

IMPORTANT CODE CHANGES

2023 NEC Code Changes Now in Effect

State-mandated electrical code updates take effect July 15, 2026

Effective today, July 15, 2026, the following 2023 National Electrical Code (NEC) articles will become mandatory and will be enforced:

- **2023 NEC Article 210.52(C)** – Kitchen countertop and work surface receptacle requirements.
- **2023 NEC Article 230.67** – Surge protection requirements for dwelling unit services.
- **2023 NEC Article 314.27(C)** – Outlet boxes required for ceiling-suspended (paddle) fans.

These requirements are state-mandated code requirements and are not local department policies or additional local amendments. All applicable electrical installations subject to these requirements must comply with the 2023 NEC beginning today.

Contractors are encouraged to review current projects, permit applications, and scheduled inspections to determine whether these requirements apply. If you have questions about how these provisions affect a specific project, please contact the Department of Codes & Regulations Construction Review division before work proceeds.

Thank you for your cooperation and continued commitment to electrical safety and compliance.

For questions, contact:

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