</b> Calculation software,	
software, where used, shall be in accordance with	where used, shall be in accordance with Sections R406.7.1	
Sections R406.7.1 through R407.7.3.	through R407.7.3.	
R406.7.1 Minimum capabilities. Calculation	R406.7.1 Minimum capabilities. Calculation procedures	
procedures used to comply with this section shall be	used to comply with this section shall be software tools	
software tools capable of calculating the ERI as	capable of calculating the ERI as described in Section	
described in Section R406.3, and shall include the	R406.3, and shall include the following capabilities:	
following capabilities:	<ol> <li>Computer generation of the ERI reference design</li> </ol>	
<ol> <li>Computer generation of the ERI reference</li> </ol>	using only the input for the rated design. The	
design using only the input for the rated design.	calculation procedure shall not allow the user to	
The calculation procedure shall not allow the	directly modify the building component	
user to directly modify the building component	characteristics of the ERI reference design.	
characteristics of the ERI reference design.	2. Calculation of the while building as a single zone,	
2. Calculation of the while building as a single	sizing the heating and cooling equipment in the	
zone, sizing the heating and cooling equipment	ERI reference design residence in accordance with	
in the ERI reference design residence in	Section R403.7.	
accordance with Section R403.7.	3. Calculations that account for the effects of indoor	
3. Calculations that account for the effects of	and outdoor temperatures and part-load ratios on	
indoor and outdoor temperatures and part-	the performance of heating, ventilating and air-	
load ratios on the performance of heating,	conditioning equipment based on climate and	
ventilating and air-conditioning equipment	equipment sizing.	
based on climate and equipment sizing.	Printed code official inspection checklist listing each of	
4. Printed code official inspection checklist listing	the rated design component characteristics determined	
each of the rated design component	by the analysis to provide compliance, along with their	
characteristics determined by the analysis to	respective performance ratings.	
provide compliance, along with their respective		
performance ratings.		

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<b>R406.7.2 Specific approval.</b> Performance analysis tools	R406.7.2 Specific approval. Performance analysis tools	
meeting the applicable sections of Section R406 shall	meeting the applicable sections of Section R406 shall be	
be approved. Tools are permitted to be approved	approved. Tools are permitted to be approved based	
based upon meeting a specified threshold for a	upon meeting a specified threshold for a jurisdiction. The	
jurisdiction. The code official shall approve tools for a	code official shall approve tools for a specified application	
specified application or limited scope.	or limited scope.	
R406.7.3 Input values. When calculations require input	R406.7.3 Input values. When calculations require input	
values not specified by Sections R402, R403, R404 and	values not specified by Sections R402, R403, R404 and	
R405, those input values shall be taken from an	R405, those input values shall be taken from an approved	
approved source.	source.	
	CHAPTER 5 EXISTING BUILDINGS. New chapter added.	
Chapter 5 Referenced Standards: UMC-2012 and UPC-	Chapter 5 6 Referenced Standards: UMC-2012 and UPC-	Chapter 6 Referenced Standards: UMC-2012 and UPC-
2012 added to referenced standards.	<del>2012 added to referenced standards</del>	<del>2012 added to referenced standards</del>
	APPENDIX RA RECOMMENDED PROCEDURE FOR	APPENDIX RA RECOMMENDED PROCEDURE FOR
	WORST-CASE TESTING OF ATMOSPHERIC VENTING	WORST-CASE TESTING OF ATMOSPHERIC VENTING
	SYSTEMS UNDER R402.4 OR R405 CONDITIONS < 5 EACH.	SYSTEMS UNDER R402.4 OR R405 CONDITIONS < 5 EACH.
	New Appendix added.	New Appendix added
	APPENDIX PROVISIONS- DETACHED ONE- AND TWO-	APPENDIX PROVISIONS- DETACHED ONE- AND TWO-
	FAMILY DWELLINGS, MULTIPLE SINGLE-FAMILY	FAMILY DWELLINGS, MULTIPLE SINGLE-FAMILY
	<b>DWELLINGS (TOWNHOUSES).</b> New Appendix added.	DWELLINGS (TOWNHOUSES).