

Local government adoption (Archive)

Note:

This list is retained for historical purposes only, and does not reflect current energy efficiency or greenhouse gas emissions requirements in B.C. It will not be updated if hyperlinks change.

These local governments submitted their [initial notification](#) prior to May 1, 2023, indicating they started to consult on the BC Energy Step Code.

Now, the BC Building Code requires Step 3 for most Part 9 buildings and Step 2 for most Part 3 buildings. Therefore, all applicable buildings built to the BC Building Code must meet or exceed these minimum requirements, regardless of whether a local government referenced the BC Energy Step Code before it became a province-wide requirement.

- The * symbol in the list below means the local government has submitted a final notification form to the Province that it now references the BC Energy Step Code in a policy, program or bylaw
- Information provided below comes from each local government's final notification form and may not be fully up-to-date; for current Step Code status, please contact each local government

1. City of Richmond – June 16, 2017*
 - Step 3 for Part 9, or Step 2 with a low-carbon energy system
 - Various requirements for Part 3
 - [Learn more about Richmond's approach](#)
2. City of North Vancouver – July 4, 2017*
 - Various requirements
 - [Learn more about the City of North Vancouver's approach](#)
3. City of Campbell River – July 10, 2017*
 - Financial incentives
 - [Learn more about Campbell River's approach](#)
4. City of Duncan – August 24, 2017*
 - Density bonus for meeting or exceeding Step
 - [Learn about the City of Duncan's approach](#)
5. District of North Vancouver – September 1, 2017*
 - Upper Steps for most buildings required by July 1, 2021 with relaxations for low-carbon energy systems
 - [Learn more about the District of North Vancouver's approach](#)
6. City of Victoria – September 27, 2017*
 - [Learn more about the City of Victoria's approach](#)
7. District of Saanich – September 27, 2017*
 - Various requirements
 - [Learn more about the District of Saanich's approach](#)

8. Comox Valley Regional District – October 3, 2017*
 - Rebates available
 - [Learn more about the Comox Valley Regional District's approach](#)
9. District of North Saanich – October 4, 2017*
 - [Learn about the District of North Saanich's approach](#)
10. Resort Municipality of Whistler – October 5, 2017*
 - Step 3 for Part 9, Step 4 if rezoning.
 - [Learn more about the Resort Municipality of Whistler's approach.](#)
11. District of West Vancouver – October 24, 2017 *
 - Various requirements
 - [Learn about the District of West Vancouver's approach](#)
12. Township of Langley – November 7, 2017*
 - Step Code requirements dependent on geographic area
 - [Learn about the Township of Langley's approach](#)
13. District of Squamish – November 9, 2017*
 - Various requirements
 - [Learn more about the District of Squamish's approach](#)
14. City of New Westminster – November 28, 2017*
 - Various requirements for Part 3 and Part 9
 - [Learn about the City of New Westminster's approach](#)
15. City of Surrey – December 7, 2017*
 - Step 3 for Part 9 buildings, various for Part 3
 - [Learn about the City of Surrey's approach](#)
16. City of Kelowna – January 22, 2018*
 - Step 3 for Part 9, various Steps for Part 3 by Jan. 1, 2022.
 - [Learn about the City of Kelowna's approach](#)
17. City of Penticton – January 27, 2018*
 - Step 3 for Part 9
 - [Learn about the City of Penticton's approach](#)
18. City of Burnaby – March 1, 2018*
 - Step 1 for Part 3 and Part 9, with higher Steps required if rezoning
 - [Learn about the City of Burnaby's approach](#)
19. City of Kimberley – March 12, 2018*
 - Financial incentives and training
 - [Learn about the City of Kimberley's approach](#)
20. City of Vernon – March 19, 2018*
 - Step 1 for Part 3 buildings
 - Step 3 for Part 9 by Jan. 1, 2023
 - [Learn about City of Vernon's approach in their building bylaw](#)
21. Village of Belcarra – March 27, 2018*
 - Step 3 for Part 9, Step 2 for Part 3
 - [Learn more about the Village of Belcarra's approach in the Zoning Bylaw](#)
22. District of Peachland – March 28, 2018*
 - Step 1 for Part 9 and Part 3 construction
 - [Learn about the District of Peachland's approach](#)

23. District of Oak Bay – April 11, 2018*
 - Step 3 for Part 9, Step 2 for Part 3
 - [Learn more about the District of Oak Bay's approach](#)
24. City of West Kelowna – April 12, 2018
25. District of Sparwood – April 23, 2018*
 - Rebates available
 - [Learn more about the District of Sparwood's approach](#)
26. District of Summerland – June 5, 2018
27. District of Lake Country – June 7, 2018*
 - [Learn about the District of Lake Country's approach](#)
28. City of Nanaimo – June 25, 2018*
 - Step 2 for Part 9 currently. Step 2 for Part 3 and Step 3 for Part 9 by Jan. 2, 2022. Density bonusing and incentives available
 - [Learn about the City of Nanaimo's approach](#)
29. City of Kamloops – July 17, 2018*
 - Current financial incentives for voluntary compliance; Step 3 for Part 9 by Jan. 1, 2022
 - [Learn about the City of Kamloops' approach](#)
30. District of Central Saanich – July 17, 2018*
 - Step 3 for Part 9, various for Part 3. Incentives available
 - [Learn more about the District of Central Saanich's approach](#)
31. City of Port Moody – September 24, 2018*
 - Various requirements
 - [Learn about the City of Port Moody's approach](#)
32. City of Nelson – October 9, 2018*
 - Step 1 for Part 9. Step 3 for Part 9 and Step 2 for Part 3 coming soon
 - [Learn about the City of Nelson's approach](#)
33. Village of Anmore – October 22, 2018*
 - Step 1 for Part 9
 - [Learn about the Village of Anmore's approach](#)
34. District of Elkford – November 6, 2018*
 - Step 3 for Part 9; building permit rebates for higher Steps
 - Contact the District of Elkford for the most current Incentive Policy for Higher Steps
35. City of Abbotsford – January 28, 2019*
 - Step 1 for Part 3 and Part 9; faster reviews for higher Steps
 - [Learn about the City of Abbotsford's approach](#)
36. City of Rossland – February 8, 2019*
 - [Learn more about Rossland's Energy Efficient Incentive Policy](#)
37. Town of Creston – February 22, 2019
38. Village of New Denver – February 28, 2019
39. Bowen Island Municipality – March 4, 2019*
 - Step 3 for Part 9. Rebates available
 - [Learn about Bowen Island's approach](#)
40. Regional District of East Kootenay – March 12, 2019*

- Step 1 for Part 9. Incentives available
- [Learn about the Regional District of East Kootenay's approach](#)
- 41. Village of Kaslo – March 25, 2019
- 42. City of Port Coquitlam – April 23, 2019*
 - Step 3 for Part 9, various Steps for Part 3.
 - [Learn about the City of Port Coquitlam's approach](#)
- 43. District of Tofino – June 4, 2019*
 - Step 2 for Part 3 and Part 9 buildings
 - [Learn more about the District of Tofino's approach](#)
- 44. City of Maple Ridge – May 31, 2019
- 45. Village of Pemberton – June 21, 2019*
 - Step 4 for Part 9. Incentives available
 - [Learn more about the Village of Pemberton's approach](#)
- 46. Municipality of North Cowichan – August 21, 2019*
 - Step 2 for Part 9. Incentives available for higher Steps
 - [Learn more about the Municipality of North Cowichan's approach](#)
- 47. City of Powell River – September 4, 2019*
 - Step 2 for Part 9 and Part 3, or Step 1 with a low-carbon energy system
 - [Learn about the City of Powell River's approach](#)
- 48. Town of Smithers – September 4, 2019
- 49. City of Salmon Arm – September 11, 2019
- 50. Regional District of Central Kootenay – September 13, 2019*
 - Step 1 for Part 9 buildings
 - [Learn about the Regional District of Central Kootenay's approach](#)
- 51. City of Terrace – September 13, 2019
- 52. City of Courtenay – October 3, 2019*
 - Step 2 for Part 3, Step 3 for Part 9
 - [Learn about the City of Courtenay's approach](#)
- 53. City of Colwood – October 9, 2019*
 - Step 3 for Part 9, Step 2 or 3 for Part 3 by Dec. 1, 2021 (depending on building type)
 - [Learn more about the City of Colwood's approach](#)
- 54. Village of Golden – October 15, 2019
- 55. Village of Nakusp – October 16, 2019
- 56. Village of Slocan – October 17, 2019
- 57. Town of View Royal – October 25, 2019
- 58. Town of Comox – October 25, 2019*
 - Step 3 for Part 9, Step 2 for Part 3
 - [Learn more about the Town of Comox's approach](#)
- 59. City of Fernie – October 29, 2019*
 1. Step 2 for Part 9; Step 1 for Part 3
 2. [Learn more about the City of Fernie's approach](#)
- 60. District of Ucluelet – October 31, 2019
- 61. City of Pitt Meadows – Jan. 29, 2020*
 - Step 2 for Part 9 and Part 3. Step 3 for Part 9 only by Jan. 1, 2022

- [Learn about the City of Pitt Meadows' approach](#)
- 62. City of Prince George – Feb. 19, 2020
- 63. Town of Gibsons – Feb. 20, 2020*
 - Step 1 for all Part 3 and Part 9 buildings.
 - [Learn about the Town of Gibsons' approach](#)
- 64. District of Sechelt – March 2, 2020*
- 65. Sunshine Coast Regional District – March 6, 2020*
 - Step 1 for Part 3 and Part 9
 - [Learn about the Sunshine Coast Regional District's approach](#)
- 66. City of Revelstoke – May 19, 2020*
 - Step 3 for Part 9, Step 2 for Part 3 by Jan. 1, 2022.
 - [Learn about the City of Revelstoke's approach](#)
- 67. City of Castlegar – May 25, 2020*
 - Step 1 for Part 3 and Part 9 currently; Step 2 for Part 3 and Step 3 for Part 9 by Dec. 31, 2022
 - [Learn about the City of Castlegar's approach](#)
- 68. City of Cranbrook – July 14, 2020*
 - Step 1 for Part 3 and Part 9 currently; Step 2 for Part 3 and Part 9 by Aug. 1, 2021
 - [Learn about the City of Cranbrook's approach.](#)
- 69. Regional District of Kootenay Boundary – July 17, 2020*
 - Voluntary compliance; incentives available
 - [Learn more about the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary's approach](#)
- 70. Town of Oliver – Oct. 20, 2020
- 71. City of Coquitlam – Oct. 29, 2020*
 - Step 2 for Part 9 by Sept. 1, 2021; Step 2 for Part 3 by Jan. 1, 2022
 - [Learn about the City of Coquitlam's approach](#)
- 72. Sun Peaks Mountain Resort Municipality – Nov. 5, 2020
- 73. District of Kitimat – Nov. 6, 2020
- 74. District of Sooke – Sept. 23, 2020*
 - Step 3 for Part 9, Step 2 for Part 3 by 2022
 - [Learn more about the District of Sooke's approach](#)
- 75. Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen – March 24, 2021
- 76. University Endowment Lands – April 28, 2021*
 - Various requirements
 - [Learn about the University Endowment Lands' approach](#)
- 77. Regional District of Central Okanagan – Aug. 26, 2021*
 - Step 3 for Part 9 buildings and Step 2 for Part 3 buildings
 - [Learn more about the RDCO's approach](#)
- 78. Regional District of North Okanagan – Aug. 31, 2021*
 - Step 1 for Part 3 and Part 9 buildings
 - [Learn more about the Regional District of North Okanagan's approach](#)
- 79. City of Enderby – Sept. 10, 2021*
 - Step 1 for Part 3 and Part 9 buildings

- [Learn more about Enderby's approach \(via the Regional District of North Okanagan\)](#)
- 80. Regional District of Fraser-Fort George – Nov. 2, 2021*
 - Step 1 for Part 3 and Part 9 buildings by April 1, 2022
 - [Read the Board report to learn more](#)
 - [Read the bylaw](#)
- 81. City of Delta – Nov. 24, 2021
- 82. District of Coldstream – Aug. 31, 2021*
 - Step 1 for Part 3 and Part 9 buildings
 - [Learn more about Coldstream's approach \(via the Regional District of North Okanagan\)](#)
- 83. District of Spallumcheen – Jan. 27, 2022*
 - Step 1 in 2022, Step 3 for Part 9 buildings by Jan 3, 2023
 - [Learn more about Spallumcheen's approach here](#)
- 84. District of Highlands – Mar. 3, 2020*
 - Step 3 for Part 9 buildings by Jan. 2, 2023
 - [Learn more about the Highlands approach](#)
- 85. Village of Lumby – Dec. 13, 2021*
 - Step 1 for Part 3 and Part 9 buildings
 - [Learn more about Lumby's approach \(via the Regional District of North Okanagan\)](#)
- 86. Town of Sidney – Feb. 21, 2023

* = Referencing the BC Energy Step Code

University of British Columbia

The UBC Residential Environmental Assessment Program (REAP) is UBC's green building rating system and REAP gold certification is required in UBC's neighbourhoods. On September 27, 2018, the UBC Board of Governors approved amendments to REAP, requiring new Part 3 residential construction at UBC Point Grey campus to meet a minimum of Step 2 of the BC Energy Step Code. Optional credits within REAP can be obtained for projects that achieve higher steps.

- Visit [UBC's green buildings website](#)
- Learn more about UBC's [Residential Environmental Assessment Program \(page 55\)](#)

City of Vancouver

While not subject to the BC Energy Step Code, the City of Vancouver has its own zero emissions building plan. The Plan has four strategies to require the majority of new buildings to have no operational greenhouse gas emissions by 2025, and all new buildings to have no greenhouse gas emissions by 2030.

- Learn more about the [City of Vancouver's zero emissions building plan](#)

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