



Historic Code Adoption Dates

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Below is a historical summary of the technical code adoptions by the City Council over the past seven decades. Each ordinance contains the local amendments for Austin. The ordinances listed below can be found on the City of Austin website under the Public Records tab or go directly to the search page at: <http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/edims/search.cfm>

All buildings/structures in Austin are required to be maintained to the standards that were in place when the building/structure was constructed originally. To determine which standards, apply, consider the following criteria:

1. The effective date of the ordinance
2. The “in date” on the plan review folder or the building permit if a PR folder doesn’t exist

RESIDENTIAL CODE			
Code Type	Passed & Approved	Ordinance #	Effective Date
CABO 1986	Jan 28, 1988	880128-N	Feb 7, 1988
CABO 1986	Apr 6, 1989	(890406-M)	Apr 16, 1989
CABO 1992	Nov 12, 1992	921112-B	Feb 10, 1993
CABO 1995	Sept 12, 1996	960912 - I	Dec 11, 1996
CABO 1995	Apr 6, 2000	000406-077	Apr 17, 2000
IRC 2000	Apr 24, 2003	20030424-066	May 5, 2003
IRC 2006	Oct 18, 2007	20071018-089	Jan 1, 2008
IRC 2006 (amended)	Mar 27, 2008	20080327-060	Apr 7, 2008
IRC 2006 (amended)	Jun 18, 2008	20080618-094	Jun 29, 2008
IRC 2006 (amended)	Jun 24, 2010	20100624-144	Oct 1, 2010
COA Remodel	Jun 24, 2010	20100624-149	Jul 5, 2010
IRC 2012	Jun 6, 2013	20130606-055	Sept 16, 2013
IRC 2012 (amended)	Jan 30, 2014	20140130-021	Feb 10, 2014
IRC 2015	Apr 6, 2017	20170406-048	Jul 5, 2017
IRC 2021	Jun 3, 2021	20210603-054	Sept 1, 2021
Prior to 4-24-2003, the CABO One- and Two-Family Dwelling Code were adopted as part of the Building Code.			

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE			
Code Type	Passed & Approved	Ordinance #	Effective Date
IPMC 2009	Apr 8, 2010	20100408-052	Jan 1, 2010
IPMC 2012	Sept 26, 2013	20130926-145	Jan 1, 2014
IPMC 2015	Oct 12, 2017	20171012-SPEC001	Apr 1, 2018
IPMC 2021	Jun 3, 2021	20210603-060	Sept 1, 2021

PLUMBING CODE ADOPTION DATES			
Code Type	Passed & Approved	Ordinance #	Effective Date
UPC 1973	Aug 8, 22, 1974	740822-C	Nov 30, 1974
UPC 1976	Jun 29, 1978	780629-E	Jul 9, 1978
UPC 1979	Sept 11, 1981	800911-C	Sept 21, 1981
UPC 1982	Nov 10, 1983	831110-C	Nov 20, 1983
UPC 1985	Jan 14, 1988	880114-J	Jan 24, 1988
UPC 1988	Jan 4, 1990	900104-K	Jan 14, 1990
UPC 1991	Oct 22, 1992	921022-I	Jan 20, 1993
UPC 1997	Feb 5, 1998	980205-P	Apr 7, 1998
UPC 1997 (amended)	Sept 28, 2000	000928-106	Oct 9, 2000
UPC 2003	Dec 15, 2005	20051215-108	Dec 31, 2005
UPC 2003 (amended)	Oct 18, 2007	20071018-086	Jan 1, 2008
UPC 2009	Jun 24, 2010	20100624-146	Oct 1, 2010
UPC 2009 (amended)	Oct 20, 2011	20111020-090	Oct 31, 2011
UPC 2012	Jun 6, 2013	20130606-093	Jun 17, 2013
UPC 2015	Jun 15, 2017	20170615-104	Sept 6, 2017
UPC 2021	Jun 3, 2021	20210603-057	Sept 1, 2021

MECHANICAL CODE ADOPTION DATES			
Code Type	Passed & Approved	Ordinance #	Effective Date
UMC 1973	Aug 22, 1974	740822-B	Nov 30, 1974
UMC 1976	Jun 29, 1978	780629-D	Jul 9, 1978
UMC 1979	Sept 11, 1980	800911-A	Sept 21, 1980
UMC 1982	Nov 10, 1983	831110-B	Nov 20, 1983
UMC 1985	Jan 14, 1988	880114-I	Jan 24, 1988

UMC 1988	Jan 4, 1990	900104-M	Jan 14, 1990
UMC 1991	Oct 22, 1992	921022-H	Jan 20, 1993
UMC 1997	Feb 5, 1998	980205-0	Apr 7, 1998
UMC 2003	Dec 15, 2005	20051215-107	Dec 31, 2005
UMC 2009	Jun 24, 2010	20100624-145	Oct 1, 2010
UMC 2009 (amended)	Oct 20, 2011	20111020-088	Oct 31, 2011
UMC 2012	Jun 6, 2013	20130606-090	Sept 16, 2013
UMC 2015	Jun 8, 2017	20170608-056	Sept 6, 2017
UMC 2021	Jun 3, 2021	20210603-058	Sept 1, 2021

BUILDING CODE ADOPTION DATES			
Code Type	Passed & Approved	Ordinance #	Effective Date
COA 1931	Apr 30, 1931	310430-5	Immediately
COA 1964	Apr 29, 1965	650429-C	Immediately
UBC 1970	Dec 21, 1971	711221-J	Immediately
UBC 1973	Nov 9, 1976	(761109-E)	Immediately
UBC 1976	Jun 29, 1978	(780629-F)	Jul 9, 1978
UBC 1979	Sept 11, 1980	(800911-B)	Sept 21, 1980
UBC 1982	Nov 10, 1983	(831110-A)	Nov 20, 1983
UBC 1985	Jan 28, 1988	(880128-N)	Feb 7, 1988
UBC 1988	Apr 6, 1989	(890406-M)	Apr 16, 1989
UBC 1991	Nov 12, 1992	921112-B	Feb 10, 1993
UBC 1994	Sept 12, 1996	960912 - I	Dec 11, 1996
UBC 1994	Apr 6, 2000	000406-077	Apr 17, 2000
IBC 2003	Dec 15, 2005	20051215-106	Dec 31, 2005
IBC 2009	Jun 24, 2010	20100624-143	Oct 1, 2010
IBC 2012	Jun 6, 2013	20130606-089	Sept 16, 2013
IBC 2015	Oct 12, 2017	20170928-096	Jan 1, 2018
IBC 2021	Jun 3, 2021	20210603-059	Sept 1, 2021

ELECTRICAL CODE ADOPTION DATES			
Code Type	Passed & Approved	Ordinance #	Effective Date

COA 1960	Aug 4, 1960	600804-B	Aug 4, 1960
COA 1967	Dec 21, 1971	711221-I	Jan 1, 1972
NEC 1975	Nov 4, 1976	761104-B	Immediately
NEC 1978	Jan 11, 1979	790111-H	Jan 21, 1979
NEC 1978	Jan 29, 1981	810129-D	Feb 8, 1981
NEC 1981	May 20, 1982	820520-A	June 19, 1982
NEC 1987	Feb 18, 1988	880218-J	Feb 28, 1988
NEC 1990	May 30, 1991	910530-G	Aug 28, 1991
NEC 1993	Sept 29, 1994	940929-P	Jan 1, 1995
NEC 1999	Sept 28, 2000	000928-107	Oct 31, 2000
NEC 2002	Aug 28, 2003	030828-064	Oct 27, 2003
NEC 2005	Dec 15, 2005	20051215-109	Dec 31, 2005
NEC - 2008	Mar 5, 2009	20090305-047	Mar 16, 2009
NEC - 2011	Oct 20, 2011	20111020-089	Feb 1, 2012
NEC - 2011 (amended)	Jun 6, 2013	20130606-056	Sept 16, 2013
NEC - 2014	Dec 11, 2014	20141211-199	Dec 22, 2014
NEC -2017	Sept 28, 2017	20170928-094	Jan 1, 2018
NEC- 2020	May 7, 2020	20200507-027	Sept 1, 2020

FIRE CODE ADOPTION DATES			
Code Type	Passed & Approved	Ordinance #	Effective Date
UFC 1973	Aug 22, 1974	740822-E	Immediately
UFC 1976	Jul 6, 1978	780706-B	Jul 16, 1978
UFC 1979	Sept 11, 1980	800911-D	Sept 21, 1980
UFC 1982	Nov 10, 1983	831110-D	Nov 20, 1983
UFC 1982	Nov 10, 1983	831110-S	Nov 20, 1983
UFC 1985	Feb 18, 1988	880218-K	Feb 28, 1988
UFC 1988	Apr 6, 1989	890406-A	Apr 16, 1989
UFC 1991	Oct 1, 1992	921001-L	Oct 11, 1992
UFC 1994	Sept 12, 1996	960912-H	Dec 11, 1996
UFC 1997	Apr 6, 2000	200000406-078	Apr 17, 2000
IFC 2003	Dec 15, 2005	20051215-105	Dec 31, 2005

IFC 2009	Jun 24, 2010	20100624-142	Oct 1, 2010
IFC 2012	Jun 6, 2013	20130606-092	Sept 16, 2013
IFC 2015	Dec 7, 2017	20171207-098	Jan 7, 2018
IFC 2021	Jun 3, 2021	20210603-056	Sept 1, 2021

SOLAR CODE ADOPTION DATES			
Code Type	Passed & Approved	Ordinance #	Effective Date
USEC 1984	Mar 21, 1985	850321-I	Jan 1986
USEC 1987	Jan 14, 1988	880114-K	Jan 24, 1988
USEC 1988	Jan 4, 1990	900104-J	Jan 14, 1990
USEC 2006	Oct 18, 2007	20071018-087	Jan 1, 2008

ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE			
Code Type	Passed & Approved	Ordinance #	Effective Date
IECC 2000	Nov 29, 2001	20011129-078	Dec 10, 2001
IECC 2006	Oct 18, 2007	20071018-088	Jan 1, 2008
IECC 2009	Apr 8, 2010	20100408-051	Apr 19, 2010
IECC 2012	Jun 6, 2013	20130606-091	Sept 16, 2013
IECC 2015	Jun 23, 2016	20160623-099	Sept 1, 2016
IECC 2015	Jun 15, 2017	20170615-100	Oct 1, 2017
IECC 2021	Jun 3, 2021	20210603-055	Sept 1, 2021
Prior to 2001, the Model Energy Code was adopted as part of the Building Code.			

WILDLAND – URBAN INTERFACE CODE			
Code Type	Passed & Approved	Ordinance #	Effective Date
IWUIC	April 9, 2020	20200409-040	January 1, 2021

Technical Code Acronyms

UBC- Uniform Building Code

UFC- Uniform Fire Code

UPC- Uniform Plumbing Code

UMC- Uniform Mechanical Code

CABO- Council of American Building Officials (One- & Two-Family Dwelling Code)

IBC- International Building Code

IFC- International Fire Code
IRC- International Residential Code
IEBC - International Existing Building Code
IPMC - International Property Maintenance Code
NEC - National Electrical Code
IECC - International Energy Conservation Code
USEC – Uniform Solar Energy Code
IWUIC- International Wildland-Urban Interface Code