

# BUILDING NEWS

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## BUILDING CODE UPDATE

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The 2009 Edition of the following codes will tentatively become effective January 1, 2010.

International Residential Code, a complete construction code for one and two family dwellings and town homes (not more than three stories in height). Brings together all building, plumbing, mechanical, fuel gas, energy and electrical provisions.

For other structures:

International Building Code

International Energy Conservation Code

International Fuel Gas Code

International Mechanical Code

International Plumbing Code

\*\*2008 National Electrical Code

\*\*The 2008 edition of the National Electric Code (NEC) became effective across the State of Colorado on August 1, 2008 and will remain in effect with this code adoption.



## ONLINE PERMITTING

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The Division of Building Safety's online permitting system has been a great success with new applicants applying daily. Contractors and homeowners are able to apply for electrical, mechanical, plumbing and re-roofing permits over the internet.

To take advantage of this 24/7 service you will first need to register and a confidential password will be sent to a valid email address. Once registered, using your email address and password, a permit can be applied for, payment made by MasterCard or Visa.

Contact Ed Peck, 303-271-8258 or [epeck@jeffco.us](mailto:epeck@jeffco.us) to register.

## ONLINE INSPECTIONS

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Don't forget as part of the divisions expanded online capability, once registered for online permitting, you will be able to request and/or cancel inspections online. With this new service, online inspection requests made prior to 6:00 a.m. will be performed that work day! Online inspections can be scheduled for building, electrical, mechanical and plumbing.

Inspection progress can be followed at:

<http://jeffco.us/building>, click on Jeffco Permit Search and search by address, permit number/type or contractor. The information is updated three times a day - usually around 9:15 am, 3:15 pm and 6:00 pm.

Inspections requested via telephone must still be called in by 5:30 pm the day before the inspection.

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## CERTIFICATION

The Division of Building Safety staff continues to excel at becoming certified in a wide variety of categories offered by the International Code Council.

Certification represents a significant accomplishment that offers national recognition of achievement potential, proof of knowledge, technical expertise and commitment to protect public health, safety and welfare. ICC certification can be achieved in most categories by successful completion of one or more examinations.

Contractor exams are also available through the International Code Council. Testing sites are located throughout Colorado. More information is obtainable in the 2009 National Contractor Trades Examination Information Bulletin at: [www.iccsafe.org/contractor](http://www.iccsafe.org/contractor)

Types of contractor exams offered through the International Code Council are listed below.

Exam ID #	ICC Exam Category	Time	# of Questions	Reference Codes
614	Building Contractor A	4-Hour	90	2006 IBC
615	Building Contractor B	4-Hour	80	2006 IBC & IRC
616	Building Contractor C	4-Hour	80	2006 IRC
670	Mechanical A	4-Hour	100	2006 IFGC, IMC 2005 NEC
671	Mechanical B	3-Hour	50	2006 IFGC, IMC 2005 NEC
679	Mechanical C	3-Hour	70	2006 IRC
764	Roofing Contractor	3-Hour	60	2006 IBC & IPC

Contact the applicable building department for specific licensing requirements. Passing an ICC Contractor Exam is NOT a license to practice and does not guarantee that a local government will grant a license. To acquire a license to practice, you must apply to the specific building department and meet all of the local governments licensing requirements.

**We're on the Web**  
[www.jeffco.us/building](http://www.jeffco.us/building)