

CARROLL COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PERMITS & INSPECTIONS
NEW CODES EFFECTIVE 7/1/10

- **2009 Edition International Building Code**, as published by the International Code Council, Inc., as amended by the Maryland Building Performance Standards
- **2009 Edition NFPA Fire Prevention Code**, as amended by the Maryland State Fire Code
- **2009 Edition International Mechanical Code**
- **2009 Edition International Energy Conservation Code**
- **2009 Edition International Residential One and Two Family Dwelling Code**
- **2009 Edition NFPA 101 Life Safety Code**, as amended by the Maryland State Fire Code
- **2009 National Standard Plumbing Code Illustrated**
- **Maryland Building Rehabilitation Code**, published October 2001
- **2009 Edition National Fuel Gas Code Z223.1**
- **2008 NFPA 58 L.P.**
- **2008 Edition NFPA 70 National Electrical Code**
- **Maryland Accessibility Code, COMAR 05.02.02**

Noteworthy Changes to Residential Code and Carroll County Ordinances:

1. **Stairs:** Risers 7 ³/₄ inches , Treads 10 inches
2. **House Address:** If the building address on the structure cannot be viewed from the public way, a monument, pole or other sign or means shall be used to identify the structure at the public way.
3. **Guards:** 36 inches above adjacent fixed seating.
4. **Carbon Monoxide Alarms:** Required within units with fuel- fired appliances and in dwellings with attached garages.
5. **Radon:** Pipe shall be labeled with a continuous orange paint line throughout the structure. Paint shall be applied prior to the slab and framing inspections being approved.
6. **Garage slabs:** Garage slabs shall have a vapor barrier and be inspected prior to pouring.
7. **Shower Pans:** Shower pans and seats will be required to be installed prior to the plumbing rough in inspection.
8. **Duct Insulation:** Supply ducts in attics shall be insulated to a minimum of R-8.
All other ducts insulated to a minimum of R-6
9. **Thermostats:** A minimum of one programmable type for **New** residences.
10. **Attic Access:** Access shall be weather-stripped and insulated.
11. **Habitable Attics:** Area shall have an emergency egress window.
12. **Exhaust fans:** Fans shall terminate through the soffit with an appropriate fitting.
13. **Walls:** Studs shall be continuous from the sole plate to the top plate at the ceiling.
14. **Pools:** Require a temporary fence once filled with water.
15. **Farm Buildings:** Require footing, framing and final inspections.

Commercial Changes:

1. **Commercial Plans for new buildings:** A CD is required when filing a permit application.
2. Any wall that requires protected openings or penetrations are required to be marked with signs or stenciling in any concealed accessible space and every 30 feet.

TO ORDER CODES: ALL INTERNATIONAL CODES CALL 1-800-786-4452. ALL NFPA CODES CALL 1-800-344-3555. PLUMBING CODES CALL 1-800-533-7694. THE MARYLAND HANDICAPPED CODE COMAR 05.02.02 IS AVAILABLE FOR FREE AT OUR OFFICE.