

Building Regulation Bylaw No. 7230, Amendment Bylaw No. 10365 (Energy Step Code requirements)

The Council of the City of Richmond, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. Building Regulation Bylaw No. 7230, as amended, is further amended by replacing the table in Section 10.1.1 with the following table:

Buildings subject to Part 9 of the Building Code				
Building Type	Building permit application filed on or after September 1, 2018	Building permit application filed on or after December 15, 2020	Building permit application filed on or after July 1, 2022	
Townhomes and apartments	Step 3	Step 3 OR Step 2 for buildings that implement a low carbon building energy system.	Step 5 OR Step 4 for buildings	
			that comply with the building envelope performance requirement using absolute metrics OR	
Single family, duplex and other dwelling units	Step 1		Step 3 for buildings that comply with the building envelope performance requirement using absolute metrics, and that implement a low carbon building energy system.	

Buildings subject to Part 3 of the Building Code				
Building Type	Building permit application filed on or after September 1, 2018	Building permit application filed on or after December 15, 2020	Building permit application filed on or after July 1, 2022	
Hotels and Motels	n.a.	Step 3 OR Step 2 for buildings that implement a low carbon building energy system.	Step 3 OR Step 2 for buildings that implement a low carbon building energy system.	
Other Group C Residential occupancies greater than 6 stories or non-combustible construction (not including hotel and motel occupancies)	Step 3 OR Step 2 for buildings that implement a low carbon building energy system.		Step 3 OR Step 2 for buildings that implement a low carbon building energy system.	
Other Group C Residential occupancies 6 stories or less and combustible construction (not including hotel and motel occupancies)	Step 3		Step 4 OR Step 3 for buildings that implement a low carbon building energy system.	
Group D Business and personal services occupancies or Group E mercantile occupancies	Step 2		Step 3 OR Step 2 for buildings that implement a low carbon building energy system.	

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2. Building Regulation Bylaw No. 7230, as amended, is further amended at Section 16.1 by adding the following definitions in alphabetical order:

ABSOLUTE METRICS

means:

- a) the thermal energy demand intensity listed under the "Performance Requirement of Building Envelope" column of Table 9.36.6.3.A in the British Columbia Building Code, or
- b) the thermal energy demand intensity requirement calculated using the formula in Sentence 4 of Section 9.36.6.3 in the British Columbia Building Code.

BUILDING ENERGY USE

means the total modelled annual energy requirements of an occupied building, including space heating, cooling, hot water heating, ventilation, appliances and electrical plug loads.

BUILDING ENVELOPE PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENT

means the requirements listed under the "Performance Requirement of Building Envelope" column of Table 9.36.6.3.A in the British Columbia Building Code.

3. Building Regulation Bylaw No. 7230, as amended, is further amended at Section 16.1 by removing the definition of "Low Carbon Building Energy System" and replacing it with: