

CITY OF MILPITAS

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COMMONLY ASKED QUESTIONS WITH THE ADOPTION OF THE 2025 BUILDING CODE

Question – When will you begin to accept plans designed under the 2025 building codes?

Answer – 2025 building codes will be effective on January 1, 2026. All plans submitted on or after December 22, 2025, shall comply with 2025 California Building Codes. Note, the Office of Building Safety will be closed between December 24, 2025, through Wednesday, January 1, 2026.

Question – Do you/will you have any amendments to the 2025 California codes? If so, when will those be available?

Answer – Yes. 2026 Milpitas Municipal Code Title II containing amendments to 2025 California Building Codes will be effective on January 1, 2026.

Question - Will there be a grace period for projects currently under construction or will all new permits pulled after 1/1/2026 require plans and calculations designed to the 2025 codes?

Answer – The issued date of a permit, i.e., the date the permit is pulled, will not determine the applicable building codes. Rather, the building permit application date will determine the applicable codes. Any projects that are under plan review or under construction as of December 22, 2025, will not be subject to 2025 building codes.

Question – Will an amendment package (letter size documents) outlining the changes and showing existing plans are adequately designed be accepted or will complete new sets be required?

Answer – Permit applications with a complete submittal that are submitted prior to December 22, 2025, will continue to comply with 2022 California Building Codes and do not require any amendments to comply with 2025 California Building Codes.