



St. Mary's County  
Department of Land Use and Growth Management  
**Frequently Asked Questions**

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**FAQ #9: What Construction Codes are in effect?**

International Residential Code 2021 (IRC 2021) effective July 15, 2024

International Building Code 2021 (IBC 2021) effective July 15, 2024

International Energy Conservation Code 2021 (IECC 2021)

effective July 15, 2024

International Existing Building Code 2021 (IEBC 2021) effective

July 15, 2024

National Electrical Code 2023 (NEC 2023) effective April 1, 2023

Maryland State Plumbing Code (2018 International Plumbing Code, 2018 International Fuel Gas Code and the Liquefied Petroleum Gas Code, NFPA 58, 2017 Edition)

Maryland State HVACR Code (2018 International Mechanical Code)

Maryland State Fire Code (2024 NFPA 1 and 101) Maryland

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