



Georgia State Amendments to the International Building Code (2012 Edition)



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**GEORGIA STATE MINIMUM STANDARD BUILDING CODE
(INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE WITH GEORGIA STATE AMENDMENTS)**

The INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE, 2012 Edition, published by the International Code Council, when used in conjunction with these and any other Georgia State Amendments to the INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE, 2012 Edition, shall constitute the official *Georgia State Minimum Standard Building Code*.

GEORGIA STATE AMENDMENTS

CODE REFERENCE:

- (a) Replace all references to the ICC *Electrical Code* with references to the *Georgia State Minimum Standard Electrical Code (National Electrical Code with Georgia State Amendments)*.
- (b) Replace all references to the *International Energy Conservation Code (IECC)* with references to the *Georgia State Minimum Standard Energy Code (IECC) with Georgia State Supplements and Amendments*. The *Georgia State Minimum Standard Energy Code* shall be used for efficiency and coefficient of performance ratings of equipment.

APPENDICES:

Appendices are not enforceable unless they are specifically referenced in the body of the code or adopted by the Department of Community Affairs or the Authority Having Jurisdiction.

SCOPE:

The provisions of the *Georgia State Minimum Standard Building Code* shall apply to the construction, *alteration*, relocation, enlargement, replacement, *repair*, equipment, use and occupancy, location, maintenance, removal and demolition of every building or structure or any appurtenances connected or attached to such buildings or structures.

Exception #1: Detached one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses separated by a 2-hour fire-resistance-rated wall assembly, not more than three *stories* above *grade plane* in height with a separate *means of egress* and their accessory structures shall comply with the *Georgia State Minimum Standard One and Two Family Dwelling Code (International Residential Code for One- and Two-Family Dwellings with Georgia State Amendments)*.

Exception #2: The following table titled 'Codes Reference Guide' establishes specific primary and supplementary code applications and is to be applied by the authority having jurisdiction.

CODES REFERENCE GUIDE

Area	Primary	Supplement
Occupancy Classification	LSC	IBC
Building Construction Types including allowable height, allowable building areas, and the requirements for sprinkler protection related to minimum building construction types.	IBC	LSC
Means of Egress	LSC	NONE
Standpipes	IBC	IFC
Interior Finish	LSC	NONE
HVAC Systems	IMC	NONE
Vertical Openings	LSC	NONE
Sprinkler Systems minimum construction standard	LSC	NONE
Fire Alarm Systems	LSC	NONE
Smoke Alarms and Smoke Detection Systems	State Statute and LSC	NONE
Portable Fire Extinguishers	IFC	NONE
Cooking Equipment	LSC and NFPA 96	NONE
Fuel Fired Appliances	IFGC	NFPA 54
Liquid Petroleum Gas	NFPA 58	NFPA 54
Compressed Natural Gas	NFPA 52	NONE

**Revise the International Building Code, 2012 Edition, as follows:*

**CHAPTER 30
ELEVATORS AND CONVEYING SYSTEMS**

**SECTION 3006
MACHINE ROOMS**

**Delete Section 3006.4 ‘Machine rooms and machinery spaces’ and substitute to read:*

3006.4 Machine rooms and machinery spaces. Elevator machine rooms and machinery spaces shall be enclosed with *fire barriers* constructed in accordance with Section 707 or *horizontal assemblies* constructed in accordance with Section 711, or both. The *fire-resistance rating* shall be not less than two hours. Openings in the *fire barriers* shall be protected with assemblies having a *fire protection rating* not less than that required for the hoistway enclosure doors.

Exception:

Where machine rooms and machinery spaces do not meet the required *fire-resistance rating*, they shall require sprinklers and shunt trip breaker in accordance with NFPA 72.
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End of Amendments.