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## EXPRESS TERMS

### PREFACE

This document is Part 11 of the official compilation and publication of the adoptions, amendments and repeal of regulations to California Code of Regulations, Title 24, also referred to as the California Building Standards Code. This Part is known as the California Green Building Standards Code.

The California Legislature delegated authority to various State agencies, boards, commissions and departments to create building regulations to implement the state's statutes. These building regulations have the same force of law and take effect 180 days after their publication unless otherwise stipulated. The California Building Standards Code applies to all occupancies in the State of California as annotated.

A city, county or city and county may make necessary changes to the provisions contained in this code which are reasonably necessary because of local climatic, geological, or topographical conditions. Findings of the local condition(s) and the adopted local building standard(s) must be filed with the California Building Standards Commission to become effective and may not be effective sooner than the effective date of this edition of the California Building Standards Code. Building standards that were adopted by local ordinance and applicable to previous editions of the California Building Standards Code do not apply to this edition without appropriate adoption and the required filing.

### EFFECTIVE USE OF THIS CODE

This format of this code is common to other parts of the California Building Standards Code and contains building standards applicable to occupancies which fall under the authority of different state agencies. Occupancies and applications under the authority of a specific state agency are identified in Chapter 1, Sections 103 through 106. Sections of this code which are applicable and adopted by each state agency are identified in the Application Checklist for each state agency contained in Chapter 11. The following outline may be helpful as a guide to establish which provisions are applicable to a specific occupancy.

1. Establish the type of occupancy.
2. Verify which state agency has authority for the established occupancy by reviewing the authorities list in Sections 103 through 106.
3. Once the appropriate agency has been identified, find the application checklist for that agency in Chapter 11.
4. The application checklist will list the green building measures adopted, provide the effective date and other information regarding each green building measure applicable to the established occupancy.
5. Each green building measure listed in the application checklist has a section number which correlates with a section number in Chapters 4 through 8.
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<b>AC-DSA</b>	Division of the State Architect
<b>AC-OSHPD</b>	Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development
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## CHAPTER 1

### ADMINISTRATION

#### SECTION 101 GENERAL

**101.1 Title.** These regulations shall be known as the California Green Building Standards Code and may be cited as such and will be referred to herein as “this code.” The California Green Building Standards Code is Part 11 of twelve parts of the official compilation and publication of the adoption, amendment and repeal of building regulations to the California Code of Regulations, Title 24, also referred to as the California Building Standards Code.

**101.2 Purpose.** The purpose of this code is to improve public health, safety and general welfare by enhancing the design and construction of buildings through the use of building concepts having a positive environmental impact and encouraging sustainable construction practices in the following categories:

1. Planning and design.
2. Energy efficiency.
3. Water efficiency and conservation.
4. Material conservation and resource efficiency.
5. Environmental air quality.

**101.3 Scope.** The provisions of this code shall apply to the planning, design, operation, construction, replacement, use and occupancy, location, maintenance, removal and demolition of every building or structure or any appurtenances connected or attached to such building structures throughout the State of California.

**101.3.1 State-regulated buildings, structures and applications.** Provisions of this code shall apply to the following buildings, structures, and applications regulated by state agencies as referenced in the Matrix Adoption Tables and as specified in Sections 103 through 106, except where modified by local ordinance pursuant to Section 101.7. When adopted by a state agency, the provisions of this code shall be enforced by the appropriate enforcing agency, but only to the extent of authority granted to such agency by the State Legislature.

1. State-owned buildings, including buildings constructed by the Trustees of the California State University, and to the extent permitted by California laws, buildings designed and constructed by the Regents of the University of California and regulated by the Building Standards Commission. See Section 103 for additional scoping provisions.
2. Energy efficiency standards regulated by the California Energy Commission
3. Low-rise residential buildings constructed throughout the State of California, including but not limited to, hotels, motels, lodging houses, apartment houses, dwellings, dormitories, condominiums, shelters for homeless persons, congregate residences, employee housing, factory-built housing and other types of dwellings containing sleeping accommodations with common toilets or cooking facilities. See Section 104 for additional scoping provisions.
4. Public elementary and secondary schools, community college buildings and state-owned or state-leased essential service buildings regulated by the Division of the State Architect. See Section 105 for additional scoping provisions.
5. Qualified historical buildings and structures and their associated sites regulated by the State Historical Building Safety Board within the Division of the State Architect.
6. General acute care hospitals, acute psychiatric hospitals, skilled nursing and/or intermediate care facilities, clinics licensed by the Department of Public Health and correctional treatment centers regulated by the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development. See Section 106 for additional scoping provisions.
7. Graywater systems regulated by the Department of Water Resources.

**101.4 Appendices.** Provisions contained in the appendices of this code shall not apply unless specifically adopted by a state agency or adopted by a local enforcing agency in compliance with Health and Safety Code Section 18938 (b) for Building Standards Law, Health and Safety Code Section 17950 for State Housing Law and Health and Safety Code Section 13869.7 for Fire Protection Districts. See Section 101.7 of this code.

**101.5 Referenced codes and standards.** The codes and standards referenced elsewhere in this code shall be considered part of the requirements of this code to the prescribed extent of each such reference.

**101.5.1 Building.** The provisions of the California Building Code shall apply to the construction, alteration, movement, enlargement, replacement, repair, use and occupancy, location, maintenance, removal and demolition of every structure or any appurtenances connected or attached to such buildings or structures.

**101.5.2 Electrical.** The provisions of the California Electrical Code shall apply to the installation of electrical systems, including but not limited to, alterations, repair, replacement, equipment, appliances, fixtures, fittings and

appurtenances thereto.

**101.5.3 Mechanical.** The provisions of the California Mechanical Code shall apply to the installation, alterations, repair and replacement of mechanical systems, including equipment, appliances, fixtures, fittings and/or appurtenances, including ventilating, heating, cooling, air-conditioning and refrigeration systems, incinerators and other energy-related systems.

**101.5.4 Plumbing.** The provisions of the California Plumbing Code shall apply to the installation, alteration, repair and replacement of plumbing systems, including equipment, appliances, fixtures, fittings and appurtenances where connected to a water or sewage system.

**101.5.5 Fire prevention.** The provisions of CCR, Title 19, Division 1 and CCR, Title 24, Part 2 and Part 9 relating to fire and panic safety as adopted by the Office of the State Fire Marshal shall apply to all structures, processes and premises for protection from the hazard of fire, panic and explosion.

**101.5.6 Energy.** The provisions of the California Energy Code shall apply to the minimum design and construction of buildings for energy efficiency.

#### **101.6 Order of precedence and use.**

**101.6.1 Differences.** In the event of any differences between these building standards and the standard reference documents, the text of these building standards shall govern.

**101.6.2 Specific provision.** Where a specific provision varies from a general provision, the specific provision shall apply.

**101.6.3 Conflicts.** When the requirements of this code conflict with the requirements of any other part of the California Building Standards Code, Title 24, the most restrictive requirement shall prevail.

**101.7 City, county, or city and county amendments, additions or deletions.** This code does not limit the authority of city, county, or city and county governments to make necessary changes to the provisions contained in this code pursuant to Section 101.7.1. The effective date of amendments, additions, or deletions to this code of cities, counties, or city and counties filed pursuant to Section 101.8.1 shall be the date on which it is filed. However, in no case shall the amendments, additions or deletions to this code be effective any sooner than the effective date of this code.

Local modifications shall comply with Health and Safety Code Section 18941.5 (b) for Building Standards Law, Health and Safety Code Section 17958.5 for State Housing Law, or Health and Safety Code Section 13869.7 for Fire Protection Districts.

#### **101.7.1 Findings and filings.**

1. The city, county, or city and county shall make express findings for each amendment, addition or deletion based upon climatic, topographical, or geological conditions.
2. The city, county, or city and county shall file the amendments, additions, or deletions expressly marked and identified as to the applicable findings. Cities, counties, cities and counties, and fire departments shall file the amendments, additions or deletions and the findings with the California Building Standards Commission at 2525 Natomas Park Drive, Suite 130, Sacramento, CA 95833.
3. Findings prepared by fire protection districts shall be ratified by the local city, county, or city and county and filed with the California Department of Housing and Community Development at 1800 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Room 260, Sacramento, CA 95811.
4. The city, county, or city and county shall obtain California Energy Commission approval for any energy related ordinances consistent with PRC 25402.1(h)(2) and Title 24, Part 1, Section 10-106. Local governmental agencies may adopt and enforce energy standards for newly constructed buildings, additions, alterations, and repairs provided the California Energy Commission finds that the standards will require buildings to be designed to consume no more energy than permitted by Part 6. Such local standards include, but are not limited to adopting the requirements of Part 6 before their effective date, requiring additional energy conservation measures, or setting more stringent energy budgets.

**101.8 Alternate materials, designs and methods of construction.** The provisions of this code are not intended to prevent the use of any alternate material, appliance, installation, device, arrangement, method, design or method of construction not specifically prescribed by this code. Consideration and compliance provisions for occupancies regulated by adopting state agencies are found in the sections listed below.

1. Section 104.11, Appendix Chapter 1, 2007 California Building Code (CBC) for the California Building Standards Commission and the Division of the State Architect.
2. Section 108.7.2, CBC for the Department of Housing and Community Development.

3. Section 7-104, 2007 California Administrative Code for the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development.

**101.9 Effective date of this code.** Only those standards approved by the California Building Standards Commission that are effective at the time an application for a building permit is submitted shall apply to the plans and specifications for, and to the construction performed under, that permit. For the effective dates of the provisions contained in this code, see the appropriate application checklist in Chapter 11 of this code and the History Note page of this code.

**101.10 Mandatory requirements.** This code contains both optional and mandatory green building measures. Mandatory and optional measures are identified in the appropriate application checklist contained in Chapter 11 of this code.

**101.11 Effective use of this code.** The following steps shall be used to establish which provisions of this code are applicable to a specific occupancy:

1. Establish the type of occupancy.
2. Verify which state agency has authority for the established occupancy by reviewing the authorities list Sections 103 through 106.
3. Once the appropriate agency has been identified, find the application checklist for that agency in Chapter 11.
4. The application checklist will list the green building measures adopted, provide the effective date and other information regarding each green building measure applicable to the established occupancy.
5. Each green building measure listed in the application checklist has a section number which correlates with a section number in Chapters 4 through 8.
6. More information is available for each green building measure listed in the application checklist in the correlated sections contained in Chapters 4 through 8.

## **SECTION 102** **CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS AND INSTALLATION VERIFICATION**

**102.1 Submittal documents.** Construction documents and other data shall be submitted in one or more sets with each application for a permit. Where special conditions exist, the enforcing agency is authorized to require additional construction documents to be prepared by a licensed design professional.

**Exception:** The enforcing agency is authorized to waive the submission of construction documents and other data not required to be prepared by a licensed design professional.

**102.2 Information on construction documents.** Construction documents shall be of sufficient clarity to indicate the location, nature and scope of the proposed green building feature and show that it will conform to the provisions of this code, the California Building Standards Code and other relevant laws, ordinances, rules and regulations as determined by the enforcing agency.

**102.3 Verification.** Documentation of conformance for applicable green building measures shall be provided to the enforcing agency. Alternate methods of documentation shall be acceptable when the enforcing agency finds that the proposed alternate documentation is satisfactory to demonstrate substantial conformance with the intent of the proposed green building measure.

## **SECTION 103** **BUILDING STANDARDS COMMISSION**

**103.1** Specific scope of application of the agency responsible for enforcement, the enforcement agency, and the specific authority to adopt and enforce such provisions of this code, unless otherwise stated.

### **1. All occupancies.**

**Application** – State buildings (all occupancies), including buildings constructed by the Trustees of the California State University and the Regents of the University of California and all occupancies where no state agency has the authority to adopt building standards applicable to such buildings.

**Enforcing Agency** – State or local agency specified by the applicable provisions of law.

**Authority Cited** – Health and Safety Code Sections 18934.5 and 18938 (b).

**Reference** – Health and Safety Code, Division 13, Part 2.5, commencing with Section 18901.

### **2. University of California, California State Universities, and California Community Colleges.**

**Application** – Standards for lighting for parking lots and primary campus walkways at the University of California, California State Universities, and California Community Colleges.

**Enforcing Agency** – State or local agency specified by the applicable provisions of law.

**Authority Cited** – Government Code Section 14617.

[Reference – Government Code Section 14617.](#)

**[3. Existing State-Owned Buildings, including those owned by the University of California and by the California State University.](#)**

[Application – Building seismic retrofit standards including abating falling hazards of structural and nonstructural components and strengthening of building structures. See also Division of the State Architect.](#)

[Enforcing Agency – State or local agency specified by the applicable provisions of law.](#)

[Authority Cited – Government Code Section 16600.](#)

[Reference – Government Code Sections 16600 through 16604.](#)

**[4. Unreinforced Masonry Bearing Wall Buildings.](#)**

[Application – Minimum seismic strengthening standards for buildings specified in Appendix Chapter 1 of the California Code for Building Conservation, except for buildings subject to building standards adopted pursuant to Part 1.5 \(commencing with Section 17910\).](#)

[Enforcing Agency – State or local agency specified by the applicable provisions of law.](#)

[Authority Cited – Health and Safety Code Section 18934.6.](#)

[Reference – Health and Safety Code Sections 18901 through 18949.](#)

**SECTION 104**  
**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

[104.1 Specific scope of application of the agency responsible for enforcement, the enforcement agency, and the specific authority to adopt and enforce such provisions of this code, unless otherwise stated.](#)

[1. Housing construction.](#) Application – Hotels, motels, lodging houses, apartment houses, dwellings, dormitories, condominiums, shelters for homeless persons, congregate residences, employee housing, factory-built housing and other types of dwellings containing sleeping accommodations with or without common toilet or cooking facilities including accessory buildings, facilities and uses thereto. Sections of this code which pertain to applications listed in this section are identified in the Matrix Adoption Table using the abbreviation “HCD 1.”

[Enforcing agency—Local building department or the Department of Housing and Community Development.](#)

[Authority Cited—Health and Safety Code Sections 17921, 17922 and 19990.](#)

[Reference—Health and Safety Code Sections 17000 through 17060, 17910 through 17990 and 19960 through 19997.](#)

[Authority Cited—Health and Safety Code Sections 17921, 17922 and 19990.](#)

[Reference—Health and Safety Code Sections 17000 through 17060, 17910 through 17990 and 19960 through 19997.](#)

**SECTION 105**  
**DIVISION OF THE STATE ARCHITECT**

[105.1 Specific scope of application of the agency responsible for enforcement, the enforcement agency, and the specific authority to adopt and enforce such provisions of this code, unless otherwise stated](#)

[105.1.1 Application—The Division of the State Architect - Structural Safety \(DSA-SS\) is authorized by law to promulgate building standards and administrative regulations for application to public elementary and secondary schools, and community colleges.](#)

[Enforcing agency—The Division of the State Architect - Structural Safety \(DSA-SS\) has been delegated the responsibility and authority by the Department of General Services to review and approve the design and observe the construction of public elementary and secondary schools, and community colleges.](#)

[Authority cited—Education Code Sections 17310 and 81142.](#)

[Reference—Education Code Sections 17280 through 17317, and 81130 through 81147.](#)

**105.1.2 Applicable administrative standards.**

**1. Title 24, Part 1, California Code of Regulations:**

[Sections 4-301 through 4-355, Group 1, Chapter 4, for public elementary and secondary schools and community colleges.](#)

**2. Title 24, Part 2, California Code of Regulations:**

[2.1 Sections 101 and 109.2 of Chapter 1.](#)

[2.2 Sections 102.1, 102.2, 102.3, 102.4, 102.5, 104.9, 104.10 and 104.11 of Appendix Chapter 1.](#)

[105.1.3 Applicable building standards.](#) California Building Standards Code, Title 24, Parts 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9 and 12, California Code of Regulations, for school buildings, and community colleges.

Green building standards contained in Part 11, Title 24 are not adopted at this time for mandatory application to public schools and community colleges. DSA-SS will be proposing the adoption of green building standards into Part 11 of the 2010 edition Title 24 California Building Standards Code.

**SECTION 106**  
**OFFICE OF STATEWIDE HEALTH PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT**

**106.1 OSHPD 1.** Specific scope of application of the agency responsible for enforcement, enforcement agency and the specific authority to adopt and enforce such provisions of this code, unless otherwise stated.

**Application**—General acute care hospitals and acute psychiatric hospitals, excluding distinct part units or distinct part freestanding buildings providing skilled nursing or intermediate care services. For structural regulations: Skilled nursing facilities and/or intermediate care facilities except those skilled nursing facilities and intermediate care facilities of single-story, Type V, wood or light steel-frame construction.

**Enforcing agency**—Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD). The office shall enforce the Division of the State Architect—Access Compliance regulations and the regulations of the Office of the State Fire Marshal for the above stated facility types.

**106.1.1 Applicable administrative standards.**

1. Title 24, Part 1, California Code of Regulations: Chapters 6 and 7.
2. Title 24, Part 2, California Code of Regulations: Sections 101 and 110 of Chapter 1 and Appendix Chapter 1.

**106.1.2 Applicable building standards.** California Building Standards Code, Title 24, Parts 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, and 12.

**106.1.3 Identification of amendments.** For applications listed in Section 106.1, amendments appear in this code preceded with the acronym [OSHPD 1].

**Authority**—Health and Safety Code Sections 127010, 127015, 1275 and 129850.

**References**—Health and Safety Code Sections 19958, 127010, 127015, 129680, 1275 and 129675 through 130070.

**106.2 OSHPD 2.** Specific scope of application of the agency responsible for enforcement, enforcement agency and the specific authority to adopt and enforce such provisions of this code, unless otherwise stated.

**Application**—Skilled nursing facilities and intermediate care facilities, including distinct part skilled nursing and intermediate care services on a general acute care or acute psychiatric hospital license, provided either are in a separate unit or a freestanding building. For structural regulations: Single-story, Type V skilled nursing facility and/or intermediate care facilities utilizing wood or light steel-frame construction.

**Enforcing agency**—Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD). The office shall also enforce the Division of the State Architect—Access Compliance regulations and the regulations of the Office of the State Fire Marshal for the above-stated facility type.

**106.2.1 Applicable administrative standards.**

1. Title 24, Part 1, California Code of Regulations: Chapter 7.
2. Title 24, Part 2, California Code of Regulations: Sections 101 and 110 of Chapter 1 and Appendix Chapter 1.

**106.2.2 Applicable building standards.** California Building Standards Code, Title 24, Parts 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, and 12.

**106.2.3 Identification of amendments.** For applications listed in Section 106.2, amendments appear in this code preceded with the acronym [OSHPD 2].

**Authority**—Health and Safety Code Sections 127010, 127015, 1275 and 129850.

**References**—Health and Safety Code Sections 127010, 127015, 1275 and 129680.

**106.3 OSHPD 3.** Specific scope of application of the agency responsible for enforcement, enforcement agency and the specific authority to adopt and enforce such provisions of this code, unless otherwise stated.

**Application**—Licensed clinics and any freestanding building under a hospital license where outpatient clinical services are provided.

**Enforcing agency**—Local building department.

**106.3.1 Applicable administrative standards.**

1. Title 24, Part 1, California Code of Regulations: Chapter 7.
2. Title 24, Part 2, California Code of Regulations: Sections 101 and 110 of Chapter 1 and Appendix Chapter 1.

**106.3.2 Applicable building standards.** California Building Standards Code, Title 24, Parts 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, and 12.

**106.3.3 Identification of amendments.** For applications listed in Section 106.3, amendments appear in this code without the acronym [OSHPD 3].

**Authority**—Health and Safety Code Sections 127010, 127015 and 1226.

**References**—Health and Safety Code Sections 127010, 127015, 129885 and 1226, Government Code Section 54350 and State Constitution Article 11, Section 7.

**106.4 OSHPD 4.** Specific scope of application of the agency responsible for enforcement, enforcement agency and the specific authority to adopt and enforce such provisions of this code, unless otherwise stated.

**Application**—Correctional treatment centers.

**Enforcing agency**—Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD). The office shall also enforce the Division of the State Architect—Access Compliance regulations and the regulations of the Office of the State Fire Marshal for the above-stated facility types.

**106.4.1 Applicable administrative standards.**

1. Title 24, Part 1, California Code of Regulations: Chapter 7.

2. Title 24, Part 2, California Code of Regulations: Sections 101 and 110 of Chapter 1 and Appendix Chapter 1.

**106.4.2 Applicable building standards.** California Building Standards Code, Title 24, Parts 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, and 12.

**106.4.3 Identification of amendments.** For applications listed in Section 106.4, amendments appear in this code preceded with the acronym [OSHPD 4], unless the entire chapter is applicable.

**Authority**—Health and Safety Code Sections 127010, 127015 and 129790.

**References**—Health and Safety Code Sections 127010, 127015, 1275 and 129675 through 130070.

## CHAPTER 2

### DEFINITIONS

#### SECTION 201

##### GENERAL

**201.1 Scope.** Unless otherwise stated, the following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this code, have the meanings shown in this chapter.

**201.2 Interchangeability.** Words used in the present tense include the future; words stated in the masculine gender include the feminine and neuter; the singular number includes the plural and the plural, the singular.

**201.3 Terms defined in other documents.** Where terms are not defined in this code and are defined in the California Building Standards Code or other referenced documents, such terms shall have the meanings ascribed to them as in those publications.

**201.4 Terms not defined.** Where terms are not defined as specified in this section, such terms shall have ordinarily accepted meanings such as the context implies.

#### SECTION 202

##### DEFINITIONS

**AUTOMATIC.** Automatic means capable of operating without human intervention.

**BUILDING ENVELOPE.** The ensemble of exterior and demising partitions of a building that enclose conditioned space.

**CALIFORNIA BUILDING CODE.** The current version of the California Building Code.

**CALIFORNIA ELECTRICAL CODE.** The current version of the California Electrical Code.

**CALIFORNIA ENERGY CODE.** The current version of the California Energy Code.

**CALIFORNIA MECHANICAL CODE.** The current version of the California Mechanical Code.

**CALIFORNIA PLUMBING CODE.** The current version of the California Plumbing Code.

**CONDITIONED SPACE.** A space in a building that is either directly conditioned or indirectly conditioned.

**COOLING EQUIPMENT.** Equipment used to provide mechanical cooling for a room or rooms in a building.

**ENERGY COMMISSION.** The California State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission.

**ENFORCING AGENCY.** The designated department or agency as specified by statute or regulation.

**GREEN BUILDING.** A holistic approach to design, construction, and demolition that minimizes the building's impact on the environment, the occupants, and the community.

**INFILTRATION.** An uncontrolled inward air leakage from outside a building or unconditioned space, including leakage through cracks and interstices, around windows and doors and through any other exterior or demising partition or pipe or duct penetration.

**KITCHEN.** That portion in a residential dwelling unit that is a room or area used for cooking, food storage and preparation and washing dishes, including associated counter tops and cabinets, refrigerator, stove, ovens and floor area.

**LOW-RISE RESIDENTIAL BUILDING.** A building, other than a hotel/motel, that is of Occupancy Group R, Division 1, and is three stories or less, or that is of Occupancy Group R, Division 3.

**OUTDOOR AIR (Outside air).** Air taken from outdoors and not previously circulated in the building.

**RESIDENTIAL BUILDING.** (See “low-rise residential building.”)

**VAPOR BARRIER.** Material that has a permeance of one perm or less and that provides resistance to the transmission of water vapor.

## CHAPTER 3

### GREEN BUILDING

#### SECTION 301 GENERAL

**301.1 Scope.** Buildings shall be designed to include the green building measures specified as mandatory in the application worksheets contained in Chapter 11 of this code. Optional green building measures may be included but are not required.

#### SECTION 302 MIXED OCCUPANCY BUILDINGS

**302.1 Mixed occupancy buildings.** In mixed occupancy buildings, each portion of a building shall comply with the specific green building measures applicable to each specific occupancy.

## CHAPTER 4

### PLANNING AND DESIGN

#### SECTION 401

##### GENERAL

**401.1 Purpose.** The provisions of this chapter outline planning, design and development methods that include environmentally responsible site selection, building design, building siting and development to protect, restore, and enhance the environmental quality of the site and respect the integrity of adjacent properties.

#### SECTION 402

##### DEFINITIONS

**402.1 Definitions.** The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this chapter and as used elsewhere in this code, have the meanings shown herein.

**WATTLES.** Wattles are used to reduce sediment in runoff. Wattles are often constructed of natural plant materials such as hay, straw or similar material shaped in the form of tubes and placed on a downflow slope. Wattles are also used for perimeter and inlet controls.

#### SECTION 403

##### SITE SELECTION

(Reserved)

#### SECTION 404

##### SITE PRESERVATION

(Reserved)

#### SECTION 405

(Reserved)

#### SECTION 406

##### SITE DEVELOPMENT

**406.1 General.** Preservation and use of available natural resources shall be accomplished through evaluation and careful planning to minimize negative effects on the site and adjacent areas. Preservation of slopes, management of storm water drainage and erosion controls shall comply with this section.

**406.2 Storm water drainage and retention during construction.** Projects which disturb less than one acre of soil and are not part of a larger common plan of development which in total disturbs one acre or more, shall develop a plan to manage storm water drainage during construction. A plan to manage storm water drainage during construction shall be implemented to prevent flooding of adjacent property, prevent erosion and retain soil runoff on the site. One or more of the followings methods shall be utilized to manage storm water drainage.

1. Retention basins of sufficient size shall be utilized to retain storm water on the site.
2. Where storm water is conveyed to a public drainage system, collection point, gutter, or similar disposal method, water shall be filtered by use of a barrier system, wattles, or other method approved by the enforcing agency.
3. Compliance with a lawfully enacted storm water management ordinance.

**CHAPTER 5**  
**ENERGY EFFICIENCY**

**SECTION 501**  
**GENERAL**

**501.1 Scope.** The provisions of this chapter shall outline means of achieving enhanced building energy efficiency [OSHPD 1, 2 & 3] using either a performance approach or a prescriptive approach.

**SECTION 502**  
**DEFINITIONS**

**502.1 Definitions.** The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this chapter and as used elsewhere in this code, have the meanings shown herein.

**BUILDING COMMISSIONING.** A systematic quality assurance process that spans the entire design and construction process. Building commissioning helps ensure that a new building's performance meets owner expectations by verifying and documenting that building systems and components are planned, designed, installed, tested, operated, and maintained to meet the owner's project requirements.

**ENERGY STAR.** A joint program of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Energy. ENERGY STAR is a voluntary program designed to identify and promote energy-efficient products and practices.

**DEMAND RESPONSE AUTOMATION INTERNET SOFTWARE CLIENT.** Software that resides in a building Energy Management Control System that can receive a demand response signal and automatically reduce HVAC and lighting system loads. Demand Response programs developed by Utilities and ISO's depend upon timely and reliable communications of events and information to the buildings that are participating in the programs.

**GEOTHERMAL.** Renewable energy generated by deep-earth water or steam.

**OVERCURRENT PROTECTION DEVICE RATING.** The highest current at rated voltage that an overcurrent protection device is intended to interrupt under standard test conditions.

**PROCESS.** An activity or treatment that is not related to the space conditioning, lighting, service water heating, or ventilating of a building as it relates to human occupancy.

**TIME DEPENDENT VALUATION (TDV) ENERGY.** The time varying energy caused to be used by the building to provide space conditioning and water heating and for specified buildings lighting. TDV energy accounts for the energy cost used at the building site and consumed in producing and in delivering energy to a site, including, but not limited to, power generation, transmission and distribution losses.

**SECTION 503**  
**PERFORMANCE APPROACH**

**503.1 Energy performance.** Using an Alternative Calculation Method approved by the California Energy Commission, calculate each nonresidential building's TDV energy and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, and compare it to the standard or "budget" building.

**503.1.1 Tier 1.** Exceed 2007 California Energy Code requirements by 15%.

**503.1.2 Tier 2.** Exceed 2007 California Energy Code requirements by 30%.

Field verify and document the measures and calculations used to reach the desired level of efficiency following the requirements specified in the Title 24 Nonresidential Alternative Calculation Method Manual.

**503.2 Minimum energy performance for low-rise residential buildings.** Low-rise residential buildings shall meet or exceed the minimum performance or prescriptive standard design required by the California Energy Code currently in effect.

**SECTION 504**  
**PRESCRIPTIVE APPROACH**

**504.1 ENERGY STAR equipment and appliances.** All equipment and appliances provided by the builder shall be ENERGY STAR labeled if ENERGY STAR is applicable to that equipment or appliance.

**504.2 Energy monitoring.** Provide sub-metering or equivalent combinations of sensor measurements and thermodynamic calculations, if appropriate, to record energy use data for each major energy system in the building, including chillers, heat pumps, packaged AC systems, fans, pumps, cooling towers, boilers and other heating systems, lighting systems, and process loads. This energy use data, once collected, shall be stored within a data management system.

**504.2.1 Data storage.** The data management system must be capable of electronically storing energy data and creating user reports showing hourly, daily, monthly and annual energy consumption for each major energy system. Hourly data shall be retained a minimum of 30 days, daily data shall be retained a minimum of 6 months and monthly data shall be retained a minimum of 2 years.

**504.2.2 Data access.** Hourly energy use data shall be accessible through a central data management system and must be available daily.

**504.3 Demand response.** HVAC systems with Direct Digital Control Systems and centralized lighting systems shall include pre-programmed demand response strategies that are automated with either a Demand Response Automation Internet Software Client or dry contact relays.

**504.3.1 HVAC.** The pre-programmed demand response strategies shall be capable of reducing the peak HVAC demand by cooling temperature set point adjustment.

**504.3.2 Lighting.** The pre-programmed demand response strategies shall be capable of reducing the total lighting load by a minimum 30% through dimming control or bi-level switching.

**504.3.3 Software clients.** The software clients shall be capable of communicating with a DR Automation Server.

**504.4 Commissioning.** Building commissioning shall be included in the design and construction processes of the building project to verify that the building systems and components meet the owner's project requirements. Commissioning shall be performed in accordance with this section by personnel trained and certified in commissioning by a nationally recognized organization. Commissioning requirements shall include as a minimum:

1. Owner's Project Requirements.
2. Basis of Design.
3. Commissioning measures shown in the construction documents.
4. Commissioning Plan
5. Functional Performance Testing.
6. Post Construction Documentation & Training.
7. Commissioning Report.

All building systems and components covered by Title 24, Part 6, as well as process equipment and controls, and renewable energy systems shall be included in the scope of the Commissioning Requirements.

**504.4.1 Owner's Project Requirements (OPR).** The expectations and requirements of the building shall be documented before the design phase of the project begins. At a minimum, this documentation shall include the following:

1. Environmental and Sustainability Goals.
2. Energy Efficiency Goals.
3. Indoor Environmental Quality Requirements.
4. Equipment and Systems Expectations.
5. Building Occupant and O&M Personnel Expectations.

**504.4.2 Basis of Design (BOD).** A written explanation of how the design of the building systems meets the Owner's Project Requirements shall be completed at the design phase of the building project, and updated as necessary during the design and construction phases. At a minimum, the Basis of Design document shall cover the following systems:

1. Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning (HVAC) Systems and Controls.
2. Indoor Lighting System and Controls.
3. Water Heating System.
4. Renewable Energy Systems.

**504.4.3 Commissioning plan.** A commissioning plan shall be completed to document the approach to how the project will be commissioned and shall be started during the design phase of the building project. The Commissioning Plan shall include the following at a minimum:

1. General Project Information.
2. Commissioning Goals.
3. Systems to be commissioned. Plans to test systems and components shall include at a minimum:
  - a. A detailed explanation of the original design intent.
  - b. Equipment and systems to be tested, including the extent of tests.
  - c. Functions to be tested.
  - d. Conditions under which the test shall be performed.
  - e. Measurable criteria for acceptable performance.
4. Commissioning Team Information.
5. Commissioning Process Activities, Schedules & Responsibilities – plans for the completion of Commissioning Requirements listed in 504.4.4 through 504.4.6 shall be included.

**504.4.4 Functional performance testing.** Functional performance tests shall demonstrate the correct installation and operation of each component, system, and system-to-system interface in accordance with the

approved plans and specifications. Functional performance testing reports shall contain information addressing each of the building components tested, the testing methods utilized, and include any readings and adjustments made.

**504.4.5 Post construction documentation and training.** A Systems Manual and Systems Operations Training are required.

**504.4.5.1 Systems manual.** Documentation of the operational aspects of the building shall be completed within the Systems Manual and delivered to the building owner and facilities operator. At a minimum, the Systems Manual shall include the following:

1. Site Information, including facility description, history and current requirements.
2. Site Contact Information.
3. Basic Operations & Maintenance, including general site operating procedures, basic troubleshooting, recommended maintenance requirements, site events log
4. Major Systems.
5. Site Equipment Inventory and Maintenance Notes.
6. Other Resources & Documentation.

**504.4.5.2 Systems operations training.** The training of the appropriate maintenance staff for each equipment type and/or system shall include, as a minimum, the following:

1. System/Equipment overview (what it is, what it does and what other systems and/or equipment it interfaces with).
2. Review of the information in the Systems Manual.
3. Review of the record drawings on the system/equipment.

**504.4.6 Commissioning report.** A complete report of commissioning process activities undertaken through the design, construction and post-construction phases of the building project shall be completed and provided to the owner.

**504.5 Building orientation and shading.** Locate, orient and shade the building as follows:

1. Provide exterior shade for south-facing windows during the peak cooling season.
2. Provide vertical shading against direct solar gain and glare due to low altitude sun angles for east- and west-facing windows.
3. When site and location permit, orient the building with the long sides facing north and south.
4. Protect the building from thermal loss, drafts, and degradation of the building envelope caused by wind and wind-driven materials such as dust, sand, snow, and leaves with building orientation and landscape features.

**504.5.1 Shading with vegetation.** As applicable, comply with local ordinance, Chapter 7A of the 2007 California Building Code and, Chapter 47 of the California Fire Code for locations designated by the enforcing agency as having a significant risk for wildfires.

**504.5.2 Sun angle calculations.** For information on sun angles and shading, visit: <http://www2.aud.ucla.edu/energy-design-tools/> . Calculations may be made using the Solar-2 tool.

**504.6 Minimum energy performance for low-rise residential buildings.** Low-rise residential buildings shall meet or exceed the minimum performance or prescriptive standard design required by the California Energy Code currently in effect.

**SECTION 505**  
**BUILDING ENVELOPE**  
**(Reserved)**

**SECTION 506**  
**AIR SEALING PACKAGE**

**506.1 Joints and openings.** Openings in the building envelope separating conditioned space from unconditioned space needed to accommodate gas, plumbing, electrical lines and other necessary penetrations must be sealed in compliance with the California Energy Code.

**Exception:** Annular spaces around pipes, electric cables, conduits, or other openings in plates at exterior walls shall be protected against the passage of rodents by closing such openings with cement mortar, concrete masonry or similar method acceptable to the enforcing agency.

**506.1.1 Other openings.** Whole house exhaust fans shall have insulated louvers or covers which close when the fan is off. Covers or louvers shall have a minimum insulation value of R-4.2.

**SECTION 507**  
**HVAC DESIGN, EQUIPMENT AND INSTALLATION**  
**(Reserved)**

**SECTION 508**  
**WATER HEATING DESIGN, EQUIPMENT AND INSTALLATION**  
**(Reserved)**

**SECTION 509**  
**LIGHTING**  
**(Reserved)**

**SECTION 510**  
**APPLIANCES**  
**(Reserved)**

**SECTION 511**  
**RENEWABLE ENERGY**  
**(Reserved)**

**511.1 On-site renewable energy.** Use on-site renewable energy sources such as solar, wind, geothermal, low-impact hydro, biomass and bio-gas for at least 1% of the electric power calculated as the product of the building service voltage and the amperage specified by the electrical service overcurrent protection device rating or 1kW, (whichever is greater), in addition to the electrical demand required to meet 1% of the natural gas and propane use. The building project's electrical service overcurrent protection device rating shall be calculated in accordance with the 2007 California Electrical Code. Natural gas or propane use is calculated in accordance with the 2007 California Plumbing Code.

**511.1.1 Documentation.** Calculate renewable on-site energy cost savings as a percentage of estimated local utility rates for conventional fuel types. Factor in net-metering, if offered by local utility, on an annual basis.

**511.2 Green Power.** Using a Calculation Method approved by the California Energy Commission, calculate the renewable on-site energy system to meet the requirements of Section 511.1, expressed in kW. Factor in net-metering, if offered by local utility, on an annual basis.

**SECTION 512**  
**ELEVATORS, ESCALATORS, AND OTHER EQUIPMENT**  
**(Reserved)**

**512.1 Elevators and escalators.** In buildings with more than one elevator or two escalators, provide controls to reduce the energy demand of elevators for part of the day and escalators to reduce speed when no traffic is detected. Document the controls in the project specifications and commissioning plan.

**512.1.1 Controls.** Controls that reduce energy demand shall meet requirements of CCR, Title 8, Chapter 4, Subchapter 6 and shall not interrupt emergency operations for elevators required in CCR, Title 24, Part 2, California Building Code.

**SECTION 513**  
**ENERGY EFFICIENT STEEL FRAMING**

**513.1 Steel framing.** Design steel framing for maximum energy efficiency. Techniques for avoiding thermal bridging in the envelope include:

1. Punching large holes in the stud web without affecting its structural integrity.
2. Spacing the studs as far as possible while maintaining the structural integrity of the structure.
3. Exterior rigid insulation, and
4. Detailed design of intersections of wall openings and building intersections of floors, walls, and roofs.

## CHAPTER 6

### WATER EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION

#### SECTION 601

##### GENERAL

**601.1 Scope.** The provisions of this chapter shall establish the means of conserving water used indoors, outdoors, and in wastewater conveyance.

#### SECTION 602

##### DEFINITIONS

**602.1 Definitions.** The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this chapter and as used elsewhere in this code, have the meanings shown herein.

**DENSITY FACTOR [Kd]{dimensionless}.** The Coefficient used to modify Ks to reflect the water needs of a particular plant or group of plants with reference to the density of the plant material. Kd ranges from 0.5 for a sparse planting to 1.3 for very dense plantings and averages 1.0. (Landscape, 2000).

**EVAPOTRANSPIRATION [ET].** The combination of water transpired from plant tissues and evaporated from the soil and plant surfaces measured in inches per unit of time.

**GRAYWATER.** Untreated household waste which has not come into contact with toilet waste. Graywater includes used water from bathtubs, showers, bathroom wash basins, and water from clothes washing machines and laundry tubs. It shall not include waste water from kitchen sinks, dishwashers, or laundry water from soiled diapers.

**HISTORICAL EVAPOTRANSPIRATION [Historical ETo].** A multiple-year average of recorded historical reference ETo data from a weather station or evaporative pan in a given geographic location. This value is typically a monthly average of the specific month in a given multi-year time frame. This value, when corrected for plant species characteristics, can be used as a baseline to evaluate the expected water needs of a landscape planting in that geographic area.(FAO 1998; ASCE, 1990)

**LANDSCAPE (PLANT) COEFFICIENT [KI].** The product of the species factor multiplied by the density factor and the microclimate factor. {KI=Ks x Kd X Kmc} The landscape coefficient is used in the landscape water budget calculation. (UCCE, 2000)

**MICROCLIMATE FACTOR [Kmc].** The coefficient used to modify Ks to reflect water needs of a particular plant or group of plants with reference to the microclimate of the planting area. Microclimate factors include sun exposure, proximity to reflective surfaces, and windy locations. Kmc ranges from 0.5 for low microclimate factors to 1.4 for high microclimate factors. (UCCE, 2000)

**MODEL WATER EFFICIENT LANDSCAPE ORDINANCE.** The California ordinance regulating landscape design, installation and maintenance practices that will ensure commercial, multifamily and other developer installed landscapes greater than 2500 square feet meet an irrigation water budget developed based on landscaped area, and climatological parameters.

**PLANT SPECIES FACTOR, [Ks]{dimensionless}.** A factor or coefficient used to adjust reference evapotranspiration to reflect water use by a particular plant species. Ks ranges from <0.1 for very low water using plants, 0.1-0.3 for low water using, 0.4-0.6 moderate water using to 0.7-0.9 for high water using plants. The Ks for cool season turfgrass is 0.8 and warm season turfgrass is 0.6.

**POTABLE WATER.** Water that is drinkable and meets the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Drinking Water Standards. See definition in the California Plumbing Code, Part 5.

**RECYCLED WATER.** Water which, as a result of treatment of waste, is suitable for a direct beneficial use or a controlled use that would not otherwise occur (Water Code Section 13050 (n)). Simply put, recycled water is water treated to remove waste matter attaining a quality that is suitable to use the water again.

**REFERENCE EVAPOTRANSPIRATION {ETo}.** The estimated rate of evapotranspiration from a standardized surface of well watered, actively growing cool season turfgrass clipped to 12 cm with sufficient density to fully shade the soil. The water needs of a landscape planting can be calculated by multiplying the Landscape Coefficient [KI] and Reference Evapotranspiration {ETo}

**SUBMETER.** A meter installed subordinate to a site meter. Usually used to measure water intended for one purpose, such as landscape irrigation, also known as a Dedicated Meter.

#### SECTION 603

##### INDOOR WATER USE

**603.1 Meters.** Separate meters or submeters shall be installed for indoor and outdoor potable water use.

**603.2 20% Savings.** A schedule of plumbing fixtures and fixture fittings that will reduce the overall use of potable water within the building by 20% shall be provided. The reduction shall be based on the maximum allowable water use per plumbing fixture and fittings as required by the California Building Standards Code. The 20% reduction in potable water use shall be demonstrated by one of the following methods.

1. Each plumbing fixture and fitting shall meet the 20% reduced flow rate specified in Table 603.2, or
2. A calculation demonstrating a 20% reduction in the building "water use baseline" as established in Table 603.1 shall be provided. For low-rise residential occupancies, the calculation shall be limited to the following plumbing fixture and fitting types: water closets, urinals, lavatory faucets, showerheads and kitchen faucets.

**603.2.1 Multiple showerheads serving one shower.** When single shower fixtures are served by more than one showerhead, the combined flow rate of all the showerheads shall not exceed the maximum flow rates specified in the 20% reduction column contained in Table 603.2 or the shower shall be designed to only allow one showerhead to be in operation at a time.

**TABLE 603.1  
WATER USE BASELINE<sup>5</sup>**

<b>Fixture Type</b>	<b>Flow-rate<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Daily uses</b>	<b>Occupants<sup>3,4</sup></b>
Showerheads	2.5 gpm @ 80 psi	8 min.	1	X
Showerheads Residential	2.5 gpm @ 80 psi	8 min.	1	X
Lavatory Faucets Residential	2.2 gpm @ 60 psi	.25 min.	3	X
Kitchen Faucets	2.2 gpm @ 60 psi	4 min.	1	X
Replacement Aerators	2.2 gpm @ 60 psi			X
Wash Fountains	2.2 [rim space (in.) / 20 gpm @ 60 psi]			X
Metering Faucets	0.25 gallons/cycle	.25 min.	3	X
Metering Faucets for Wash Fountains	.25 [rim space (in.) / 20 gpm @ 60 psi]	.25 min.		X
Gravity tank type Water Closets	1.6 gallons/flush	1 flush	1 male <sup>1</sup> 3 female	X
Flushometer Tank Water Closets	1.6 gallons/flush	1 flush	1 male <sup>1</sup> 3 female	X
Flushometer Valve Water Closets	1.6 gallons/flush	1 flush	1 male <sup>1</sup> 3 female	X
Electromechanical Hydraulic Water Closets	1.6 gallons/flush	1 flush	1 male <sup>1</sup> 3 female	X
Urinals	1.0 gallons/flush	1 flush	2 male	X

**Fixture "Water Use" = Flow rate x Duration x Occupants x Daily uses**

<sup>1</sup> Except for low-rise residential occupancies the daily use number shall be increased to three if urinals are not installed in the room.

<sup>2</sup> The Flow-rate is from the CEC Appliance Efficiency Standards, Title 20 California Code of Regulations; where a conflict occurs, the CEC standards shall apply.

<sup>3</sup> For low rise residential occupancies, the number of occupants shall be based on two persons for the first bedroom, plus one additional person for each additional bedroom.

<sup>4</sup> For non-residential occupancies, refer to Table A, Chapter 4, 2007 California Plumbing Code, for occupant load factors.

<sup>5</sup> Use Worksheet WS-1 to calculate base line water use.

**TABLE 603.2  
FIXTURE FLOW RATES**

<b>Fixture Type</b>	<b>Flow-rate</b>	<b>Maximum flow rate at 20% Reduction</b>
Showerheads	2.5 gpm @ 80 psi	2 gpm @ 80 psi
Lavatory Faucets Residential	2.2 gpm @ 60 psi	1.8 gpm @ 60 psi
Kitchen Faucets	2.2 gpm @ 60 psi	1.8 gpm @ 60 psi
Wash Fountains	2.2 [rim space (in.) / 20 gpm @ 60 psi]	1.8 [rim space (in.) / 20 gpm @ 60 psi]
Metering Faucets	0.25 gallons/cycle	0.2 gallons/cycle
Metering Faucets for Wash Fountains	.25 [rim space (in.) / 20 gpm @ 60 psi]	.20 [rim space (in.) / 20 gpm @ 60 psi]
Gravity tank type	1.6 gallons/flush	1.28 gallons/flush <sup>1</sup>

<u>Water Closets</u>		
<u>Flushometer Tank</u> <u>Water Closets</u>	<u>1.6 gallons/flush</u>	<u>1.28 gallons/flush<sup>1</sup></u>
<u>Flushometer Valve</u> <u>Water Closets</u>	<u>1.6 gallons/flush</u>	<u>1.28 gallons/flush<sup>1</sup></u>
<u>Electromechanical</u> <u>Hydraulic Water Closets</u>	<u>1.6 gallons/flush</u>	<u>1.28 gallons/flush<sup>1</sup></u>
<u>Urinals</u>	<u>1.0 gallons/flush</u>	<u>.8 gallons/flush</u>

<sup>1</sup> Includes water closets with an effective flush rate of 1.28 gallons or less when tested per ASME A112.19.2 and ASME A112.19.14.

**603.3 Appliances.**

1. Clothes washer shall have a maximum Water Factor (WF) that will reduce the use of water by 10% below the California Energy Commissions' WF standards for commercial clothes washers located in Title 20 of the California Code of Regulations.
2. Dishwashers shall meet the following water use standards:
  - a. Residential—5.8 gallons per cycle
  - b. Commercial—refer to Table 603.3

**TABLE 603.3  
COMMERCIAL DISHWASHER WATER USE**

<u>Type</u>	<u>High-Temperature— maximum gallons per rack</u>	<u>Chemical—maximum gallons per rack</u>
<u>Conveyer</u>	<u>0.70</u>	<u>0.62</u>
<u>Door</u>	<u>0.95</u>	<u>1.16</u>
<u>Undercounter</u>	<u>0.90</u>	<u>0.98</u>

3. Ice makers shall be air cooled.
4. Food steamers shall be connection-less or boiler-less.
5. The use and installation of water softeners that discharge to the community sewer system shall be limited or prohibited by local agencies if certain conditions are met.

**603.4 Wastewater reduction.** Each building shall reduce the generation of wastewater by one of the following methods:

1. The installation of water-conserving fixtures (water closets, urinals) meeting the criteria established in sections 603.2 or 603.3 or
2. Utilizing non-potable water systems (captured rainwater, graywater, and municipally treated wastewater (recycled water)).

**603.5 Dual plumbing.** New buildings and facilities shall be dual plumbed for potable and recycled water systems for toilet flushing when recycled water is available as determined by the enforcement authority.

**SECTION 604  
OUTDOOR WATER USE**

**604.1 Water budget.** A water budget shall be developed for landscape irrigation use that conforms to the local water efficient landscape ordinance or to the California Department of Water Resources Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance where no local ordinance is applicable.

**604.2 Potable water reduction.** Provide water efficient landscape irrigation design that reduces by 50% the use of potable water beyond the initial requirements for plant installation and establishment. Calculations for the reduction shall be based on the water budget developed pursuant to section 605.1.

Methods used to accomplish the requirements of this section must be designed to the requirements of the California Building Standards Code and shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. Plant coefficient.
2. Irrigation efficiency and Distribution Uniformity.
3. Use of captured rainwater.
4. Use of recycled water.
5. Water treated for irrigation purposes and conveyed by a water district or public entity.
6. Use of graywater.

**604.3 Potable water elimination.** Provide a water efficient landscape irrigation design that eliminates the use of potable water beyond the initial requirements for plant installation and establishment.. Methods used to accomplish the requirements of this section must be designed to the requirements of the California Building Standards Code and

shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. Plant coefficient.
2. Irrigation efficiency and Distribution Uniformity.
3. Use of captured rainwater.
4. Use of recycled water.
5. Water treated for irrigation purposes and conveyed by a water district or public entity.
6. Use of graywater.

**604.4 Graywater Irrigation System.** Install a graywater collection system for onsite subsurface irrigation using graywater collected from bathtubs, showers, bathroom wash basins, and laundry water. See Appendix G, 2007 California Plumbing Code.

**604.5 Rainwater or stormwater collection systems.** Either as a site design feature (vegetated swales, etc.), or as a constructed system (rain cistern, etc.), rain cisterns and other constructed water collection devices may store water for landscape irrigation.

**SECTION 605**  
**RECYCLED (RECLAIMED) AND GRAYWATER SYSTEMS**  
**(Reserved)**

## **CHAPTER 7**

### **MATERIAL CONSERVATION AND RESOURCE EFFICIENCY**

#### **SECTION 701** **GENERAL**

**701.1 Scope.** The provisions of this chapter shall outline means of achieving material conservation and resource efficiency through reuse of existing building stock and materials; use of recycled, regional, rapidly renewable, and certified wood materials; and employment of techniques to reduce pollution through recycling of materials and reduction of building pollutants prior to occupancy.

#### **SECTION 702** **DEFINITIONS**

**702.1 Definitions.** The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this chapter and as used elsewhere in this code, have the meanings shown herein.

**EMBODIED ENERGY.** The energy used for raw material extraction, transportation, manufacturing, assembly, installation, and disposal during the life of a product, including the potential energy stored within the product.

**LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENT (LCA).** A technique to evaluate the relevant energy and material consumed and environmental emissions associated with the entire life of a product, process, activity or service.

**OVE.** Optimal Value Engineering, another term for advanced wood framing techniques.

**POST-CONSUMER CONTENT.** Waste material generated by consumers after it is used and which would otherwise be discarded.

**PRE-CONSUMER (or POST-INDUSTRIAL) CONTENT.** Material diverted from the waste stream during one manufacturing process, including scraps, damaged goods, and excess production, that is used in another manufacturing process.

**RECYCLED CONTENT.** Refer to International Organization of Standards ISO 14021—Environmental labels and declarations—Self-declared environmental claims (Type II environmental labeling).

**RECYCLED CONTENT VALUE (RCV).** Material cost multiplied by post-consumer content plus ½ the pre-consumer content, or  $RCV = \$ X (\text{post-consumer content} + \frac{1}{2} \text{pre-consumer content})$ .

#### **SECTION 703** **FOUNDATION SYSTEMS** **(Reserved)**

#### **SECTION 704** **EFFICIENT FRAMING TECHNIQUES** **(Reserved)**

**704.1 Wood framing.** Employ advanced wood framing techniques, or OVE, as recommended by the US Department of Energy's Office of Building Technology, State and Community Programs and as permitted by the enforcing agency.

**704.1.1 Structural integrity.** The OVE selected shall not conflict with structural framing methods required by the 2007 California Building Code.

**704.1.2 Framing specifications.** Advanced framing techniques include the following:

1. Building design using 2-foot modules,
2. Spacing wall studs up to 24 inches on center,
3. Spacing floor and roof framing members up to 24 inches on center,
4. Using 2-stud corner framing and drywall clips or scrap lumber for drywall backing,
5. Eliminating solid headers in non-load-bearing walls,
6. Using in-line framing, aligning floor, wall and roof framing members vertically for direct transfer of loads, and
7. Using single lumber headers and top plates where appropriate.

Additional information can be obtained at the following web site:  
<http://www.eere.energy.gov/buildings/info/publications.html#technology%20fact%20sheets>

#### **SECTION 705** **MATERIAL SOURCES** **(Reserved)**

**705.1 Regional materials.** Compared to other products in a given product category, select building materials or

products for permanent installation on the project that have been harvested or manufactured in California or within 500 miles of the project site.

1. For those materials locally manufactured, select materials manufactured using low embodied energy or those that will result in net energy savings over their useful life.
2. Regional materials shall make up at least 10%, based on cost, of total materials value.
3. If regional materials make up only part of a product, their values are calculated as percentages based on weight.
4. Provide documentation of the origin, net projected energy savings, and value of regional materials.

**705.2 Bio-based materials.** Select bio-based building materials and products made from solid wood, engineered wood, bamboo, wool, cotton, cork, straw, natural fibers, products made from crops (soy-based, corn-based) and other bio-based materials with at least 50% bio-based content.

**705.2.1 Certified wood products.** Employ wood-based materials and products comprising at least 50% of a major building component, such as framing, flooring, or millwork, which are certified in accordance with one of the following standards organizations' requirements:

1. Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) Principles and Criteria for wood framing and paneling. (FSC also has a certification process for federal lands.)
2. Canadian Standards Association Z809 Standards. (CSA may also have a certification process for federal lands.)
3. Sustainable Forestry Initiative Standard, 2005-2009.
4. American Tree Farm System, 2004-2008 AFF Standard
5. Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification Schemes (PEFC)

**705.2.2 Rapidly renewable materials.** Use materials made from plants harvested within a ten-year cycle for at least 2.5% of total materials value, based on estimated cost.

**705.3 Reused materials.** Use salvaged, refurbished, refinished, or reused materials for a minimum of 5% of the total value, based on estimated cost of materials on the project. Provide documentation as to the respective values.

**705.3.1 Sources of reused materials.** Sources of some reused materials can be found at <http://www.ciwmb.ca.gov/RCP/Product.asp?VW=CAT&CATID=257>

See also Appendix A, Sections A405.1 and A405.2 for on-site materials reuse.

**705.4 Recycled content.** Use materials, equivalent in performance to virgin materials, with post-consumer or pre-consumer recycled content value (RCV) for a minimum of 10% of the total value, based on estimated cost of materials on the project. Provide documentation as to the respective values.

**705.4.1 Determination of recycled content value (RCV).** The recycled content of a material assembly shall be determined by weight, and the fractional value of the weight is then multiplied by the total estimated cost of the material assembly.

**705.4.2 Sources of recycled materials.** Sources and recycled content of some recycled materials can be found at <http://www.ciwmb.ca.gov/RCP/Product.asp?VW=CAT&CATID=257>.

**705.5 Cement and concrete.** Use cement and concrete made with recycled products complying with Sections 705.6.1 through 705.6.3.

**705.5.1 Alternative fuels.** Where permitted by state or local air quality standards, use alternative fuels in the manufacture of cement.

**705.5.2 Cement.** Meet the following standards for cement:

1. Portland Cement shall meet ASTM C 150 Specifications.
2. Blended Cement shall meet ASTM C 595 or ASTM C 1157.

**705.5.3 Concrete.** Use concrete manufactured in accordance with Sections 706.6.3.1 and 706.6.3.2, as approved by the enforcing agency.

**705.5.3.1 Industrial byproducts.** Use concrete made with the following materials:

1. Fly ash meeting ASTM C 618, Specification for Coal Fly Ash and Raw or Calcined Natural Pozzolan for Use in Concrete.
2. Slag cement meeting ASTM C 989, Specification for Ground Granulated Blast-Furnace Slag for Use in Concrete and Mortars, up to 70%
3. Silica fume meeting ASTM C 1240, Specification for Silica Fume Used in Cementitious Mixtures, up to 7%.

**705.5.3.2 Recycled aggregates.** Use concrete made with one of the following materials:

1. Blast furnace slag as a lightweight aggregate.
2. Recycled concrete that meets grading requirements of ASTM C 33, Standard Specification for Concrete Aggregates.

## **SECTION 706**

## **ENHANCED DURABILITY AND REDUCED MAINTENANCE**

**(Reserved)**

**706.1 Choice of materials.** Compared to other products in a given product category, choose materials proven to be characterized by one or more of the following.

**706.1.1 Service life.** Select materials for longevity and minimal deterioration under conditions of use.

**706.1.2 Reduced maintenance.** Select materials that require little, if any, finishing. For those with surface protection, choose materials that do not require frequent applications of toxic or malodorous finishes.

**706.1.3 Recyclability.** Select materials that can be re-used or recycled at the end of their service life in the project.

## **SECTION 707**

### **WATER RESISTANCE AND MOISTURE MANAGEMENT**

**(Reserved)**

**707.1 Weather protection.** Provide a weather-resistant exterior wall and foundation envelope as required by California Building Code Section 1403.2 and California Energy Code Section 150, manufacturer's installation instructions, or local ordinance, whichever is more stringent.

**707.2 Moisture control.** Employ moisture control measures by one of the following methods.

**707.2.1 Sprinklers.** Design and maintain landscape irrigation systems to prevent spray on structures.

**707.2.2 Entries and openings.** Design exterior entries and openings to prevent water intrusion into buildings, using features such as overhangs and recesses, flashings integrated with a drainage plane, and use non-pervious interior finishes in the vicinity of such openings.

## **SECTION 708**

### **CONSTRUCTION WASTE REDUCTION, DISPOSAL AND RECYCLING**

**708.1 Construction waste diversion.** Establish a construction waste management plan for the diverted materials, or meet local construction and demolition waste management ordinance, whichever is more stringent.

**708.2 Construction waste management plan.** Where a local jurisdictions does not have a construction and demolition waste management ordinance, submit a construction waste management plan for approval by the enforcement authority that:

1. Identifies the materials to be diverted from disposal by efficient usage, recycling, reuse on the project, or salvage for future use or sale.
2. Determines if materials will be sorted on-site or mixed.
3. Identifies diversion facilities where material collected will be taken.
4. Specifies that the amount of materials diverted shall be calculated by weight or volume, but not by both.

**708.3 Construction waste reduction of at least 50%.** Recycle and/or salvage for reuse a minimum of 50% of non-hazardous construction and demolition debris, or meet a local construction and demolition waste management ordinance, whichever is more stringent. Calculate the amount of materials diverted by weight or volume, but not by both.

#### **Exceptions:**

1. Excavated soil and land-clearing debris
2. Alternate waste reduction methods developed by working with local agencies if diversion or recycle facilities capable of compliance with this item do not exist.

**708.4 Excavated soil and land clearing debris.** 100% of trees, stumps, rocks and associated vegetation and soils resulting primarily from land clearing shall be reused or recycled.

## **SECTION 709**

### **LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENT**

**(Reserved)**

**709.1 Materials and system assemblies.** Select materials assemblies based on life cycle assessment of their embodied energy and/or green house gas emission potentials.

**709.1.1 Materials and system assemblies.** Software for calculating life cycle costs for materials and assemblies may be found at:

1. the Athena Institute web site at: <http://www.athenasmi.ca/tools/impactEstimator/>
2. the NIST BEES web site at: <http://www.bfrl.nist.gov/oae/software/bees/>.
3. Life Cycle assessment may also be done in accordance with ISO Standard 14044, [www.iso.ch](http://www.iso.ch).

**709.1.2 Additional resources.** More information on life cycle assessment may be found at the Sustainable

Products Purchasers Coalition: [www.sppcoalition.org](http://www.sppcoalition.org) ; at the American Center for Life Cycle Assessment: [www.lcacenter.org](http://www.lcacenter.org) ; at U.S. EPA Life Cycle Assessment Research: [www.epa.gov/nrmrl/lcaccess/index.html](http://www.epa.gov/nrmrl/lcaccess/index.html) ; and at U.S. EPA Environmentally Preferable Products, [www.epa.gov/epp](http://www.epa.gov/epp).

## **SECTION 710** **BUILDING MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION**

**710.1 Recycling by occupants.** Provide readily accessible areas that serve the entire building and are identified for the depositing, storage, and collection of non-hazardous materials for recycling, including (at a minimum) paper, corrugated cardboard, glass, plastics and metals.

**710.1.1 Sample ordinance.** Space allocation for recycling areas shall comply with Chapter 18, Part 3, Division 30 of the Public Resources Code. Chapter 18 is known as the California Solid Waste Reuse and Recycling Access Act of 1991 (Act.) A sample ordinance for use by local agencies may be found in Appendix A of the document at the California Integrated Waste Management's web site at: <http://www.ciwmb.ca.gov/Publications/LocalAsst/31000012.doc>

See also Section 504 for commissioning.

**710.2 Operation and maintenance manual.** At the time of final inspection, a manual which includes all of the following shall be placed in the building:

1. Directions to the owner or occupant that the manual shall remain with the building throughout the life-cycle of the structure.
2. Operation and maintenance instructions for the following.
  - a. Equipment and appliances.
  - b. Roof and yard drainage, including gutters and downspouts.
  - c. Air filters.
  - d. Landscape irrigation systems.
3. Information from local utility, water and waste recovery providers on methods to further reduce resource consumption and recycle.
4. Public transportation and/or carpool options available in the area.
5. Educational material on the positive impacts of an interior relative humidity between 30-60% and what methods an occupant may use to maintain the relative humidity level in that range.
6. Information about water conserving landscape and irrigation design and controllers which conserve water.
7. Instructions for maintaining gutters and downspouts and importance of diverting water at least five feet away from foundation.
8. Information on required routine maintenance measures, including but not limited to, caulking, painting, grading around building, etc.

## CHAPTER 8

### ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

#### SECTION 801 GENERAL

**801.1 Scope.** The provisions of this chapter shall outline means of reducing the quantity of air contaminants that are odorous, irritating, and/or harmful to the comfort and well-being of a building's installers, occupants, and neighbors.

#### SECTION 802 DEFINITIONS

**802.1 Definitions.** The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this chapter and as used elsewhere in this code, have the meanings shown herein.

**AGRIFIBER PRODUCTS.** Agrifiber products include wheatboard, strawboard, panel substrates and door cores, not including furniture, fixtures and equipment (FF&E) not considered base building elements

**COMPOSITE WOOD PRODUCTS.** Composite wood products include hardwood plywood, particleboard, and medium density fiberboard. Composite wood products does not include hardboard, structural plywood, structural panels, structural composite lumber, oriented strand board, glued laminated timber as specified in "Structural Glued Laminated Timber" (ANSI A190.1-2002) or prefabricated wood I-joists.

**HVAC UNITS, SMALL.** Those containing less than 0.5 lbs of refrigerant.

**INTERIOR, BUILDING.** The inside of the weatherproofing system.

**MERV.** Filter minimum efficiency reporting value, based on ASHRAE 52.2-1999.

**MOISTURE CONTENT.** The weight of the water in wood expressed in percentage of the weight of the oven-dry wood.

**MULTI-OCCUPANT SPACES.** Indoor spaces used for presentations and training, including classrooms and conference rooms.

**SINGLE OCCUPANT SPACES.** Private offices, workstations in open offices, reception workstations, and ticket booths.

**VOC.** A volatile organic compound broadly defined as a chemical compound based on carbon chains or rings with vapor pressures greater than 0.1 millimeters of mercury at room temperature. These compounds typically contain hydrogen and may contain oxygen, nitrogen and other elements. See CCR Title 17, Section 94508(a).

#### SECTION 803 FIREPLACES (Reserved)

**803.1** Install only a direct-vent sealed-combustion gas or sealed wood-burning fireplace, or a sealed woodstove, and refer to residential requirements in the California Energy Code, Title 24, Part 6, Subchapter 7, Section 150.

#### SECTION 804 POLLUTANT CONTROL

**804.1 Indoor air quality (IAQ) during construction.** Maintain IAQ as provided in Sections 804.1.2 and 804.1.3.

**804.1.2 Temporary ventilation.** Provide temporary ventilation during construction in accordance with Section 121 of the California Energy Code, CCR, Title 24, Part 6, and Chapter 4 of CCR, Title 8, and as follows:

1. Ventilation during construction shall be achieved through openings in the building shell using fans to produce a minimum of three air changes per hour.
2. During dust-producing operations, protect supply and return HVAC system openings from dust.
3. The permanent HVAC system shall only be used during construction if necessary to condition the building within the required temperature range for material and equipment installation. If the HVAC system is used during construction, use return air filters with a Minimum Efficiency Reporting Value (MERV) of 8, based on ASHRAE 52.2-1999, or an average efficiency of 30% based on ASHRAE 52.1-1992. Replace all filters with MERV 13 filters by Section 804.2.3 immediately prior to occupancy.
4. If the building is occupied during demolition or construction, meet or exceed the recommended Control Measures of the Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning National Contractors Association (SMACNA) IAQ Guidelines for Occupied Buildings under Construction, 1995, Chapter 3.

**804.1.3 Additional IAQ measures.** Employ additional measures as follows:

1. [When using generators to generate temporary power, use generators meeting the requirements of CCR, Title 13, Chapter 9, or local ordinance, whichever is more stringent.](#)
2. [Protect on-site absorbent materials from moisture. Remove and replace any materials with evidence of mold, mildew, or moisture infiltration.](#)
3. [Store odorous and high VOC-emitting materials off-site, without packaging, for a sufficient period to allow odors and VOCs to disperse.](#)
4. [When possible, once materials are on the jobsite, install odorous and high VOC-emitting materials prior to those that are porous or fibrous.](#)
5. [Clean oil and dust from ducts prior to use.](#)

**804.2 IAQ post-construction.** [After construction ends, with all interior finishes installed, flush-out the building by supplying continuous ventilation with all air handling units at their maximum outdoor air rate for at least 14 days while maintaining an internal temperature of at least 60°F, and relative humidity no higher than 60%. Occupancy may start after 7 days, provided flush-out continues for the full 14 days. Do not “bake out” the building by increasing the temperature of the space. \(If continuous ventilation is not possible, flush-out must total the equivalent of 14 days of maximum outdoor air.\)](#)

**804.3 Covering of duct openings and protection of mechanical equipment during construction.** [At the time of rough installation, or during storage on the construction site and until final startup of the heating and cooling equipment, all duct and other related air distribution component openings shall be covered with tape, plastic, sheetmetal or other methods acceptable to the enforcing agency to reduce the amount of dust or debris which may collect in the system.](#)

**804.4 Finish material pollutant control.** Finish materials shall comply with Sections 804.4.1 through 804.4.4.

**804.4.1 Adhesives and sealants.** Adhesives used on the project shall meet the requirements of the following standards.

1. Adhesives, adhesive bonding primers, and adhesive primers shall comply with Table 804.4.1.
2. Aerosol adhesives shall meet the requirements of California Code of Regulations, Title 17, commencing with Section 94507, <http://ccr.oal.ca.gov/>.

**804.4.2 Paints and coatings.** Architectural paints and coatings shall comply with Table 804.4.2.

**TABLE 804.4.1  
ADHESIVE VOC LIMIT<sup>1</sup>**

**Less Water and Less Exempt Compounds in Grams per Liter**

<u>Architectural Applications</u>	<u>Current VOC Limit</u>
Indoor Carpet Adhesives	50
Carpet Pad Adhesives	50
Outdoor Carpet Adhesives	150
Wood Flooring Adhesive	100
Rubber Floor Adhesives	60
Subfloor Adhesives	50
Ceramic Tile Adhesives	65
VCT and Asphalt Tile Adhesives	50
Dry Wall and Panel Adhesives	50
Cove Base Adhesives	50
Multipurpose Construction Adhesives	70
Structural Glazing Adhesives	100
Single Ply Roof Membrane Adhesives	250

<sup>1</sup> [For additional information regarding methods to measure the VOC content specified in this table, see South Coast Air Quality Management District Rule 1168: http://www.arb.ca.gov/DRDB/SC/CURHTML/R1168.PDF.](http://www.arb.ca.gov/DRDB/SC/CURHTML/R1168.PDF)

**TABLE 804.4.2  
COATING VOC LIMITS<sup>1, 2</sup>**

**Grams of VOC Per Liter of Coating, Less Water and Less Exempt Compounds**

COATING CATEGORY	<u>CEILING LIMIT*</u>	<u>CURRENT LIMIT</u>	EFFECTIVE DATE	EFFECTIVE DATE
			<b><u>7/1/08</u></b>	
Bond Breakers	350			
Clear Wood Finishes	350	275		

Varnish	350	275		
Sanding Sealers	350	275		
Lacquer	680	275		
Clear Brushing Lacquer	680	275		
Concrete-Curing Compounds	350	100		
Dry-Fog Coatings	400	150		
Fire-Proofing Exterior Coatings	450	350		
Flats	250	100	50	
Floor Coatings	420	50		
Graphic Arts (Sign) Coatings	500			
Industrial Maintenance (IM) Coatings	420	100		
High Temperature IM Coatings		420		
Zinc-Rich IM Primers	420	100		
Japans/Faux Finishing Coatings	700	350		
Magnesite Cement Coatings	600	450		
Mastic Coatings	300			
Metallic Pigmented Coatings	500			
Multi-Color Coatings	420	250		
Nonflat Coatings	250	50		
Nonflat High Gloss	250	50		
Pigmented Lacquer	680	275		
Pre-Treatment Wash Primers	780	420		
Primers, Sealers, and Undercoaters	350	100		
Quick-Dry Enamels	400	50		
Quick-Dry Primers, Sealers, and Undercoaters	350	100		
Recycled Coatings	250			
Roof Coatings	300	50		
Roof Coatings, Aluminum	500	100		
Roof Primers, Bituminous	350			
Rust Preventative Coatings	420	100		
Shellac				
Clear	730			
Pigmented		550		
Specialty Primers	350	100		
Stains	350	100		
Interior	250			
Swimming Pool Coatings				
Repair	650	340		
Other	340			
Waterproofing Sealers	400	100		
Waterproofing Concrete/Masonry Sealers	400	100		
Wood Preservatives				
Below-Ground	350			
Other		350		

<sup>1</sup> The specified limits remain in effect unless revised limits are listed in subsequent columns in the Table of Standards.

<sup>2</sup> For additional information regarding methods to measure the VOC content specified in this table, see South Coast Air Quality Management District Rule 1113: <http://www.arb.ca.gov/DRDB/SC/CURHTML/R1113.PDF>.

**804.4.3 Carpet systems.** All carpet installed in the building interior shall meet the testing and product requirements of one of the following:

1. Carpet and Rug Institute's Green Label or Green Label Plus Program, <http://www.carpet-rug.com/>
2. CDPH Standard Practice for the testing of VOCs (Specification 01350)
3. Department of General Services, California Gold Sustainable Carpet Standard, <http://www.green.ca.gov/EPP/standards.htm>
4. Scientific Certifications Systems Indoor Advantage™ Gold, <http://www.scscertified.com/iaq/indooradvantage.htm>

**804.4.3.1 Carpet cushion.** All carpet cushion installed in the building interior shall meet the requirements of the Carpet and Rug Institute Green Label program.

**804.4.3.2 Carpet adhesive.** All carpet adhesive shall meet the requirements of Table 804.4.1.

**804.4.4 Composite wood products.** Hardwood plywood, particleboard, and medium density fiberboard

composite wood products used on the interior or exterior of the building shall meet the requirements for formaldehyde as specified in Table 804.4.4

**804.4.4.1 Early compliance.** Where complying product is available for non-residential occupancies, meet Phase 2 requirements before the compliance dates indicated in Table 804.4.

**804.4.4.4 Documentation.** Verification of compliance with this section shall be provided as requested by the enforcing agency. Documentation shall include at least one of the following.

1. Product certifications and specifications.
2. Chain of custody certifications.
3. Other methods acceptable to the enforcing agency.

**TABLE 804.4.4**  
**FORMALDEHYDE LIMITS<sup>1</sup>**

Maximum formaldehyde emissions in parts per million.

Product	Phase 1		Phase 2			
	Jan 1, 2009	Jul 1, 2009	Jan 1, 2010	Jan 1, 2011	Jan 1, 2012	Jul 1, 2012
Hardwood Plywood Veneer Core	0.08		0.05			
Hardwood Plywood Composite Core		0.08				0.05
Particle Board	0.18			0.09		
Medium Density Fiberboard	0.21			0.11		
Thin Medium Density Fiberboard <sup>2</sup>	0.21				0.13	

<sup>1</sup> Values in this table are consistent with those developed by the California Air Resources Board. For additional information see California Code of Regulations, Title 17, Section 93120 through 93120.12.

<sup>2</sup> Thin medium density fiberboard has a maximum thickness of eight millimeters.

**804.4.5 Resilient flooring systems.** Comply with the VOC-emission limits defined in the Collaborative for High Performance Schools (CHPS) Low-emitting Materials List, [www.chps.net/manual/lem\\_table.htm](http://www.chps.net/manual/lem_table.htm).

**804.4.6 Thermal Insulation.** Comply with Chapter 12-13 in Title 24, Part 12, the California Referenced Standards Code, and with the VOC-emission limits defined in CHPS Low-emitting Materials List, [www.chps.net/manual/lem\\_table.htm](http://www.chps.net/manual/lem_table.htm).

**804.4.7 Acoustical ceilings and wall panels.** Comply with Chapter 8 in Title 24, Part 2, the California Building Code, and with the VOC-emission limits defined in the CHPS Low-emitting Materials List, [www.chps.net/manual/lem\\_table.htm](http://www.chps.net/manual/lem_table.htm).

**804.5 Hazardous particulates and chemical pollutants.** Minimize and control pollutant entry into buildings and cross-contamination of regularly occupied areas.

**804.5.1 Entryway systems.** Install permanent entryway systems measuring at least six feet in the primary direction of travel to capture dirt and particulates at entryways directly connected to the outdoors.

1. Qualifying entryways are those that serve as regular entry points for building users.
2. Acceptable entryway systems include, but are not limited to, permanently installed grates, grilles, or slotted systems that allow cleaning underneath.
3. Roll-out mats are acceptable only when maintained regularly by janitorial contractors as documented in service contract, or by in-house staff as documented by written policies and procedures.

**804.5.2 Isolation of pollutant sources.** In rooms where activities produce hazardous fumes or chemicals, such as garages, janitorial or laundry rooms, and copy or printing rooms, exhaust them and isolate them from their adjacent rooms.

1. Exhaust each space with no air recirculation in accordance with ASHRAE 62.1, Table 6-4 to create negative pressure with respect to adjacent spaces with the doors to the room closed.
2. For each space, provide self-closing doors and deck to deck partitions or a hard ceiling.
3. Install low-noise, vented range hoods for all cooking appliances and in laboratory or other chemical mixing areas.

**804.5.3 Filters.** In mechanically ventilated buildings, provide regularly occupied areas of the building with air filtration media for outside and return air prior to occupancy that provides at least a Minimum Efficiency Reporting Value (MERV) of 13.

**804.6 Ozone depletion and global warming reductions.** Installations of HVAC, refrigeration, and fire suppression equipment shall comply with Sections 804.6.1, and optionally Section 804.6.2.

**804.6.1 Chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs.)** Install HVAC, refrigeration and fire suppression equipment that do not contain CFCs.

**804.6.2 Hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs) and Halons.** Install HVAC, refrigeration and fire suppression equipment that do not contain HCFCs or Halons.

**Exception:** Small HVAC and other equipment such as standard refrigerators, small water coolers, and any other cooling equipment that contains less than .5 pounds of refrigerant.

**804.7 Environmental tobacco smoke (ETS) control.** Prohibit smoking within 25 feet of building entries, outdoor air intakes and operable windows and in buildings; or as enforced by ordinances, regulations, or policies of any city, county, city and county, California Community College, campus of the California State University, or campus of the University of California, whichever are more stringent.

## **SECTION 805** **INDOOR MOISTURE CONTROL**

**805.1 Indoor moisture control.** Buildings shall meet or exceed the provisions of California Building Code, CCR, Title 24, Part 2, Sections 1203 and Chapter 14. For additional measures not applicable to low-rise residential occupancies, see Section 707.2 of this code.

**805.2 Concrete slab foundations.** Concrete slab foundations required to have a vapor retarder by California Building Code, CCR, Title 24, Part 2, Chapter 19 shall also comply with this section.

**805.2.1 Capillary break.** A capillary break shall be installed in compliance with at least one of the following.

1. A 4 inch (101.6 mm) thick base of ½ inch (12.7 mm) or larger clean aggregate shall be provided with a vapor barrier in direct contact with concrete and a concrete mix design which will address bleeding, shrinkage, and curling shall be used. For additional information, see ACI 302.2R-06.
2. Other equivalent methods approved by the enforcing agency.
3. A slab design specified by a licensed design professional.

**805.3 Moisture content of building materials.** Building materials with visible signs of water damage shall not be installed. Wall and floor framing shall not be enclosed when the framing members exceed 19% moisture content. Moisture content shall be verified in compliance with the following:

1. Moisture content shall be determined with either a probe-type or a contact-type moisture meter.
2. Moisture readings shall be taken at a point 2 feet (610 mm) to 4 feet (1219 mm) from the grade stamped end of each piece to be verified.
3. At least three random moisture readings shall be performed on wall and floor framing with documentation acceptable to the enforcing agency provided at the time of approval to enclose the wall and floor framing.

Insulation products which are visibly wet or have a high moisture content shall be replaced or allowed to dry prior to enclosure in wall or floor cavities. Wet applied insulation products shall follow the manufacturers drying recommendations prior to enclosure.

## **SECTION 806** **INDOOR AIR QUALITY AND EXHAUST**

**806.1 Outside air delivery.** For mechanically or naturally ventilated spaces in buildings, meet the minimum requirements of Section 121 of the California Energy Code, CCR, Title 24, Part 6 and Chapter 4 of CCR, Title 8, or the applicable local code, whichever is more stringent.

**806.2 Carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) monitoring.** Install permanent CO<sub>2</sub> monitoring equipment that permits adjustment of ventilation system controls and set points that can be adjusted based on human occupancy. CO<sub>2</sub> sensors and ventilation controls shall be specified and installed in accordance with the requirements of the latest edition of the California Energy Code, CCR, Title 24, Part 6, Section 121(c).

**Exception:** In buildings without energy management systems, monitoring equipment shall trigger alarms to alert facilities operators or occupants of ventilation deficiencies.

**806.3 Bathroom exhaust fans.** Except when a whole house ventilation system is used, a mechanical exhaust fan shall be provided in each room containing a bathtub, shower, or tub/shower combination. Mechanical exhaust fans shall comply with the following.

1. Exhaust system shall comply with ASHRAE 62.2, Section 5.
2. Exhaust fans shall be ENERGY STAR compliant and terminate outside the building.

**Exception:** Multiple bathrooms using a common multiple port fan.

806.4 Filters. Heating and air conditioning filters shall be rated at MERV 6 or higher. Duct system design shall account for pressure drop across the filter.

**SECTION 807**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL COMFORT**  
**(Reserved)**

807.1 Lighting and thermal comfort controls. Provide controls in the workplace as described in Sections 807.1.1 and 807.1.2.

807.1.1 Single-occupant spaces. Provide individual controls that meet energy use requirements in the 2007 California Energy Code in accordance with Sections 807.1.1.1 and 807.1.1.2.

807.1.1.1 Lighting. Provide individual task lighting and/or daylighting controls for at least 90% of the building occupants.

807.1.1.2 Thermal comfort. Provide individual thermal comfort controls for at least 50% of the building occupants.

1. Occupants shall have control over at least one of the factors of air temperature, radiant temperature, air speed, and humidity as described in ASHRAE 55-2004.
2. Occupants inside 20 feet of the plane of and within 10 feet either side of operable windows can substitute windows to control thermal comfort. The areas of operable window must meet the requirements of Section 121 of the California Energy Code

807.1.2 Multi-occupant spaces. Provide lighting and thermal comfort system controls for all shared multi-occupant spaces, such as classrooms and conference rooms.

807.2 Verification of indoor environmental quality. Within a period of six to 18 months after occupancy, conduct an indoor environmental survey of building occupants.

1. Collect voluntary anonymous responses about indoor environmental quality, including thermal comfort, air quality, lighting, acoustics, daylighting, and operable windows.
2. Take corrective action if the survey results indicate that more than 20% of surveyed occupants are dissatisfied with thermal comfort, or if more than 5% complain of odor, irritation, fatigue, nausea, and respiratory problems arising from the workplace.
3. Samples of survey format and appropriate responses may be found at <http://www.cbe.berkeley.edu/RESEARCH/survey.htm>.

807.3 Daylight. Provide daylit spaces as required for toplighting and sidelighting in the 2007 California Energy Code. In constructing a design, consider the following:

1. Use of light shelves and reflective room surfaces to maximize daylight penetrating the rooms.
2. Means to eliminate glare and direct sun light, including through skylights.
3. Use of photosensors to turn off electric lighting when daylight is sufficient.
4. Not using diffuse daylighting glazing where views are desired.

807.4 Views. Achieve direct line of sight to the outdoor environment via vision glazing between 2'6" and 7'6" above finish floor for building occupants in 90% of all regularly occupied areas as demonstrated by plan view and section cut diagrams.

807.4.1 Interior office spaces. Entire areas of interior office spaces may be included in the calculation if at least 75% of each area has direct line of sight to perimeter vision glazing.

807.4.2 Multi-occupant spaces. Include in the calculation the square footage with direct line of sight to perimeter vision glazing.

Exceptions to Sections 807.3 and 807.4: Copy/printing rooms, storage areas, mechanical spaces, restrooms, auditoria, and other intermittently or infrequently occupied spaces or spaces where daylight would interfere with use of the space.

807.5 Acoustical control. Employ building assemblies and components with Sound Transmission Coefficient (STC) values determined in accordance with ASTM E90 and ASTM E413.

807.5.1 Exterior noise transmission. Wall and roof-ceiling assemblies making up the building envelope shall have an STC of at least 50, and exterior windows shall have a minimum STC of 30 for any of the following building locations:

1. Within 1000 ft. (300 m.) of freeways.
2. Within 5 mi. (8 km.) of airports serving more than 10,000 commercial jets per year.
3. Where sound levels at the property line regularly exceed 65 decibels, other than occasional sound due to church bells, train horns, emergency vehicles and public warning systems.

807.5.2 Interior sound. Wall and floor-ceiling assemblies separating tenant spaces and tenant spaces and public places shall have an STC of at least 50.

**SECTION 808**  
**OUTDOOR AIR QUALITY**  
**(Reserved)**

**CHAPTER 9**  
**REFERENCED STANDARDS**

**SECTION 901**

**GENERAL**

**901.1** This chapter lists the standards that are referenced in various sections of this document. The standards are listed herein by the promulgating agency of the standard.

<b>AAMA</b> American Architectural Manufacturers Association
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<b>ANSI</b> American National Standards Institute
Operations Office
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<a href="http://www.ansi.org">www.ansi.org</a>
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<a href="http://www.ashrae.org">www.ashrae.org</a>
<b>ASME</b> American Society of Mechanical Engineers
Three Park Avenue
New York, NY 10016-5990
<a href="http://www.asme.org">www.asme.org</a>
<b>ASTM</b> ASTM International
100 Barr Harbor Drive
West Conshohocken, PA 19428-2859
<a href="http://www.astm.org">www.astm.org</a>
<b>CSA</b> Canadian Standards Association
5060 Spectrum Way, Suite 100
Mississauga, Ontario, Canada L4W 5N6
<a href="http://www.csa.ca">www.csa.ca</a>
<b>CTI</b> Cooling Technology Institute
2611 FM 1960 West, Suite A-101
Houston, TX 77068-3730
<a href="http://www.cti.org">www.cti.org</a>
<b>DOE</b> U.S. Department of Energy
1000 Independence Ave., SW
Washington, DC 20585
<a href="http://www.energy.gov">www.energy.gov</a>
<b>HI</b> Hydronics Institute, Division of the Gas Appliance Manufacturers Association

P.O. Box 218
Berkeley Heights, NJ 07054
<a href="http://www.gamanet.org">www.gamanet.org</a>
<b>IAPMO</b> International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials
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Ontario, CA 91761
<a href="http://www.iapmo.org">www.iapmo.org</a>
<b>ICC</b> International Code Council, Inc.
National Headquarters
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6 <sup>th</sup> Floor
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<a href="http://www.iccsafe.org">www.iccsafe.org</a>
California Office
Los Angeles District Office
5360 Workman Mill Road
Whittier, CA 90601
<a href="http://www.iccsafe.org">www.iccsafe.org</a>
<b>NFPA</b> National Fire Protection Association
1 Batterymarch Park
Quincy, Massachusetts
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<a href="http://www.nfpa.org">www.nfpa.org</a>
<b>NFRC</b> National Fenestration Rating Council, Inc.
6305 Ivy Lane, Suite 140
Greenbelt, MD 20770
<a href="http://www.nfrc.org">www.nfrc.org</a>
<b>SMACNA</b> Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors National Association, Inc.
4021 Lafayette Center Drive
Chantilly, VA 20151-1209
<a href="http://www.smacna.org">www.smacna.org</a>
<b>UL</b> Underwriters Laboratories Inc.
Headquarters
333 Pfingsten Road
Northbrook, IL 60062-2096
<a href="http://www.ul.com">www.ul.com</a>
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1400 East Touhy Avenue, Suite 470
Des Plaines, IL 60018
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**CHAPTER 10**

**INSTALLER AND THIRD PARTY QUALIFICATIONS**

**SECTION 1001**

**GENERAL**

**(Reserved)**

**SECTION 1002**  
**QUALIFICATIONS**

**(Reserved)**

**SECTION 1003**  
**VERIFICATIONS**

**(Reserved)**

**CHAPTER 11**

**GREEN APPLICATION CHECKLIST (AC-BSC)**

<b><u>GREEN BUILDING MEASURE</u></b>	<b><u>REQUIRED</u></b>	<b><u>OPTIONAL</u></b>	<b><u>REQUIRED 3<sup>RD</sup> PARTY VERIFICATION</u></b>
<b><u>PLANNING AND DESIGN</u></b>			
<b><u>SITE DEVELOPMENT</u></b> <b>(406)</b>			
<b><u>406.1 General.</u></b> Preservation and use of available natural resources shall be accomplished through evaluation and careful planning to minimize negative effects on the site and adjacent areas. Preservation of slopes, management of storm water drainage and erosion controls shall comply with this section.		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b><u>406.2 Storm water drainage and retention during construction.</u></b> Projects which disturb less than one acre of soil and are not part of a larger common plan of development which in total disturbs one acre or more, shall develop and implement a plan to manage storm water drainage during construction. Use one or more of the following methods: 1. Retention basins of sufficient size shall be utilized to retain storm water on the site. 2. Where storm water is conveyed to a public drainage system, collection point, gutter, or similar disposal method, water shall be filtered by use of a barrier system, wattles, or other method approved by the enforcing agency. 3. Compliance with a lawfully enacted storm water management ordinance.		<input type="checkbox"/>   <input type="checkbox"/>   <input type="checkbox"/>   <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b><u>ENERGY EFFICIENCY</u></b>			
<b><u>PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS</u></b> <b>(503)</b>			
<b><u>503.1 Energy performance.</u></b> Using an Alternative Calculation Method approved by the California Energy Commission, calculate each nonresidential building's TDV energy and CO <sub>2</sub> emissions, and compare it to the standard or "budget" building.  <b><u>503.1.1 Tier 1.</u></b> Exceed 2007 California Energy Code requirements by 15%. <b><u>503.1.2 Tier 2.</u></b> Exceed 2007 California Energy Code requirements by 30%.		<input type="checkbox"/>  <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b><u>PRESCRIPTIVE MEASURES</u></b> <b>(504)</b>			
<b><u>504.1 ENERGY STAR equipment and appliances.</u></b> All equipment and appliances provided by the builder shall be ENERGY STAR labeled if ENERGY STAR is applicable to that equipment or appliance		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b><u>504.2 Energy monitoring.</u></b> Provide sub-metering or equivalent combinations of sensor measurements and thermodynamic calculations, if appropriate, to record energy use data for each major energy system in the building.		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b><u>504.3 Demand response.</u></b> HVAC systems with Direct Digital Control Systems and centralized lighting systems shall include pre-programmed			



<b>GREEN BUILDING MEASURE</b>	<b>REQUIRED</b>	<b>OPTIONAL</b>	<b>REQUIRED 3<sup>RD</sup> PARTY VERIFICATION</b>
<p><b>504.5 Building orientation and shading.</b>  Locate, orient and shade the building as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Long sides facing north and south</li> <li>2. Exterior shade for south-facing windows during peak cooling season</li> <li>3. Vertical shading for east-facing windows</li> <li>4. Vertical shading for west-facing windows</li> <li>5. Protect the building from thermal loss, drafts, and degradation of the building envelope caused by wind and wind-driven materials.</li> </ol>		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>RENEWABLE ENERGY (511)</b>			
<p><b>511.1 On-site renewable energy.</b> Use on-site renewable energy for at least 1% of the electrical service overcurrent protection device rating calculated in accordance with the 2007 California Electrical Code, or 1KW, whichever is greater, in addition to the electrical demand required to meet 1% of natural gas and propane use calculated in accordance with the 2007 California Plumbing Code.</p> <p><b>511.1.1 Documentation.</b> Calculate renewable on-site system to meet the requirements of Section 511.1. Factor in net-metering, if offered by local utility, on an annual basis.</p> <p><b>511.2 Green Power.</b> Participate in the local utility's renewable energy portfolio program that provides a minimum of 50% electrical power from renewable sources. Maintain documentation through utility billings.</p>		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>ELEVATORS, ESCALATORS, AND OTHER EQUIPMENT (512)</b>			
<p><b>512.1 Elevators and escalators.</b> In buildings with more than one elevator or two escalators, provide controls to reduce the energy demand of elevators and reduce the speed of escalators. Document the controls in the project specifications and commissioning plan.</p> <p><b>512.1.1 Controls.</b> Controls that reduce energy demand shall meet requirements of CCR, Title 8, Chapter 4, Subchapter 6 and shall not interrupt emergency operations for elevators required in CCR, T24, Part 2.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>ENERGY EFFICIENT STEEL FRAMING (513)</b>			
<p><b>513.1 Steel framing.</b> Design for and employ techniques to avoid thermal bridging.</p>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>WATER EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION INDOOR WATER USE (603)</b>			
<p><b>603.1 Meters.</b> Separate meters or submeters shall be installed for indoor and outdoor potable water use.</p> <p><b>603.2 20% Savings.</b> A schedule of plumbing fixtures and fixture fittings that will reduce the overall use of potable water within the building by 20% shall be provided.  (Calculate savings by Water Use Worksheets.)</p> <p><b>603.3 Appliances.</b></p>		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	

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<p><a href="#">1. Clothes washers shall have a maximum Water Factor (WF) that will reduce the use of water.</a></p> <p><a href="#">2. Dishwashers shall meet the criteria in 603.3(2)(a) and (b).</a></p> <p><a href="#">3. Ice makers shall be air cooled.</a></p> <p><a href="#">4. Food steamers shall be connection-less or boiler-less.</a></p> <p><a href="#">5. The use and installation of water softeners shall be limited or prohibited by local agencies.</a></p>		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
<p><b>603.4 Wastewater reduction.</b> Each building shall reduce the generation of wastewater by one of the following methods:</p> <p><a href="#">1. The installation of water-conserving fixtures or using non-potable water systems.</a></p> <p><a href="#">2. Treat wastewater on-site to tertiary standards.</a></p>		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
<p><b>603.5 Dual plumbing.</b> New buildings and facilities shall be dual plumbed for potable and recycled water systems</p>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b><u>OUTDOOR WATER USE</u></b> <b>(604)</b>			
<p><b>604.1 Water budget.</b> A water budget shall be developed for landscape irrigation use.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<p><b>604.2 Potable water reduction.</b> Provide water efficient landscape irrigation design that reduces by 50% the use of potable water. Methods used to accomplish the requirements of this section shall include, but not be limited to, the items listed in 604.2.</p>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<p><b>604.3 Potable water elimination.</b> Provide a water efficient landscape irrigation design that eliminates the use of potable water beyond the initial requirements for plant installation and establishment. Methods used to accomplish the requirements of this section shall include, but not be limited to, the items listed in 604.3.</p>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<p><b>604.4 Graywater irrigation system.</b> Install graywater collection system for onsite subsurface irrigation using graywater.</p>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<p><b>604.5 Rainwater or stormwater collection systems.</b> Constructed water collection devices may store water for landscape irrigation.</p>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b><u>MATERIAL CONSERVATION AND RESOURCE EFFICIENCY</u></b>			
<b><u>EFFICIENT FRAMING SYSTEMS</u></b> <b>(704)</b>			
<p><b>704.1 Wood framing.</b> Employ advanced wood framing techniques, or OVE, as permitted by the enforcing agency.</p>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b><u>MATERIAL SOURCES</u></b> <b>(705)</b>			
<p><b>705.1 Regional materials.</b> Select building materials or products for permanent installation on the project that have been harvested or manufactured in California or within 500 miles of the project site, meeting the criteria listed in 705.1.</p>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<p><b>705.2 Bio-based materials.</b> Select bio-based</p>			



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<a href="#">707.2.2 Entries and openings.</a> Design exterior entries and openings to prevent water intrusion into buildings.		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>CONSTRUCTION WASTE REDUCTION, DISPOSAL AND RECYCLING (708)</b>			
<a href="#">708.1 Construction waste diversion.</a> Establish a construction waste management plan or meet local ordinance, whichever is more stringent.		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<a href="#">708.2 Construction waste management plan.</a> Submit plan per this section to enforcement authority.		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<a href="#">708.3 Construction waste.</a> Recycle and/or salvage for reuse a minimum of 50% of non-hazardous construction and demolition debris or meet local ordinance, whichever is more stringent. <b>Exceptions:</b> 1. Excavated soil and land-clearing debris. 2. Alternate waste reduction methods developed by working with local agencies if diversion or recycle facilities capable of compliance with this item do not exist.		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<a href="#">708.4 Excavated soil and land clearing debris.</a> 100% of trees, stumps, rocks and associated vegetation and soils resulting primarily from land clearing shall be reused or recycled.		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENT (709)</b>			
<a href="#">709.1 Materials and system assemblies.</a> Select materials assemblies based on life cycle assessment of their embodied energy and/or green house gas emission potentials. See 709.1.1 and 709.1.2 for available tools.		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>BUILDING MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION (709)</b>			
<a href="#">710.1 Recycling by occupants.</a> Provide readily accessible areas that serve the entire building and are identified for the depositing, storage, and collection of non-hazardous materials for recycling.	<input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY</b>			
<b>FIREPLACES (803)</b>			
<a href="#">803.1</a> Install only a direct-vent sealed-combustion gas or sealed wood-burning fireplace, or a sealed woodstove, and refer to residential requirements in the California Energy Code, Title 24, Part 6, Subchapter 7, Section 150.		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>POLLUTANT CONTROL (804)</b>			
<a href="#">804.1 Indoor air quality (IAQ) during construction.</a> Maintain IAQ as provided in Sections 804.1.1 and 804.1.2. <a href="#">804.1.2 Temporary ventilation.</a> Provide temporary ventilation during construction in accordance with Section 121 of the California Energy Code, CCR, Title 24, Part 6, and		<input type="checkbox"/>	



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<p><a href="#">CHPS Low-emitting Materials List.</a></p> <p><b>804.4.6 Thermal Insulation.</b> <a href="#">Comply with Chapter 12-13 in Title 24, Part 12 and with the VOC-emission limits defined in CHPS Low-emitting Materials List.</a></p> <p><b>804.4.7 Acoustical ceilings and wall panels.</b> <a href="#">Comply with Chapter 8 in Title 24, Part 2 and with the VOC-emission limits defined in the CHPS Low-emitting Materials List</a></p>		<input type="checkbox"/>  <input type="checkbox"/>	
<p><b>804.5 Hazardous particulates and chemical pollutants.</b> <a href="#">Minimize and control pollutant entry into buildings and cross-contamination of regularly occupied areas.</a></p> <p><b>804.5.1 Entryway systems.</b> <a href="#">Install permanent entryway systems measuring at least six feet in the primary direction of travel to capture dirt and particulates at entryways directly connected to the outdoors as listed in Items 1 through 3 in 804.5.1.</a></p> <p><b>804.5.2 Isolation of pollutant sources.</b> <a href="#">In rooms where activities produce hazardous fumes or chemicals, exhaust them and isolate them from their adjacent rooms as listed in Items 1 through 3 in 804.5.2.</a></p> <p><b>804.5.3 Filters.</b> <a href="#">In mechanically ventilated buildings, provide regularly occupied areas of the building with air filtration media for outside and return air prior to occupancy that provides at least a MERV of 13.</a></p>		<input type="checkbox"/>  <input type="checkbox"/>  <input type="checkbox"/>	
<p><b>804.6 Ozone depletion and global warming reductions.</b> <a href="#">Installations of HVAC, refrigeration, and fire suppression equipment shall comply with Sections 804.3.1, and optionally Section 804.3.2.</a></p> <p><b>804.6.1 CFCs.</b> <a href="#">Install HVAC, refrigeration and fire suppression equipment that do not contain CFCs.</a></p> <p><b>804.6.2 HCFCs and Halons.</b> <a href="#">Install HVAC, refrigeration and fire suppression equipment that do not contain HCFCs or Halons.</a></p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<p><b>804.7 Environmental tobacco smoke (ETS) control.</b> <a href="#">Prohibit smoking within 25 feet of building entries, outdoor air intakes and operable windows and in buildings by either Section 804.4.1 or 804.4.2; or as enforced by local ordinances, regulations, or policies, whichever are more stringent.</a></p>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<p><b>INDOOR MOISTURE AND RADON CONTROL (805)</b></p>			
<p><b>805.1 Indoor moisture control.</b> <a href="#">Buildings shall meet or exceed the provisions of California Building Code, CCR, Title 24, Part 2, Sections 1203 and Chapter 14.</a></p>		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<p><b>AIR QUALITY AND EXHAUST (806)</b></p>			
<p><b>806.1 Outside air delivery.</b> <a href="#">For mechanically or naturally ventilated spaces in buildings, meet the minimum requirements of Section 121 of the California Energy Code, CCR, Title 24, Part 6 and Chapter 4 of CCR, Title 8, or the applicable</a></p>	<input type="checkbox"/>		



<b><u>GREEN BUILDING MEASURE</u></b>	<b><u>REQUIRED</u></b>	<b><u>OPTIONAL</u></b>	<b><u>REQUIRED 3<sup>RD</sup> PARTY VERIFICATION</u></b>
<p><b><u>807.5 Acoustical control.</u></b> <u>Employ building assemblies and components with STC values determined in accordance with ASTM E90 and ASTM E413.</u></p> <p><b><u>807.5.1 Exterior noise transmission.</u></b> <u>Wall and floor-ceiling assemblies making up the building envelope shall have an STC of at least 50, and exterior windows shall have a minimum STC of 30 for any of the building locations listed in Items 1 through 3 in 807.5.1.</u></p> <p><b><u>807.5.2 Interior sound.</u></b> <u>Wall and floor-ceiling assemblies separating tenant spaces and tenant spaces and public places shall have an STC of at least 50.</u></p>		<input data-bbox="998 205 1027 233" type="checkbox"/>  <input data-bbox="998 401 1027 428" type="checkbox"/>  <input data-bbox="998 537 1027 564" type="checkbox"/>	

**APPLICATION CHECKLIST (AC-HCD)**

<b><u>GREEN BUILDING MEASURE</u></b>	<b><u>REQUIRED</u></b>	<b><u>OPTIONAL</u></b>	<b><u>REQUIRED 3<sup>RD</sup> PARTY VERIFICATION</u></b>
<b>PLANNING AND DESIGN</b>			
<b>Site Development (406)</b>			
<b>406.2</b> <u>A plan is developed and implemented to manage storm water drainage during construction.</u>	<u>2010 CBC<sup>1</sup></u>		
<b>ENERGY EFFICIENCY</b>			
<b>Performance Approach. (503)</b>			
<b>503.2 Minimum requirements.</b> <u>Low-rise residential buildings shall meet or exceed the minimum standard design required by the California Energy Standards currently in effect.</u>	<u>2010 CBC<sup>1</sup></u>		
<b>Prescriptive Approach. (504)</b>			
<b>504.6 Minimum requirements.</b> <u>Low-rise residential buildings shall meet or exceed the minimum standard design required by the California Energy Standards currently in effect.</u>	<u>2010 CBC<sup>1</sup></u>		
<b>AIR SEALING PACKAGE (506)</b>			
<b>506.1 Joints and openings.</b> <u>Joints and other openings at the following locations:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>1. Exterior joints around window and door frames, including doors between the house and garage, between interior HVAC closets and unconditioned space, between attic and underfloor access and conditioned space and between wall sole plates, floors, exterior panels and all siding materials.</u></li> <li><u>2. Openings for plumbing, electrical and gas lines in exterior walls and interior wall, ceilings and floors.</u></li> <li><u>3. Openings into the attic.</u></li> <li><u>4. Exhaust ducts from clothes dryers and other exhaust fans shall have a damper.</u></li> <li><u>5. Cuts or notches in exterior wall plates.</u></li> </ol>	<u>2010 CBC<sup>1</sup></u>		
<b>506.1.1 Other openings.</b> <u>Whole house fan louvers shall close tightly and be insulated</u>			

<u>or covered to a minimum of R-4.2.</u>			
<b><u>WATER EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION</u></b>			
<b><u>Indoor Water Use (603)</u></b>			
<u>603.2 Indoor water use shall be reduced by 20% using one of the follow methods.</u> 1. <u>Water saving fixtures or flow restrictors shall be used.</u> 2. <u>A 20% reduction in baseline water use shall be demonstrated.</u>	<u>7/01/2011</u>		
<u>603.2.1 Multiple showerheads shall not exceed maximum flow rates.</u>	<u>7/01/2011</u>		
<b><u>MATERIAL CONSERVATION AND RESOURCE EFFICIENCY</u></b>			
<b><u>Construction Waste Reduction, Disposal and Recycling (708)</u></b>			
<u>708.—A minimum of 50% of the construction waste generated at the site is diverted to recycle or salvage.</u> <u>Exception: Alternate waste reduction methods are developed by working with local agencies if diversion or recycle facilities capable of compliance with this item do not exist.</u>	<u>2010 CBC<sup>1</sup></u>		
<b><u>Building Maintenance and Operation (710)</u></b>			
<u>710.2 An operation and maintenance manual shall be provided to the building occupant or owner.</u>	<u>2010 CBC<sup>1</sup></u>		
<b><u>INDOOR ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY</u></b>			
<b><u>Pollutant Control (804)</u></b>			
<u>804.4.1 Adhesives shall be No- or Low-VOC.</u>	<u>2010 CBC<sup>1</sup></u>		
<u>804.4.2 Paints, stains and other coatings shall be No- or Low-VOC.</u>	<u>2010 CBC<sup>1</sup></u>		
<u>804.4.3 Carpet and carpet systems shall be Low-VOC.</u>	<u>2010 CBC<sup>1</sup></u>		
<u>804.4.4 Particleboard, medium density fiberboard (MDF), and</u>	<u>2010 CBC<sup>1</sup></u>		

<u>plywood used in interior finish systems shall comply with low formaldehyde emission standards.</u>			
<b>Interior Moisture Control (805)</b>			
<u>805.2 Vapor retarder and capillary break is installed at slab on grade foundations.</u>	<u>2010 CBC<sup>1</sup></u>		
<u>805.3 Moisture content of wood used in wall and floor framing is checked before enclosure.</u>	<u>2010 CBC<sup>1</sup></u>		
<b>Air Quality and Exhaust (806)</b>			
<u>806.3 Exhaust fans which terminate outside the building are provided in every bathroom.</u>	<u>2010 CBC<sup>1</sup></u>		
<u>806.4 MERV 6, or higher filters are installed on central air and heating systems.</u>	<u>2010 CBC<sup>1</sup></u>		

<sup>1</sup>Unless specified otherwise, this measure shall become effective on the effective date of the 2010 California Building Code.

**APPLICATION CHECKLIST (AC-DSA/SS)**

**(RESERVED)**

GREEN BUILDING MEASURE	REQUIRED	OPTIONAL	REQUIRED 3 <sup>RD</sup> PARTY VERIFICATION
PLANNING AND DESIGN			
(reserved)			
ENERGY EFFICIENCY			
(reserved)			
WATER EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION			
(reserved)			
MATERIAL CONSERVATION AND RESOURCE EFFICIENCY			
(reserved)			
ENVIRONMENTAL AIR QUALITY			
(reserved)			

**GREEN APPLICATION CHECKLIST (AC-OSHPD)**

<b>GREEN BUILDING MEASURE</b>	<b>REQUIRED</b>	<b>OPTIONAL</b>	<b>REQUIRED 3<sup>RD</sup> PARTY VERIFICATION</b>
<b>ENERGY EFFICIENCY</b>			
<b>PRESCRIPTIVE MEASURES (504)</b>			
<b>504.1 ENERGY STAR equipment and appliances.</b> All equipment and appliances provided by the builder shall be ENERGY STAR labeled if ENERGY STAR is applicable to that equipment or appliance		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>504.5 Building orientation and shading.</b> Locate, orient and shade the building as follows: 1. Exterior shade for south-facing windows during peak cooling season 2. Vertical shading for east-facing windows 3. Vertical shading for west-facing windows		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>MATERIAL CONSERVATION AND RESOURCE EFFICIENCY</b>			
<b>CONSTRUCTION WASTE REDUCTION, DISPOSAL AND RECYCLING (708)</b>			
<b>708.1 Construction waste diversion.</b> Establish a construction waste management plan or meet local ordinance, whichever is more stringent.		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>708.3 Construction waste.</b> Recycle and/or salvage for reuse a minimum of 50% of non-hazardous construction and demolition debris. <b>Exceptions:</b> 1. Excavated soil and land-clearing debris. 2. Alternate waste reduction methods developed by working with local agencies if diversion or recycle facilities capable of compliance with this item do not exist.		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>708.4 Excavated soil and land clearing debris.</b> 100% of trees, stumps, rocks and associated vegetation and soils resulting primarily from land clearing shall be reused or recycled.		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>BUILDING MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION (709)</b>			
<b>710.1 Recycling by occupants.</b> Provide readily accessible areas that serve the entire building and are identified for the depositing, storage, and collection of non-hazardous materials for recycling.		<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY</b>			
<b>POLLUTANT CONTROL (804)</b>			
<b>804.4 Finish material pollutant control.</b> Finish materials shall comply with Sections 804.1.1 through 804.1.4.  <b>804.4.1 Adhesives.</b> Adhesives used on the project shall meet the requirements of the following standards. 1. Adhesives, adhesive bonding primers, and adhesive primers shall comply with Table 804.4.1. 2. Aerosol adhesives shall meet the requirements of California Code of Regulations, Title 17, commencing with		<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	





**CHAPTER 11**

**WORKSHEET (WS-1)  
BASELINE WATER USE**

<b>BASELINE WATER USE CALCULATION TABLE</b>										
<u>Fixture Type</u>	<u>Quantity</u>		<u>Flow-rate (gpm)</u>		<u>Duration</u>		<u>Daily uses</u>		<u>Occupants<sup>3,4</sup></u>	<u>Gallons per day</u>
<u>Showerheads</u>		X	<u>2.5</u>	X	<u>5 min.</u>	X	<u>1</u>	X		=
<u>Showerheads Residential</u>		X	<u>2.5</u>	X	<u>8 min.</u>	X	<u>1</u>	X		=
<u>Lavatory Faucets Residential</u>		X	<u>2.2</u>	X	<u>.25 min.</u>	X	<u>3</u>	X		=
<u>Kitchen Faucets</u>		X	<u>2.2</u>	X	<u>4 min.</u>	X	<u>1</u>	X		=
<u>Replacement Aerators</u>		X	<u>2.2</u>	X		X		X		=
<u>Wash Fountains</u>		X	<u>2.2</u>	X		X		X		=
<u>Metering Faucets</u>		X	<u>0.25</u>	X	<u>.25 min.</u>	X	<u>3</u>	X		=
<u>Metering Faucets for Wash Fountains</u>		X	<u>2.2</u>	X	<u>.25 min.</u>	X		X		=
<u>Gravity tank type Water Closets</u>		X	<u>1.6</u>	X	<u>1 flush</u>	X	<u>1 male<sup>1</sup> 3 female</u>	X		=
<u>Flushometer Tank Water Closets</u>		X	<u>1.6</u>	X	<u>1 flush</u>	X	<u>1 male<sup>1</sup> 3 female</u>	X		=
<u>Flushometer Valve Water Closets</u>		X	<u>1.6</u>	X	<u>1 flush</u>	X	<u>1 male<sup>1</sup> 3 female</u>	X		=
<u>Electromechanical Hydraulic Water Closets</u>		X	<u>1.6</u>	X	<u>1 flush</u>	X	<u>1 male<sup>1</sup> 3 female</u>	X		=
<u>Urinals</u>		X	<u>1.0</u>	X	<u>1 flush</u>	X	<u>2 male</u>	X		
<u>Total daily baseline water use (BWU)</u>										=
_____ (BWU) X .80 = _____										<u>Allowable water use</u>

<sup>1</sup> Except for low-rise residential occupancies the daily use number shall be increased to three if urinals are not installed in the room.  
<sup>2</sup> The Flow-rate is from the CEC Appliance Efficiency Standards, Title 20 California Code of Regulations; where a conflict occurs, the CEC standards shall apply.  
<sup>3</sup> For low-rise residential occupancies, the number of occupants shall be based on two persons for the first bedroom, plus one additional person for each additional bedroom.  
<sup>4</sup> For non-residential occupancies, refer to Table A, Chapter 4, 2007 California Plumbing Code, for occupant load factors.

**WORKSHEET (WS-2)**  
**20% REDUCTION WATER USE CALCULATION TABLE**

<b>20% REDUCTION WATER USE CALCULATION TABLE</b>										
<b>Fixture Type</b>	<b>Quantity</b>		<b>Flow-rate (gpm)</b>		<b>Duration</b>		<b>Daily uses</b>		<b>Occupants<sup>3,4</sup></b>	<b>Gallons per day</b>
<u>Showerheads</u>		X		X	<u>5 min.</u>	X	<u>1</u>	X		≡
<u>Showerheads Residential</u>		X		X	<u>8 min.</u>	X	<u>1</u>	X		≡
<u>Lavatory Faucets Residential</u>		X		X	<u>25 min.</u>	X	<u>3</u>	X		≡
<u>Kitchen Faucets</u>		X		X	<u>4 min.</u>	X	<u>1</u>	X		≡
<u>Replacement Aerators</u>		X		X		X		X		≡
<u>Wash Fountains</u>		X		X		X		X		≡
<u>Metering Faucets</u>		X		X	<u>.25 min.</u>	X	<u>3</u>	X		≡
<u>Metering Faucets for Wash Fountains</u>		X		X	<u>.25 min.</u>	X		X		≡
<u>Gravity tank type Water Closets</u>		X		X	<u>1 flush</u>	X	<u>1 male<sup>1</sup> 3 female</u>	X		≡
<u>HET<sup>5</sup> High Efficiency Toilet</u>		X	<u>1.28</u>	X	<u>1 flush</u>	X	<u>1 male<sup>1</sup> 3 female</u>	X		≡
<u>Flushometer Tank Water Closets</u>		X		X	<u>1 flush</u>	X	<u>1 male<sup>1</sup> 3 female</u>	X		≡
<u>Flushometer Valve Water Closets</u>		X		X	<u>1 flush</u>	X	<u>1 male<sup>1</sup> 3 female</u>	X		≡
<u>Electromechanical Hydraulic Water Closets</u>		X		X	<u>1 flush</u>	X	<u>1 male<sup>1</sup> 3 female</u>	X		≡
<u>Blowout Water Closets</u>		X		X	<u>1 flush</u>	X	<u>1 male<sup>1</sup> 3 female</u>	X		≡
<u>Urinals</u>		X		X	<u>1 flush</u>	X	<u>2 male</u>	X		
<u>Urinals Non-Water Supplied</u>		X	<u>0.0</u>	X	<u>1 flush</u>	X	<u>2 male</u>	X		≡
<u>Proposed water use</u>										≡
<u>(BWU from GW-1) X .80 =</u>										<u>Allowable water use</u>

<sup>1</sup> Except for low-rise residential occupancies the daily use number shall be increased to three if urinals are not installed in the room.  
<sup>2</sup> The Flow-rate is from the CEC Appliance Efficiency Standards, Title 20 California Code of Regulations; where a conflict occurs, the CEC standards shall apply.  
<sup>3</sup> For low-rise residential occupancies, the number of occupants shall be based on two persons for the first bedroom, plus one additional person for each additional bedroom.  
<sup>4</sup> For non-residential occupancies, refer to Table A, Chapter 4, 2007 California Plumbing Code, for occupant load factors.  
<sup>5</sup> Water closet with an effective flush rate of 1.28 gallons or less when tested per ASME A112.19.2 and ASME A112.19.14.

**APPENDIX A**  
**COMMENTARY OF ADDITIONAL DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS**

**SECTION A101**  
**GENERAL**

**A101.1 Scope.** The measures contained in this appendix are not mandatory and provide additional considerations which designers, builders, and property owners may wish to consider during the planning, design and construction process.

**SECTION A201**  
**DEFINITIONS**

**A201.1 Scope.** Unless otherwise stated, the words and terms used in this appendix shall, for the purposes of this chapter, have the meanings shown in this code.

**SECTION A301**  
**GREEN BUILDING**

**A301.1 Scope.** Buildings shall be designed to include the green building measures specified as mandatory in the application worksheets contained in Chapter 11 of this code. Optional green building measures may be included but are not required. Additional considerations which designers, builders, and property owners may wish to consider during the planning, design and construction process are contained in this appendix.

**SECTION A401**  
**PLANNING AND DESIGN**

**401.1 Purpose.** The provisions of this chapter outline planning, design and development methods that include environmentally responsible site selection, building design, building siting and development to protect, restore, and enhance the environmental quality of the site and respect the integrity of adjacent properties.

**A402.1 Definitions.**

**BIORETENTION.** A shallow depression that utilizes conditioned soil and vegetation for the storage, treatment, or infiltration of storm water runoff.

**LOW-EMITTING AND FUEL EFFICIENT VEHICLES.** Eligible vehicles are limited to the following:

1. Zero emission vehicle (ZEV), partial zero emission vehicle (PZEV), alternate technology PZEV (AT ZEV), or CNG fueled (Original equipment manufacturer only) regulated under Health and Safety Code section 43800 and CCR, Title 13, sections 1961 and 1962.
2. High efficiency vehicles, regulated by US EPA, bearing Single-Occupant Vehicle (SOV) car pool lane stickers issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles.

**A403.1 Site Selection. (Reserved)**

**A404.1 Site Preservation. (Reserved)**

**A405.1 Deconstruction and Reuse of Existing Structures.**

**A405.1.1** If feasible, disassemble existing buildings instead of demolishing to allow reuse or recycling of building materials.

**A405.1.2 Existing building structure.** Maintain at least 75% of existing building structure (including structural floor and roof decking) and envelope (exterior skin and framing) based on surface area.

**Exceptions:**

1. Window assemblies and non-structural roofing material.
2. Hazardous materials that are remediated as a part of the project.
3. A project with an addition of more than 2 times the square footage of the existing building.

**A405.1.3 Existing non-structural elements.** Reuse existing interior non-structural elements (interior walls, doors, floor coverings and ceiling systems) in at least 50% of the area of the completed building (including additions).

**Exception:** A project with an addition of more than 2 times the square footage of the existing building.

Salvage additional items in good condition such as light fixtures, plumbing fixtures, and doors for reuse on this project in an onsite storage area or for salvage in dedicated collection bins. Document the weight or number of the items salvaged.

## **A406.1 Site Development.**

**A406.1.1** Orient buildings to optimize the use of solar energy with the long side of the house oriented within 30° of south.

**A406.1.2** Post construction landscapes designs accomplish as many of the following as possible:

1. Areas disrupted during construction are restored to be consistent with native vegetation species and patterns.
2. Limit turf areas to the extent possible.
3. Utilize plant and tree species appropriate for the climate zone region.

**A406.1.3 Storm water design.** Design storm water runoff rate and quantity in conformance with Section 406.3.1 and storm water runoff quality by Section 406.3.2, or by local requirements, whichever are stricter.

**A406.1.3.1 Storm water runoff rate and quantity.** Implement a storm water management plan resulting in no net increase in rate and quantity of storm water runoff from existing to developed conditions.

**Exception:** If the site is already greater than 50% impervious, implement a storm water management plan resulting in a 25% decrease in rate and quantity.

**A406.1.3.2 Storm water runoff quality.** Use post construction treatment control best management practices to mitigate (infiltrate, filter, or treat) storm water runoff from the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile 24-hour runoff event (for volume-based BMPs) or the runoff produced by a rain event equal to two times the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile hourly intensity (for flow-based BMPs).

**A406.1.3.3 Parking lots.** Use depressed planter areas and curb cuts to allow for drainage into the planter areas or utilize other specified bioretention techniques.

**A406.1.4 Bicycle storage and changing rooms.** Provide secure racks or storage for bicycles for a minimum of 10% of parking capacity, with 3% or more being long-term storage. Provide changing/shower facilities, or document arrangements with nearby changing/shower facilities.

**A406.1.5 Fuel efficient vehicles.** Purchasing policy and refueling sites for low emitting vehicles for state employees use can be found at: <http://www.ofa.dgs.ca.gov/NR/exeres/BEAD98C9-035D-4229-8C90-3D47BD5D81FF.htm>, Management Memo MM 06-03, and [http://www.documents.dgs.ca.gov/osp/sam/memos/MM08\\_04.pdf](http://www.documents.dgs.ca.gov/osp/sam/memos/MM08_04.pdf), Management Memo MM 08-04.

**A406.1.5.1 Designated parking.** Provide designated parking for any combination of low-emitting, fuel-efficient, and carpool/van pool vehicles as follows:

**Table A406.1.5.1**

<b><u>Total Number of Parking Spaces</u></b>	<b><u>Number of Required Spaces</u></b>
<u>10-25</u>	<u>2</u>
<u>26-50</u>	<u>4</u>
<u>51-75</u>	<u>6</u>
<u>76-100</u>	<u>8</u>
<u>101-150</u>	<u>11</u>
<u>151-200</u>	<u>16</u>
<u>201 and over</u>	<u>At least 8% of total</u>

**A406.1.5.1.1 Vehicle designations.** Building managers may consult with local community Transit Management Associations (TMAs) for methods of designating qualifying vehicles, such as issuing parking stickers.

**A406.1.5.1.2 Additional resources.** Information on qualifying vehicles, car labeling regulations, and DMV SOV stickers may be obtained from the following sources:

1. California DriveClean, [www.driveclean.ca.gov](http://www.driveclean.ca.gov)
2. California Air Resources Board, [www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/ccvl/ccvl.htm](http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/ccvl/ccvl.htm)
3. US EPA fuel efficiency standards, [www.fueleconomy.gov](http://www.fueleconomy.gov)
4. Janet Okino, DMV Registration Operations, (916) 657 6678, and John Swanton, ARB Public Information, (626) 575-6858.

**A406.1.5.2 Electric vehicle charging.** Provide facilities meeting Section 406.7 of the California Building Code and as follows:

**406.1.5.2.1 Electric vehicle supply wiring.** For each space required in Table A406.1.5.2, provide one 120 VAC 20 amp and one 208/240 V 40 amp, grounded AC outlets or panel capacity and conduit installed for future outlets.

**Table A406.1.5.2**

<b>Total Number of Parking Spaces<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Number of Required Spaces</b>
1-50	1
51-200	2
201 and over	4

<sup>1</sup> In a parking garage, the total number of parking spaces is for each individual floor or level.

**A406.1.6 Parking capacity.** Design parking capacity to meet but not exceed minimum local zoning requirements.

**A406.1.6.1 Reduce parking capacity.** With the approval of the enforcement authority, employ strategies to reduce on site parking area by

1. Use of on street parking or compact spaces, illustrated on the site plan, or
2. Implementation and documentation of programs that encourage occupants to carpool, ride share, or use alternate transportation. Strategies for programs may be obtained from local (TMAs).

## **SECTION A501 ENERGY EFFICIENCY**

**A501.1 General. (Reserved)**

**A502.1 Definitions. (Reserved)**

**A503.1 Performance Approach.**

**A503.1.1** Incorporate the California Energy Commission, New Solar Homes Partnership (NSHP) <sup>1, 2</sup> specifications for building energy performance requirements.

Using an Alternative Calculation Method (ACM) approved by the California Energy Commission, calculate each building's energy and CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, and compare it to the standard or "budget" building to achieve the following:

Tier I. Exceed 2007 California Energy Code requirements by 15%.

Tier II. Exceed 2007 California Energy Code requirements by 35% and cooling energy requirements by 40%.

Solar water heating may be used to assist in meeting the energy efficiency requirements of either Tier I or Tier II.

Document and field verify the measures and calculations used to reach the desired level of efficiency following the requirements specified in the Title 24 Residential Alternative Calculation Manual.

<sup>1</sup> In addition, for either Tier I or II, each appliance provided by the builder must be Energy Star if an Energy Star designation is applicable for that appliance. Solar water heating may be used to assist in meeting the energy efficiency requirements of either Tier I or Tier II.

<sup>2</sup> Information on NSHP incentives available through the California Energy Commission may be obtained at the "Go Solar California" website: [www.GoSolarCalifornia.ca.gov/nsdp/index.html](http://www.GoSolarCalifornia.ca.gov/nsdp/index.html).

**A504.1 Prescriptive Approach. (Reserved)**

**A505.1 Building Envelope. (Reserved)**

**A506.1 Air Sealing Package. (Reserved)**

**A507.1 HVAC Design, Equipment and Installation. (Reserved)**

**A507.1.1** Duct systems are sized, designed, and equipment is selected using the following methods:

1. Size duct systems according to ACCA 29-D (Manual D) or equivalent.
2. Select heating and cooling equipment according to ACCA 36-S (Manual S) or equivalent.
3. Establish heat loss and heat gain values according to ACCA Manual J or equivalent.

**A507.1.2** Radiant, hydronic and other innovative space heating and cooling systems included in the proposed design shall be designed using generally accepted industry-approved guidelines and design criteria.

**A507.1.3** The following items pertaining to the heating and cooling systems are inspected and certified by an independent third party agency:

1. Verify compliance with the manufacturers recommended start-up procedures.

2. Verify refrigerant charge by super-heat or other methods specified by the manufacturer.
3. Burner is set to fire at the nameplate input rating.
4. Temperature drop across the evaporator is within the manufacturers recommended range.
5. Test and verify air flow to be within 10% of the initial design air flow.
6. Static pressure within the duct system is within the manufacturers acceptable range.

A507.1.4 The HVAC contractor and installer are certified for equipment and duct installation by a nationally or regionally recognized training or certification program.

A507.1.5 When possible, use gas-fired (natural or propane) space heating equipment with an Annual Fuel Utilization Ratio (AFUE) of .92 or higher.

A507.1.6 If an electric heat pump must be used, select equipment with a Heating Seasonal Performance Factor (HSPF) of 8.0 or higher.

A507.1.7 When climatic conditions necessitate the installation of cooling equipment, select cooling equipment with a Seasonal Energy Efficiency Ratio (SEER) higher than 13.0.

A507.1.8 If possible, install ductwork to comply with as many of the following as possible:

1. Install ducts within the conditioned envelope of the building.
2. Install ducts in an underfloor crawl space.
3. Use ducts with an R-6 insulation value or higher.

A507.1.9 Perform duct leakage testing to verify a total leakage rate of less than 6% of the total fan flow.

A507.1.10 In cooling zones, install a whole-house fan with insulated louvers or an insulated cover.

#### **A508.1 Water Heating Design, Equipment and Installation.**

A508.1.1 The Energy Factor (EF) for a gas fired storage water heater is .62 or higher.

A508.1.2 The Energy Factor (EF) for a gas fired tankless water heater is .80 or higher.

A508.1.3 Insulate all hot water lines with a minimum of R-6 insulation.

#### **A509.1 Lighting (reserved).**

#### **A510.1 Appliances.**

A510.1.1 Each appliance provided by the builder meets Energy Star if an Energy Star designation is applicable for that appliance.

#### **A511.1 Renewable Energy.**

A511.1.1 Install a solar photovoltaic (PV) system in compliance with the California Energy Commission New Solar Homes Partnership (NSHP).<sup>1,2</sup> Install energy efficiency measures meeting either Tier I or Tier II below.

Tier I. Exceed 2007 California Energy Code requirements by 15%.

Tier II. Exceed 2007 California Energy Code requirements by 35% and cooling energy requirements by 40%.

<sup>1</sup> In addition, for either Tier I or II, each appliance provided by the builder must be Energy Star if an Energy Star designation is applicable for that appliance. Solar water heating may be used to assist in meeting the energy efficiency requirements of either Tier I or Tier II.

<sup>2</sup> Information on NSHP incentives available through the California Energy Commission may be obtained at the "Go Solar California" website: [www.GoSolarCalifornia.ca.gov/nshp/index.html](http://www.GoSolarCalifornia.ca.gov/nshp/index.html).

#### **A512.1 Elevators, Escalators and Other Equipment. (Reserved)**

### **SECTION A601** **WATER EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION**

#### **A601.1 General. (Reserved)**

#### **A602.1 Definitions. (Reserved)**

#### **A603.1 Indoor Water Use.**

A603.1.1 Hot water distribution systems should utilize at least one of the following methods or features in the

distribution system:

1. An on-demand hot water recirculation system.
2. A point of use hot water system.
3. A centrally located hot water heater to minimize the length of piping between the fixtures and water heater.
4. Hot water piping is sized to meet the minimum pipe size diameters allowed by the California Plumbing Code.
5. A hot water distribution system is designed to keep all hot water piping runs as short as possible.

#### **A604.1 Outdoor Water Use.**

A604.1.1 Install a low-water consumption irrigation system which does not rely on spray type heads.

A604.1.2 Use a zoned Irrigation system.

A604.1.3 Use weather-based irrigation controllers to automatically by-pass the irrigation schedule if rain is forecast.

#### **A605.1 Recycled, Reclaimed and Graywater Systems.**

A605.1.1 If feasible, utilize a graywater underground irrigation system in compliance with Chapter 16 of the California Plumbing Code.

### **SECTION A701** **MATERIAL CONSERVATION AND RESOURCE EFFICIENCY**

#### **A701.1 General. (Reserved)**

#### **A702.1 Definitions. (Reserved)**

#### **A703.1 Foundation Systems.**

A703.1.1 As allowed by local conditions, utilize a Frost-Protected Shallow Foundation (FPSF) in compliance with the International Residential Code.

#### **A704.1 Efficient Framing Techniques.**

A704.1.1 When possible, minimize the cutting of framing material and eliminate waste by designing building dimensions in 2 foot increments and by placing windows and doors at stud positions established by a running layout.

A704.1.2 Use pre-manufactured floor and roof systems to eliminate solid sawn lumber whenever possible.

#### **A705.1 Material Sources.**

A705.1.1 Utilize pre-finished building materials which do not require additional painting or staining when possible.

A705.1.2 Use sealed concrete floors instead of other floor coverings when possible.

A705.1.3 Use recycled or salvaged building materials if possible.

A705.1.4 Utilize building materials manufactured from renewable resources when possible.

A705.1.5 Utilize wood products harvested from certified forests when available.

A705.1.6 Incorporate sufficient space for recycling containers into the design of the building.

#### **A706.1 Enhanced Durability and Reduced Maintenance. (Reserved)**

#### **A707.1 Water Resistance and Moisture Management.**

A707.1.1 Install foundation and landscape drains.

A707.1.2 Install gutter and downspout systems to route water away from the foundation or connect to landscape drains.

A707.1.3 Provide flashing details on the building plans and comply with accepted industry standards or

manufacturers instructions.

A707.1.4 Protect building materials delivered to the construction site from rain and other sources of moisture.

A708.1 Construction Waste Reduction, Disposal and Recycling. (Reserved)

A709.1 Life-cycle Assessment. (Reserved)

A710.1 Building Maintenance and Operation. (Reserved)

**SECTION A801**  
**ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

A801.1 General. (Reserved)

A802.1 Definitions. (Reserved)

A803.1 Fireplaces.

A803.1.1 If possible, use direct-vent heating and cooling equipment if the equipment will be located in the conditioned space.

A804.1 Pollutant Control. (Reserved)

A805.1 Interior Moisture Control. (Reserved)

A806.1 Indoor Air Quality and Exhaust.

A806.1.1 Install a fan controlled by a humidistat in each room containing a shower or bathtub, or use a whole house humidity control system.

A807.1 Environmental Comfort. (Reserved)

A808.1 Outdoor Air Quality. (Reserved)