



Building Requirements for New Construction

Green Building
Fact Sheet
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[Title 19.04, Subchapter 2 of the
Marin County Building Code](#)

On January 1, 2023, all newly constructed or new construction buildings (as defined by the County) were required to be all-electric. Starting August 1, 2024, the County was required to suspend enforcement reverting back to state minimum energy code standards.



Nonresidential and Residential Buildings

Comply with Title 24, part 6 state minimum energy requirements.



Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Readiness and Installations

Comply with State CALGreen, Part 11 Tier 1 Green Building Standards across all divisions with targeted modifications to Site Planning for EV Infrastructure. See [EV Readiness and Infrastructure Requirements Factsheet No. 2](https://www.marincounty.org/EV-factsheet) (<https://www.marincounty.org/EV-factsheet>).

Key Definitions

NEWLY CONSTRUCTED means a building that has never before been used or occupied for any purpose

NEW CONSTRUCTION means removal or substantial modification of more than 75 percent of the linear sum of a building's exterior walls for each story as per County of Marin Development Code Chapter 22.130.030.

ALL-ELECTRIC BUILDING means a building or plans for building that uses a permanent supply of electricity as the source of energy for all space heating (including but not limited to fireplaces), water heating (including but not limited to pools and spas), cooking appliances (including but not limited to barbeques), and clothes drying appliances, and has no natural gas or propane plumbing installed in the building or within the property lines. An all-electric building may also include solar thermal collectors.

For details and resources on code compliance and to begin your application, please visit [MarinGreenBuilding.org](https://www.marincounty.org/EV-factsheet) or scan the QR Code below.

