# Notice of Permanent Rule Jan. 1, 2025



# 2025 Oregon Energy Efficiency Specialty Code Adoption

# Purpose of the rule:

These rules revise the energy provisions of the Oregon Structural Specialty Code (OSSC) from ANSI/ASHRAE/IES Standard 90.1-2019 to ANSI/ASHRAE/IES Standard 90.1-2022 with additional Oregon amendments in the 2025 Oregon Energy Efficiency Specialty Code (OEESC), published on the Building Codes website at <a href="https://www.oregon.gov/bcd/codes-stand/Pages/oeesc-adoption.aspx">https://www.oregon.gov/bcd/codes-stand/Pages/oeesc-adoption.aspx</a>. The rules will provide a six-month phase in period where either standard can be used.

#### Citation:

Amends OAR 918-460-0500. This rule is effective January 1, 2025.

# **Background:**

The OEESC meets the efficiency goals of the state, based on a thoroughly vetted, federally recognized national model energy standard. The OEESC is based on the latest ASHRAE 90.1-2022 standard, with necessary Oregon amendments. The Construction Industry Energy Board reviewed and approved the 2025 OEESC on October 17, 2023. A public rulemaking hearing was held on March 20, 2024. The written comment period was held open until March 22, 2024. After delays due to the availability of COMcheck, the 2025 OEESC is set to become effective on January 1, 2025 with a six-month phase in period.

# **Summary:**

The 2025 OEESC is based on the latest ASHRAE 90.1-2022 standard, with necessary Oregon amendments. The effective date is January 1, 2025, with a six-month phase in period.

#### **Contact:**

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# PERMANENT ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

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**CHAPTER 918** 

DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS SERVICES
BUILDING CODES DIVISION

FILING CAPTION: Adopts the 2025 Oregon Energy Efficiency Specialty Code

EFFECTIVE DATE: 01/01/2025

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RULE SUMMARY: This rule revises the energy provisions of the Oregon Structural Specialty Code (OSSC) from ANSI/ASHRAE/IES Standard 90.1-2019 to ANSI/ASHRAE/IES Standard 90.1-2022 with additional Oregon amendments in the 2025 Oregon Energy Efficiency Specialty Code (OEESC), published on the Building Codes website at https://www.oregon.gov/bcd/codes-stand/Pages/oeesc-adoption.aspx. The rule will provide a six-month phase in period where either standard can be used.

**CHANGES TO RULE:** 

918-460-0500

Energy Provisions of the Oregon Structural Specialty Code ¶

- (1) The energy provisions of the Oregon Structural Specialty Code are adopted pursuant to OAR chapter 918, division 8, and shall be known as the Oregon Energy Efficiency Specialty Code.¶
- (2) Effective April January 1, 20245, the Oregon Energy Efficiency Specialty Code shall consist of ANSI/ASHRAE/IES Standard 90.1-204922 with additional Oregon amendments as published by the Building Codes Division and available on the Division's website, and shall be known as the 20245 Oregon Energy Efficiency Specialty Code.¶
- (3) For the purposes of implementing a phase-in period for the 20215 Oregon Energy Efficiency Specialty Code, also known as Chapter 13 of the 201922 Oregon Structural Specialty Code, also known as the 201925 Oregon Zero-Energy Ready Commer Efficiency Specialty Code, is adopted for the period beginning April January 1, 20215 and ending October July 1, 20215.
- (4) During the phase-in period established in section (3) of this rule, use of the 20<u>2</u>19 Oregon <del>Zero</del> Energy <del>Ready Commer</del> <u>Efficiency Specialty</u> Code or the 202<u>15</u> Oregon Energy Efficiency Specialty Code is are permitted to <del>comply with be used as</del> Chapter 13 of the Oregon Structural Specialty Code.¶
- (5) Code requirements in effect at the time a plan review or permit application is filed controls the construction under the application unless the applicant agrees to be controlled by subsequent changes.¶
- (6) All references and code provisions adopted in this rule, in OAR chapter 918, or in any specialty code adopted thereunder to the Oregon Energy Efficiency Specialty Code mean the energy provisions of the Oregon Structural Specialty Code referenced in Chapter 13 of the Oregon Structural Specialty Code.¶

 $[Publication: Publications \ referenced \ are \ available \ from \ the \ agency.]$  Statutory/Other Authority: ORS 455.020, ORS 455.030, ORS 455.110, ORS 455.505, ORS 455.511

Statutes/Other Implemented: ORS 455.110, ORS 455.511