



2021 South Carolina Code Adoptions

On October 6, 2021, the South Carolina Building Codes Council adopted the latest editions of the mandatory codes and appendices with modifications, as referenced in S.C. Code Ann. §6-9-50 (1976, as amended), to be enforced by all municipalities and counties in South Carolina. The Council established the implementation date for local jurisdictions as **January 1, 2023**.

The adopted modifications and the mandatory codes are as follows:

2021 South Carolina Building Code or the 2021 International Building Code with SC modifications
2021 South Carolina Residential Code or the 2021 International Residential Code with SC modifications
2021 South Carolina Fire Code or the 2021 International Fire Code with SC modifications
2021 South Carolina Plumbing Code or the 2021 International Plumbing Code with SC modifications
2021 South Carolina Mechanical Code or the 2021 International Mechanical Code with SC modifications
2021 South Carolina Fuel Gas Code or the 2021 International Fuel Gas Code with SC modifications
2009 South Carolina Energy Conservation Code
2020 National Electrical Code (NFPA 70) with SC modifications

Print and PDF download versions of the 2021 South Carolina codes are available for pre-order from the [ICC website](#).

The International Codes are to be used in conjunction with the latest [code modifications](#) approved by the Council. Only the modifications approved and listed on the Council's website are valid for use in the State. Building code modifications that have not been approved by the Council are invalid and cannot be adopted, employed or enforced by municipalities and counties.

The latest edition of ICC/ANSI A117.1, Accessible and Useable Buildings and Facilities, is adopted by the [Accessibility Act](#), S.C. Code Ann. § 10-5-210 et seq., and is mandatory for use in all municipalities and counties within the State.

The Building [Energy Standard Act](#) is adopted by statute and mandatory for use in all jurisdictions within the state.

Additional information can be found on the South Carolina Building Codes Council's [website](#).