



THE HISTORY OF THE CITY OF PALM DESERT'S ADOPTION OF THE UNIFORM BUILDING CODES

Listed below are the different Uniform Building Codes which were in effect during the time frame shown.
This list includes the Uniform Mechanical, Plumbing, Fire, and National Electrical Codes.

Code Edition UBC, UMC, UPC, NEC UFC	State of California Effective Date for Enforcement by Local Jurisdictions	Date Adopted by the City of Palm Desert	Adopted by Ordinance Number
1973	July 1, 1974	August 23, 1975 May 12, 1976	26 - UFC 118 - UBC
1975	-	January 22, 1976	101 - NEC
1976	July 1, 1978	September 8, 1977 February 9, 1978 February 23, 1978 May 11, 1978	167 - UFC 179 - UMC 181 - UPC 184 - UBC
1979	May 15, 1981	January 22, 1981 February 12, 1981 February 26, 1981	238 - UBC 242 - UMC 247 - UPC
1981	-	May 13, 1982	292 - NEC
1982	July 1, 1985	March 28, 1985 January 10, 1985 January 10, 1985	350 - UFC 409 - UBC 410 - UPC
1985	July 31, 1987	-	-
1988	January 1, 1990	-	-
1991- California Codes	July 1, 1992	-	-
1994 - California Codes	January 1, 1996	July 8, 1999	918 - UBC, UPC, UMC, NEC
1997 - California Codes	July 1, 1999	October 10, 2002	1023 - UBC, UPC, UMC, NEC
*2001 - California Codes	November 1, 2002	November 13, 2003	1054 - UFC
2007- California Codes	January 1, 2008	December 13, 2007 January 8, 2009	1145 , 1173 - UBC, UPC, UMC, UFC, NEC
2010 - California Codes	January 1, 2011	November 18, 2010	1217
2013 – California Codes	January 1, 2014	November 14, 2013	1265
2016 – California Codes	January 1, 2017	November 10, 2016	1310
2019 – California Codes	January 1, 2020	November 14, 2019	1351

* The State of California did not adopt the latest International Codes until the 2007 Edition of the California Building Code which was modeled after the 2006 Edition of the International Building Code.

Senate Bill 1221, which was enacted in 1911, regulated construction until 1914. From 1914 to 1916, the State Commission of Immigration and Housing regulated construction. The State of California did not begin making amendments to the Building Codes until 1979. The State Building Standards Commission was created in 1984.