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# Code Check Complete: An Illustrated Guide To The Building, Plumbing, Mechanical And Electrical Codes



## **Synopsis**

Taunton's Code Check series is widely recognized as the most reliable and up-to-date code reference available. Now, the thousands of builders, remodelers, and inspectors who have relied on their Code Checks for accuracy and thoroughness will delight in this handsome new edition that combines all the codes into a single, lay-flat volume. This comprehensive manual spotlights the safety issues behind all the codes. Up-to-date and featuring more than 400 illustrations, Code Check Complete is cross-referenced to the International Residential Code, Uniform Plumbing Code, Uniform Mechanical Code, and the National Electrical Code. It is the only resource any builder or inspector needs to be completely up to code.

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## **Customer Reviews**

Redwood Kardon is a former building inspector for Oakland, CA., and is the leading professional lecturer nationwide on building codes. He also owns and maintains "codecheck.com," a website devoted to promoting the Code Check manual. Coauthors Douglas Hansen and Michael Casey have 25 and 18 years of field experience, respectively. All three authors teach seminars for inspectors around the country, using the "Code Check" series as their primary material. Paddy Morrissey was the senior illustrator for CornerHardware.com and has been the sole illustrator for the "Code Check" series. Skip Walker is a certified residential combination inspector, who has a particular interest in smoke alarm performance issues and deck safety. Paddy Morrissey was senior illustrator for CornerHardware.com. All three live in the San Francisco Bay area. Douglas Hansen lives in Palo Alto, CA. Michael Casey was born in 1947 in Lowell, Massachusetts. He was drafted

into the U.S. Army and served as a military policeman in Vietnam. Among his books of poems are MILLRAT (Adastra Press, 1999), The Million Dollar Hole (Orchises, 2001), and Obscenities, which was chosen by Stanley Kunitz as the Yale Younger Poet Award for 1972 and reprinted by Carnegie Mellon University Press in 2002. His most recent book is CHECK POINTS (Adastra Press, 2011).

I use these Code Checks constantly as a quick easy reference to navigate through the numerous, often confusing and misleading, codes. But it's important that a contractor or homeowner know that they are using the latest or applicable code version. I find it sad that the author does not tell you on the cover or in the description, which version of each code this book covers so I will provide that information here. From the Code Check web site this book covers: 2009 International Residential Code 2011 National Electrical Code 2009 Uniform Plumbing & Mechanical Codes 2009 ISPDE International Private Sewage Disposal Code 2009 Uniform Mechanical Code 2009 NFPA 54 National Fuel Gas Code 2011 NFPA Liquefied Petroleum Gas Code 2010 ASHRAE 62.2 Ventiation & Acceptable Indoor Air Quality in Low-Rise Residential Buildings 2010 NFPA 211 Chimneys, Fireplaces, Vents & Solid Fuel-Burning Appliances 2011 NFPA 70 National Electrical Code. I also think the publisher should sell updated sections when that appropriate code is updated. I have contacted them and they do not offer updates so you may be better off buying the individual Code Check books and replacing each when the new code is out.

Contains All Relevant Residential Building Codes for in the field actual construction, even includes simplified span tables for rafter, ceiling, floor joists. Egress widow requirements, Gives header sizes for window and door openings. EVERYTHING for passing a residential building inspection without problems.... You build with this book and your golden. The Book's Very well laid out, easy to find the info your looking for, sorted by, HVSC, BUILDING, PLUMBING, ELECTRICAL. I downloaded and referenced all the residential codes, but so many pages, too clunky, too much info. This simplified version is what i built my house by and was all that was needed to stay compliant and pass every building inspection the first time without trouble. I cant say enough good things about this book! Every Builder, Tradesman, Contractor, Plumber, Hvac, should have a copy of this book. And every Home Owner having work done should keep a copy to keep their Contractors in check!

This book is AMAZING! I can figure out how to do most construction tasks, but the standards and specifications to which they need to be done have always eluded me. This has all of that info in one concise package. Framing/foundations, plumbing, electrical, and HVAC all in one place. I highly

recommend this book. Tells you how to do everything to code.

This book has made my life much easier, especially while explaining something to a client. The print is a little small for my 50+ eyes but having it compact makes it nice to store in the work truck. I have recommended it to a few other contractors and those who have got one use it regularly. Mine is getting a little worn so I may buy the new version soon. A must have for any legitimate contractor or handyman type.

I used prior versions in 2000 when I built a 22x40 addition with bathroom on our prior house. I loved them so much that I knew I had to get the complete book now that we're building a pool house with kitchen and bathroom. It's simple and yet has enough detail with just the right amount of charts and pictures to keep it clear. I'm a simple homeowner with some handyman skills; not a contractor. This was the first time I ever built anything that needed a permit/ inspection. Using these books, I passed all my inspections, without any problems.

This is my third. It's real value is to make sure the job is done to industry standards, not to simply conform to codes. Afterall, the codes are written for our safety, after a history of improvements. In my county, I don't even have inspectors, but still refer to my code book to get the job done in the best way. Just met a client, and she was seriously hurt falling to concrete because no railing - a code violation to be sure, but she could have lost her life. I was a licensed contractor for 15 years. This book and the JLC field guide are indispensable tools.

book has great information. not up to date for 2012 codes adopted by our city. only three stars for not current codes, most info still applies and is a well written guide. they have an updated version

Small and easy to use. So helpful for someone wanting to do it right. My husband does volunteer building and repairs for a children's home in Mexico. This has been used over and over to make sure it's being done safely and correctly.

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