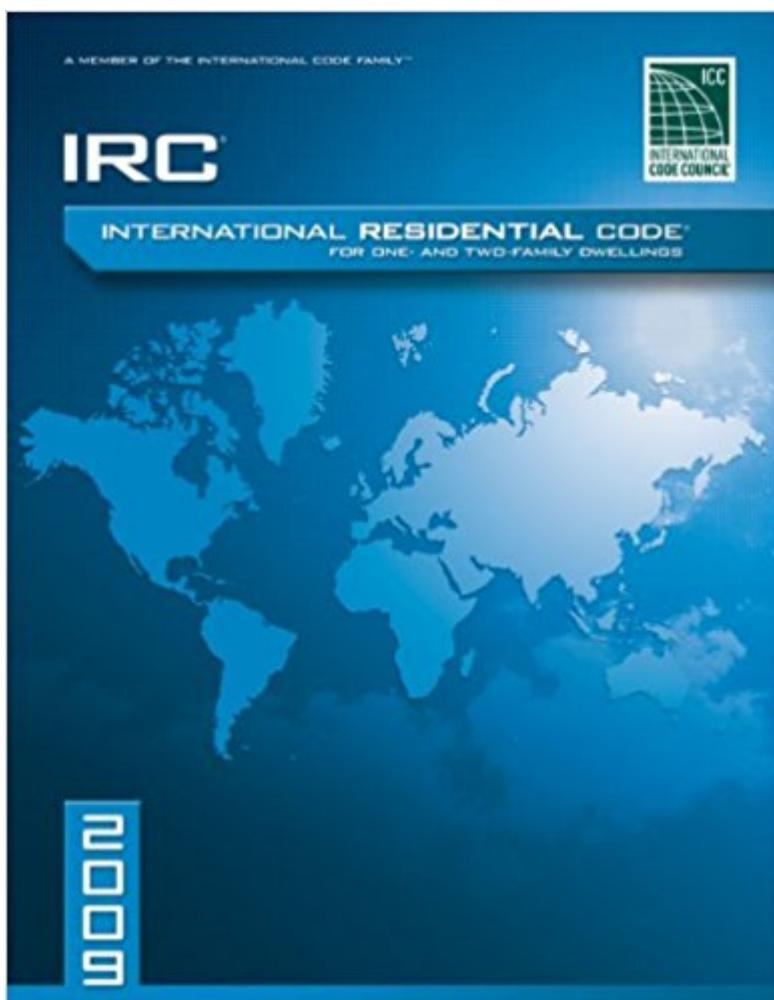


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# 2009 International Residential Code For One-and-Two Family Dwellings: Soft Cover Version (International Code Council Series)



## **Synopsis**

This comprehensive code for homebuilding combines building, plumbing, mechanical, fuel gas, energy, and electrical provisions into a single resource. The 2009 International Residential Code For One- and Two- Family Dwellings uses these provisions to provide detailed insight into the construction of one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses up to three stories high. Using foundational principles that facilitate the use of new materials and building designs to guide the content, this reference guide also establishes minimum regulations using prescriptive provisions.

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ICC is a leading organization dedicated to developing a single set of comprehensive, coordinated national model construction codes. To date, 48 U.S. states have adopted various international codes from ICC.

All people who are needing to draft, design, architect, or review a residential home NEED this book. Keep it by you as you work and save your clients time and money by doing it right the first time. It is not a book you sit down and read, so if you are worried about reading a big book, don't be. You don't have to sit down and study it. It is too big to remember everything in it. This is a bench-side reference. This book is about building codes for your area. It contains what is allowed and what is not allowed and how you must do it. Don't waste your time drawing it one way only to find out it's back to the drawing board for you. That will cost you time, money, and a re-submittal. I was familiar

with the book before I bought my copy.

Don't bother buying this, the charts are very tiny and do not resize so you can't read them. It is hard to navigate using the very limited TOC, you only get "Parts" and no 'Sections' so there is a lot, I mean a lot of scrolling, to find the section you need. I ended up taking a screen shot of the table of contents and printing it out so I could navigate better. You can not print at all, hence the screenshot, you can not highlight and print anything. This is not worth the money. It is a rip off. I wish I could return it!

The code is a fairly massive and exhaustive compilation of information. The organizational structure is not always laid out in a very logical or intuitive manner. The loose-leaf format, while allowing for flexibility in terms of updating, etc., is rather physically cumbersome; and the pages tend to tear out of the 3-ring binders after a little use. I will need to reinforce the holes with adhesive rings. The index is fairly thorough, and in conjunction with the Turbo-tabs (sold separately), aids greatly in finding specific information.

good

What's to say? If you need it you gotta have it. The publishing houses that have captured the regulatory reference markets republish as they please, and the regulators require that you buy updates to do business. Frankly I found The UBC-Codes of the 70s more useable, back when they were hand-sized and addressed core issues. Unfortunately the IBC/IRC has become so wordy that it includes typos and nonsense. But hey, either get involved and object effectively, or just write the check -- not much choice, they've captured the market, mandated by officials who know no better.

I read several of the reviews and I was sold on the binder version to upgrade from the 2003 IRC. If you need to kill some space on your book shelf or you need a bulky object to prop your feet up on then the binder version will serve you well. If you need a practical reference you can take to the job then you have to get the book version. Don't make the same mistake I did; I bought the binder, I just sold it before the pages fell out or it fell on someone and seriously injured them, and now have to buy the book version at a loss.

great book

Too bad the County Inspectors have a hard time interpreting when the text refers them to other codes like Electrical.

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