



## Electrical Permit Applicants

Effective January 1, 2020, the Canadian Electrical Code, Part I, 24<sup>th</sup> Edition, Safety Standard for Electrical Installations, Canadian Standards Association Standard C22.1-18 is adopted as the B.C. Electrical Code. All electrical work that is subject to the B.C. Electrical Code must be in compliance with the updated edition effective January 1, 2020.

All code-related information bulletins that have been issued to date remain in effect. All potentially-impacted information bulletins will be reviewed for consistency with the new code edition and revised if necessary.

The new edition of B.C. Electrical Code will make one deviation from the Canadian Electrical Code. Subrules 7 and 8 of Rule 66-456 (Section 66) will not be in force in B.C..

## Transition for Installation Permits

- Except as provided below, work performed under installation permits issued prior to January 1, 2020, must comply with the 2015 (23<sup>rd</sup>) edition until the work under the permit is completed (i.e., even if the work is completed after January 1, 2020). All work done under this scenario must be in compliance with the 2015 Edition. “Mixing and matching” sections between editions is not permitted.
- Work performed under installation permits issued before January 1, 2020 may comply with the 2018 (24<sup>th</sup>) edition of the code provided that the work will be completed after January 1, 2020 and the licensed electrical contractor has declared that the 2018 edition will be followed on the permit application. As above, “mixing and matching” code sections between editions is not permitted.
- All work performed under permits issued post-January 1, 2020 must comply with the 2018 (24<sup>th</sup>) edition without exception.
- For any deviation or postponement in conformance with CE Code Rule 2-030, please refer to Bulletin 2009-004-EL.

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### References:

*Safety Standards Act*  
Electrical Safety Regulation  
Safety Standards General Regulation  
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