

Summary of changes from 2009 IPMC to 2024 IPMC

SECTION	2009 IPMC	2024 IPMC	KEY CHANGES
Chapter 1: Administration	General provisions for scope, duties, and responsibilities of code officials.	General enforcement provisions with greater clarity in the code official's roles and responsibilities.	Provides enhanced code enforcement mechanisms.
Chapter 2: Definitions	Basic definitions for technical terms used in the code.	Expanded list of terms and clarified language.	New definitions are added to provide clearer guidelines for identifying hazardous and/or safe structures.
Chapter 3: General Requirements	Rules for premises conditions, sanitation, pest control, and space requirements.	More specific standards for maintenance responsibilities and safety conditions.	Accessibility and storm shelter terms added. Revised code sections on maintenance, handrails and guardrails.
Chapter 4: Light, Ventilation & Occupancy Limitations	Requirements for natural light, ventilation and occupancy limits.	Expanded minimum ceiling heights list.	Ceiling height exception added for one- and two-family dwellings, rooms occupied exclusively for bathrooms, toilet rooms and laundry rooms.
Chapter 5: Plumbing Facilities & Fixture Requirements	Standards for water supply, sewer connections, and fixture maintenance.	Streamlined content.	Language has been simplified for ease of understanding.
Chapter 6: Mechanical & Electrical Requirements	Requirements for HVAC systems, electrical installations, and safety.	Expanded elevator code requirements in buildings and addresses clothes dryer exhaust upkeep.	Adds code references for private residence elevators, general, hoistway enclosures, and hoistway opening protection and exhaust duct system maintenance.
Chapter 7: Fire Safety Requirements	Provisions for fire safety, emergency exits, and fire extinguishers.	Enhanced fire safety measures aligning with the IFC.	Adds smoke alarm replacement requirements.
Chapter 8: Referenced Standards	References to other standards like the IBC, IRC, and NEC.	Latest versions of referenced standards adopted.	Updated referenced standards to align with new building codes.