

COUNTY AND DISTRICT FIRE CODE SUMMARY OF CHANGES

Changes in the 2017 County/District Fire Code from existing 2014 Fire Code include:

- All existing fees have been adjusted. Fees have not increased since their inception in 2007.
- New permit, plan review and inspection fees have been added.
- Helistops for high-rise buildings are re-named emergency Helicopter Landing Facilities and are now only required for buildings greater than twelve stories in height (120 feet).
- Added more restrictive code language for smoke and heat vents on certain commercial buildings. These more restrictive requirements were deleted mid-code cycle from the model code.
- Required fire flow for mobile home parks has been reduced from 4,000 gallons to 1,250 gallons per minute for two hours and 2,000 gallons in the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zones.
- Appendix B (Fire Flow Requirements for Buildings): Previously adopted; adding our requirements for tank size, memorializing our policy guiding when land owners have to connect to an existing water system, changed fire flow requirements to mirror state requirements in low-hazard wildland fire areas.
- Appendix C (Hydrant Locations and Distribution): Previously adopted; remove state language, install our standards, added locations on our streets.
- Appendix D (Fire Apparatus Access Roads): Not previously adopted; adopt state appendix, a few changes to allowed road width and grade.