

CITY OF DALLAS

ENERGY CODE PROCESSES

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The City of Dallas anticipates the adoption of the 2015 Family of International Codes January 1, 2017, including the energy codes. However state law via the passage of HB1736 and SECO rulemaking authority preempts our adoption schedule and provides for earlier implementation dates of energy codes. Per HB 1736, the energy provisions of the 2015 *International Residential Code* is the energy code for 1- and 2-family construction effective September 1, 2016. As published in the Jan. 1, 2016 edition of the Texas Register, the *State Energy Conservation Office* amended 34 Texas Administrative Code §19.53 establishing the 2015 IECC as the energy code for commercial construction, effective Nov. 1, 2016. Listed below is the updated permit processing procedures.

FOR ALL RESIDENTIAL PERMIT APPLICATIONS FILED PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 1, 2016:

You must still provide the *Dallas Building Energy Code Compliance Form* at the end of the project. However, instead of providing the form to the electrical inspector, the 3rd Party Energy Code Provider has two methods to submit the form:

1. Email the “old” *Dallas Building Energy Code Compliance Form* by emailing it to bigreencode@dallascityhall.com, or
2. Upload the form to ***Development Develop Dallas On-Line***. (Note: contractor’s providers must first be registered with ***Development Dallas On-Line***.)

FOR ALL RESIDENTIAL APPLICATIONS FILED ON OR AFTER SEPTEMBER 1, 2016:

1. Provide the new *Dallas Residential Energy Compliance Path Form*, signed by a registered third-party energy code provider, with the application of a building permit for new one- and two-family construction and additions to existing one- and two-family structures.
2. A compliance path form is not required to be submitted with the application for remodel permits. However, a compliance certificate is required at the end of the project.
3. Instead of providing the energy compliance certificates to the electrical inspector, the 3rd Party Energy Code Provider has two options to submit the form:
 - a. Email the *Dallas Residential Energy Compliance Certificate* form to bigreencode@dallascityhall.com. The form must be signed by a registered third-party energy provider, or
 - b. Upload the form to ***Development Dallas On-Line***. (Note: 3rd Energy Code Providers must first be registered with ***Development Dallas On-Line***.)

City of Dallas staff will sign off on the “Energy/Green Inspection” process (both “Green” and “Energy” forms must be approved and on file) before the building final inspection may be approved.

FOR ALL COMMERCIAL PERMIT APPLICATIONS FILED PRIOR TO NOVEMBER 1, 2016:

You must still provide the *Dallas Building Energy Code Compliance Form* at the end of the project. However, instead of providing the form to the electrical inspector, the 3rd Party Energy Code Provider has two methods to submit the form:

1. Email the “old” *Dallas Building Energy Code Compliance Form* by emailing it to bigreencode@dallascityhall.com, or
2. Upload the form to ***Development Dallas On-Line***. (Note: 3rd Energy Code Providers must first be registered with ***Development Dallas On-Line***.)

FOR ALL COMMERCIAL PERMIT APPLICATIONS FILED ON OR AFTER NOVEMBER 1, 2016:

1. Provide the “new” *Dallas Commercial Energy Compliance Path Form*, signed by a registered third-party energy provider, with the application of a building permit for new commercial construction, additions and first-time tenant finish-outs to existing commercial structures.
2. A compliance path form is not required to be submitted with the application for remodel permits. However, a compliance certificate is required at the end of the project.
3. Instead of providing the energy compliance certificates to the electrical inspector, the 3rd Party Energy Code Provider has two options to submit the form:
 - a. Email the *Dallas Commercial Energy Compliance Certificate* form to bigreencode@dallascityhall.com. The form must be signed by a registered third-party energy provider, or
 - b. Upload the form to ***Development Dallas On-Line***. (Note: 3rd Energy Code Providers must first be registered with ***Development Dallas On-Line***.)
4. City of Dallas staff will sign off on the “Energy/Green Inspection” process (both “Green” and “Energy” forms must be approved and on file) before the building final inspection may be approved.
5. For projects applying for Temporary Certificates of Occupancy, the third-party energy provider must submit the *Dallas Commercial Energy Compliance Certificate* with the TCO portion checked.