



O-1-24 Legislative Summary

City Building Code Updates

O-38-23 updates the City building codes as recommended by the Code of Maryland Regulations, known as COMAR, and required through updated Maryland statutes.

Local amendments are included, integrating the model codes into the City Code. Specific sections are modified to best fit Annapolis's local needs.

The following table outlines each section changed to update Title 17 -- the Buildings and Construction portion of the City Code -- to comply with COMAR:

17.12.010 A.	Changes the date from 2018 to 2021 for the International Building Code
17.12.010 A. 3.	Corrects an error in the current code to point to the appropriate section of city code, making specific work exempt from permits.
17.12.010 A. 4.	The building code recognizes two new types of construction, and this change adds footnotes to the old and new additions to the code.
17.12.010 A. 4. K.	Specifies sections 504 and 506, which regulate building height and area, respectively. This was covered in just one table in a prior code version.
17.12.010 A. 5.	Changes the footnote designation from g to h due to additional text in the code.
17.12.010 A. 6.	Changes the specified table because the code renumbered the section.
17.12.010 A. 8.	Our amendment to the building code has not changed, but the ICC code wording changed where we are inserting this section.
17.12.010 A. 12.	The ICC code renumbered their text; this change matches our amendment to the new section.
17.12.018 A.	Changes the date from 2018 to 2021 for the International Energy Conservation Code.
17.12.020 A.	Changes the date from 2018 to 2021 for the International Residential Code
17.12.021 A.	Changes the date from 2018 to 2021 for the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code.
17.12.021 A. 3.	Corrects a mistake in city code and points to the correct section for work exempt from a permit.
17.12.021 A. 4.	The ICC code changed its section numbering; this strikes an administrative section.
17.12.024	Changes the date from 2018 to 2021 for the International Existing Building Code
17.14.040 C. 3.	Updates the Green Building standards to the 2020 edition
17.14.040 C. 4.	Provides a 202 version of Green Building standards to meet as an equivalency
17.18.020	Changes the date from 2018 to 2021 for the International Mechanical Code. Also, renumber where we insert this amendment to account for new numbering in the ICC code.



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17.24.040	Updates our adoption of the National Fuel Gas Code to the 2021 edition and the Liquefied Petroleum Gas Code to the 2020 edition.
17.24.250	Strikes the section of Plumbing Board duties. There is no such board, and the Building Board of Appeals will address these matters.
17.28.020	Changes the date from 2018 to 2021 for the International Plumbing Code.
17.28.040	Changes the date from 2018 to 2021 for the International Plumbing Code.
17.40.265 A.	Changes the date from 2018 to 2021 for the International Property Maintenance Code
17.40.265 A. 2	Strikes a section in the ICC code that creates an agency and inserts the responsibility as the code official on the director.