

# ERI vs. Performance Path: Which is better for the builder?



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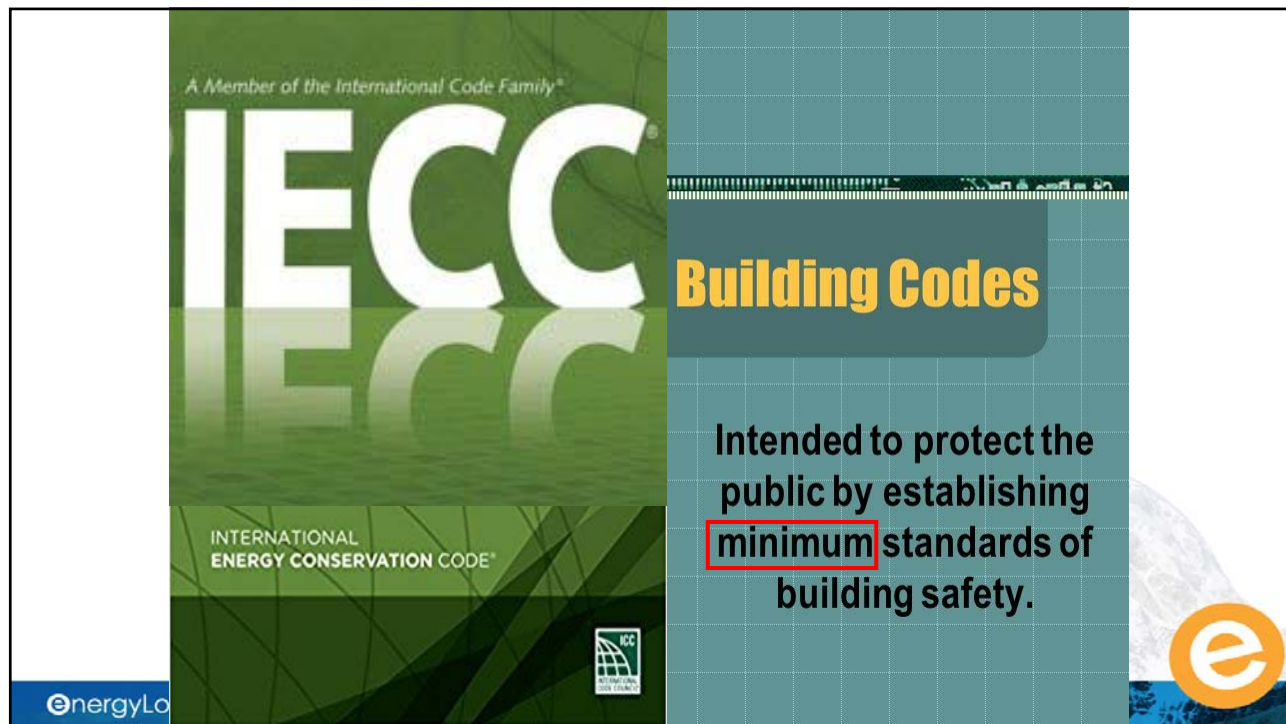
## Conclusion

- ANSI 301 Named the Energy Rating Index
  - RESNET HERS ERI
  - 2015 IECC ERI
  - 2018 IECC ERI
  - More to come
- The Code ERI is not a marketing tool/Not the Same at the HERS Index
- Code ERI will become a matrix of compliance just like:
  - Area weighted U-factors for the U-factor trade off/RESCheck path
  - Cost Compliance for the Simulated performance path
- Section R405 Simulated performance path is the path for Builders
  - Most cost affective compliance
  - HERS Index/ERI is a byproduct of the path way for marketing



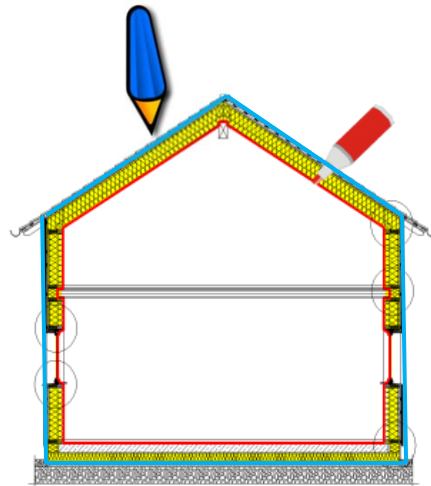
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## New in the 2015

- 103.2.1 Building Thermal Envelope depiction:
  - The buildings thermal envelope shall be represented on the construction documents
  - Blue – Exterior air barrier
  - Yellow Thermal Barrier
  - Red Interior air barrier



## 2009 IECC vs. 2015/18 IECC Prescriptive Table

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5 and Marine 4	0.35 0.32	NR	R-38 49	R20 or 13+5	R-13/17	R-30	R-10/13 15/19	R-10, 2ft	R-10/13 15/19
Climate Zone 6	0.35 0.32	NR	R-49	R-20 or 13+5 R20+5 or 13+10	R-15/20	R-30	R-15/19	R-10, 4ft	R-10/13 15/19
Climate Zone 7 & 8	0.35 0.32	NR	R-49	R-21 R20+5 or 13+10	R-19/21	R-38	R-15/19	R-10, 4ft	R-10/13 15/19

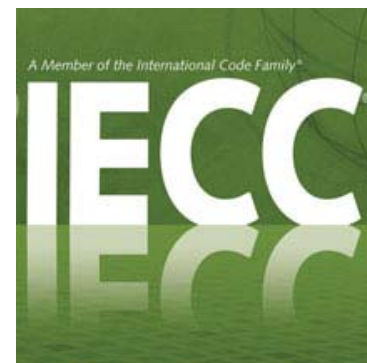
## INTENT & IMPACT DIFFERENCE

in·tent

/in'tent/ 

*noun*

- intention or purpose.  
"with alarm she realized his intent"  
*synonyms:* aim, intention, purpose, objective, object, goal, target;



## 2018 IECC – Intent

This code shall regulate the design and construction of buildings for the effective use and conservation of energy over the useful life of each building

- Durability



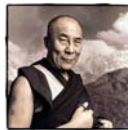
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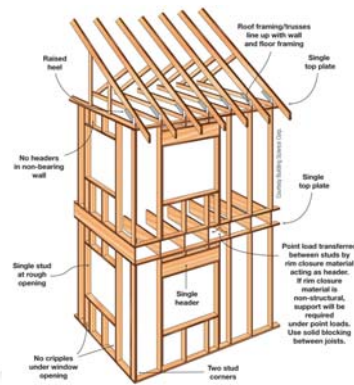
## 2018 IECC – Intent

This code is intended to **provide flexibility** to permit innovative approaches and techniques to achieve this objective

“Learn the rules  
so you know how  
to break them  
properly”



Author: Dalai Lama  
Date: Feb 25, 2008



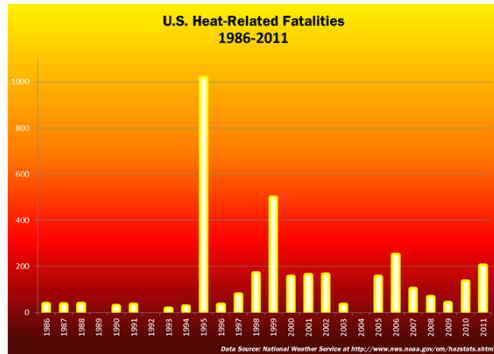
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## 2018 IECC – Intent

The code is not intended to **abridge safety, health or environmental requirements** contained in other applicable codes or ordinances



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# Integrity

Adherence to moral principles.  
In ethics, integrity is regarded as the honesty and truthfulness or uprightness, sincerity, and

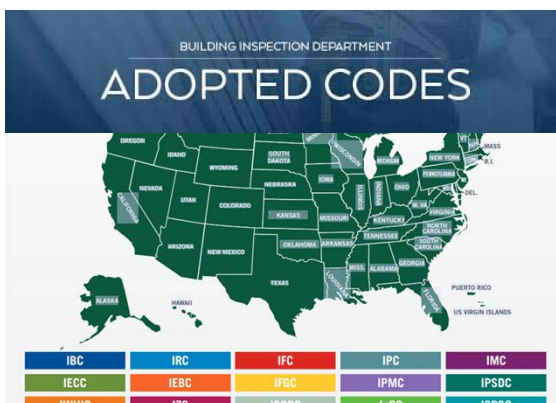
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## The key factor of code development

*Adoption*

*Amendment*



- a·mend·ment
- ə'men(d)mənt/
- *noun*
- a minor change in a document.
- a change or addition to a legal or statutory document.

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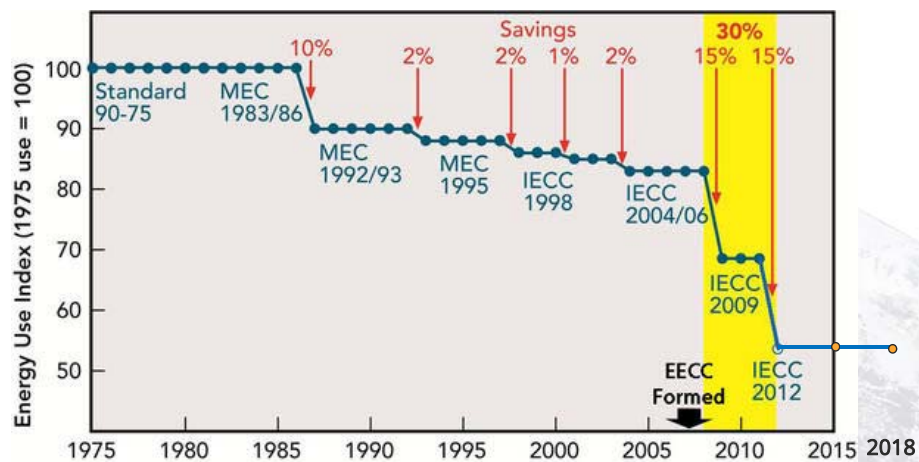




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### Its not your Daddy's code?

- No longer building the minimum \_\_\_ house allowable!





## Focus on House Performance



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## Fundamental Questions

*Is It There?*



*Does It Work?*



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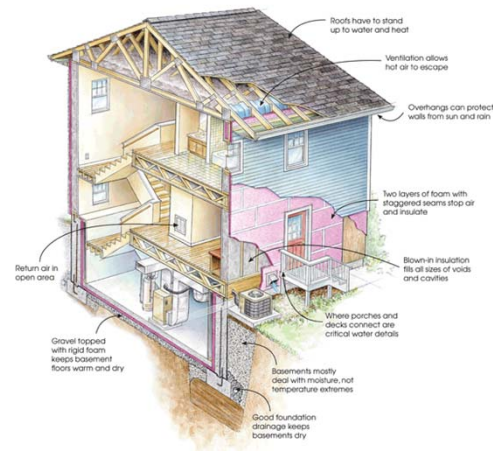
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## Chapter 4: Residential Energy Efficiency

Specific and technical requirements for:

- Building Thermal Envelope
- Mechanical Systems
- Service Hot Water Systems
- Electrical Power and Lighting Systems



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## Pathways = Flexibility/Options



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## Cost Effective



### Value?

- Builder Perspective
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Costs/cost of construction
  - Flexibility in specification selection
  - Build the house you want to
  - Builder Risk
- Consumer Perspective
  - Cost of ownership
  - Payback
    - Simple payback
    - Investment paid for in a loan
  - Opportunity cost

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## Code Compliance Paths



Prescriptive Path



UA Compliance Path



Simulated  
Performance Path



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## Regardless of the Pathway

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# Mandatory Requirements



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## Terminology

- **Mandatory requirements**
  - Requirements that must be met by every building unless there is a specific exception in the code
- **Prescriptive requirements**
  - Requirements that must be met by every building unless an approved tradeoff is utilized or unless there is a specific exception in the code
- **Performance approach**
  - An overall performance requirement for the building that replaces the individual prescriptive requirements for building systems and components

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## Prescriptive/Mandatory Requirements

Installation issues required by code



Eave Baffles



Attic Insulation



Crawl Vapor Retarders



Floor Insulation

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## Prescriptive Path



- Most restrictive path
  - Only option is to do better
- No compliance Tool
- Must declare that this is your method of compliance
- Permitting plan set is the documentation
- Prescriptive installation details carry over to other pathways
  - Eave baffles
  - Crawl space vapor retarder
  - Attic insulation installation requirements
  - Etc.

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## SECTION R402 BUILDING THERMAL ENVELOPE

### Prescriptive path ways through code (3 choices)



- **R402.1 General (Prescriptive).**
  - The building thermal envelope shall meet the requirements of Sections R402.1.1 through R402.1.4.
- Sections R402.1.3
  - R-value table specification
- Section R402.1.4
  - U-Value table specification
- Section R402.1.5
  - Total UA Alternative Approach
- R402.1.3 R-value computation
  - Insulation material used in layers, such as framing cavity insulation and insulating sheathing, shall be summed to compute the component R-value
- The manufacturer's settled R-value shall be used for blown insulation (Attics)
- **Computed R-values shall not include an R-value for other building materials or air films**

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### 2018 Prescriptive R-value Table Compliance Specification

Declare to the Code official that the pathway for compliance is the prescriptive path

TABLE R402.1.2  
INSULATION AND FENESTRATION REQUIREMENTS BY COMPONENT\*

CLIMATE ZONE	CEILING	WALL	FLOOR	SLAB	ROOF	SKYLIGHT	GLAZED FENESTRATION	GLAZED FENESTRATION	GLAZED FENESTRATION	CRAWL SPACE* WALL R-VALUE
1										0
2										0
3	0.32	0.55	0.25	38	20 or 13+5 <sup>b</sup>	8/13	19	10/13	10, 2 ft	5/13
4 except Marine	0.32	0.55	0.40	49	20 or 13+5 <sup>b</sup>	8/13	19	10/13	10, 2 ft	10/13
5 and Marine 4	0.30	0.55	NR	49	20 or 13+5 <sup>b</sup>	13/17	30 <sup>f</sup>	15/19	10, 2 ft	15/19
6	0.30	0.55	NR	49	20+5 <sup>c</sup> or 13+10 <sup>d</sup>	15/20	30 <sup>f</sup>	15/19	10, 4 ft	15/19
7 and 8	0.30	0.55	NR	49	20+5 <sup>c</sup> or 13+10 <sup>d</sup>	19/21	38 <sup>f</sup>	15/19	10, 4 ft	15/19

NR = Not Required

For SL: 1 foot = 304.8 mm

a. R-values are minimums. U-factors and SHGC are maximums. Where insulation is installed in a cavity that is less than the label or design thickness of the insulation, the installed R-value of the insulation shall be not less than the R-value specified in the table.

b. The fenestration U-factor column excludes skylights. The SHGC column applies to all glazed fenestration.

Exception: In Climate Zones 1 through 3, skylights shall be permitted to be excluded from glazed fenestration SHGC requirements provided that the SHGC for such skylights does not exceed 0.30.

c. "10/13" means R-10 continuous insulation on the interior or exterior of the home or R-13 cavity insulation on the interior of the basement wall. "15/19" means R-15 continuous insulation on the interior or exterior of the home or R-19 cavity insulation at the interior of the basement wall. Alternatively, compliance with "15/19" shall be R-13 cavity insulation on the interior of the basement wall plus R-5 continuous insulation on the interior or exterior of the home.

d. R-5 insulation shall be provided under the full slab area of a heated slab in addition to the required slab edge insulation R-value for slabs, as indicated in the table. The slab edge insulation for heated slabs shall not be required to extend below the slab.

e. There are no SHGC requirements in the Marine Zone.

f. Basement wall insulation is not required in warm-humid locations as defined by Figure R301.1 and Table R301.1.

g. Alternatively, insulation sufficient to fill the framing cavity and providing not less than an R-value of R-19.

h. The first value is cavity insulation, the second value is continuous insulation. Therefore, as an example, "13+5" means R-13 cavity insulation plus R-5 continuous insulation.

i. Mass walls shall be in accordance with Section R402.2.5. The second R-value applies where more than half of the insulation is on the interior of the mass wall.

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## Floor Systems



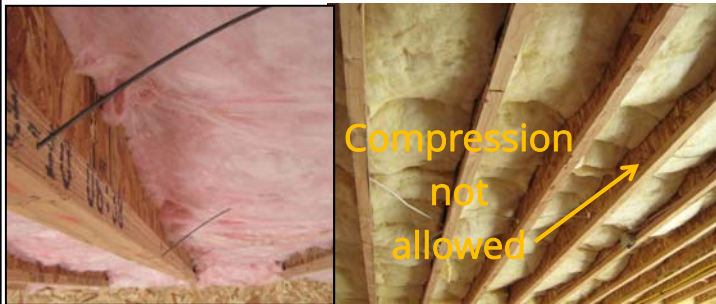
### • Best Practices

- Insulation must be in contact with the surface it is intended to insulate
- Insulation completely fills the cavity

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### • R402.2.7 Floors.

- Floor insulation shall be installed to maintain permanent contact with the underside of the subfloor decking.
- R-30 climate zone 5



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## Ducts in Garage Ceiling

### Code requirements

- Insulation in complete contact with subfloor
- Insulation encapsulates duct
- IECC Table 402.1.2 footnote G
- Minimum R-19 below duct



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## R402.1.4 U-factor Alternative



CLIMATE ZONE	FENESTRATION U-FACTOR	SKYLIGHT U-FACTOR	CEILING U-FACTOR	FRAME WALL U-FACTOR	MASS WALL U-FACTOR <sup>b</sup>	FLOOR U-FACTOR	BASEMENT WALL U-FACTOR	CRAWL SPACE WALL U-FACTOR
1	0.50	0.75	0.035	0.084	0.197	0.064	0.360	0.477
2	0.40	0.65	0.030	0.084	0.165	0.064	0.360	0.477
3	0.32	0.55	0.030	0.060	0.098	0.047	0.091 <sup>c</sup>	0.136
4 except Marine	0.32	0.55	0.026	0.060	0.098	0.047	0.059	0.065
5 and Marine 4	0.30	0.55	0.026	0.060	0.082	0.033	0.050	0.055
6	0.30	0.55	0.026	0.045	0.060	0.033	0.050	0.055
7 and 8	0.30	0.55	0.026	0.045	0.057	0.028	0.050	0.055

- **An assembly** with a U-factor equal to or less than that specified in Table R402.1.4 shall be permitted as an alternative to the R-value in Table R402.1.2
- Example: Climate zone 5 framed wall
  - U- .060 = R-16.67
  - R-value table requires cavity insulation at R20 or 13+5
  - 1/20 = U.05 Plus sheathing, air film, etc. = U.06

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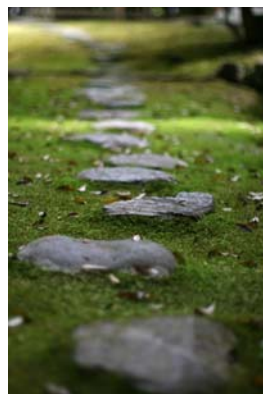


## All other paths use a software

Software allows tradeoffs



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## What is a Reference Design

- Reference Design
  - A standard set of house specifications that generate a specific level of quantifiable energy performance
- The concept Code uses to show compliance with the UA Trade Off (ResCheck) and the Simulated Performance Path

The Actual built homes performance will be less than or equal to the performance of the code standard reference design

The Standard reference design for code is the prescriptive path of compliance built in Table 405.5.2 (1)

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## Twin Houses

*2018 IECC reference design house*

vs.

*Builder's desired house*

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Geometric Twin</li> <li>• 2018 IECC prescriptive envelope U-values in (Table 402.1.4)</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Geometric Twin</li> <li>• Envelope U-values based on Builder's Specification</li> </ul> |
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If the Builder's house has the same or lower area weighted U-values then it meets the intent of code

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## R402.1.5 Total UA alternative

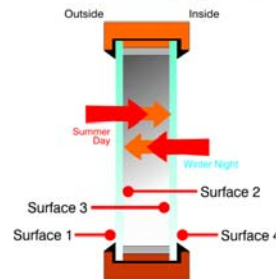


A method for performing conductive energy trade offs

- Trading off the R-values and U-values in the thermal envelope
- Mathematically making the R-value and U-value paths



**Conduction = Heat Flow through Materials**



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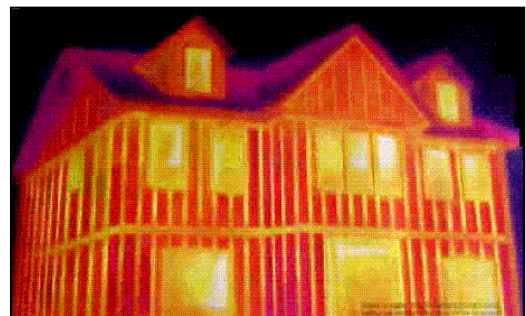


## R402.1.5 Total UA alternative

- If the total building thermal envelope UA (sum of U-factor times assembly area) is less than or equal to the total UA resulting from using the U-factors in Table R402.1.4 (multiplied by the same assembly area as in the proposed building), the building shall be considered in compliance with Table R402.1.1.
- The UA calculation shall include the thermal bridging effects of framing materials.



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# Example

## IECC 2018 Building UA Compliance

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**Inspection Status**  
Results are projected

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### Building UA

Elements	IECC Reference	As Designed
Ceilings	26.8	21.0
Above-Grade Walls	144.0	129.7
Windows, Doors and Skylights	137.1	120.5
Slab Floor:	27.3	27.3
Framed Floors	4.4	6.0
Basement Walls	60.8	50.2
Rim Joists	11.5	10.0
<b>Overall UA (Design must be equal or lower):</b>	<b>411.9</b>	<b>364.7</b>

### Mandatory Requirements

<b>202.1.6</b> Total UA alternative for insulation and fenestration	<b>202.4.1.2</b> Air Leakage Testing	<b>202.5</b> Area-weighted average fenestration SHGC
<b>202.5</b> Area-weighted average fenestration U-Factor	<b>204</b> Lighting Equipment Efficiency	<b>Mandatory Checklist</b>
<b>IRC M1506.4.3</b> Mechanical Ventilation Rate IRC 2018 Chapter 15	<b>203.3.3</b> Duct Testing	<b>203.8.3</b> Hot water pipe insulation

Design exceeds requirements for IECC 2018 Prescriptive compliance by **11.5%.**

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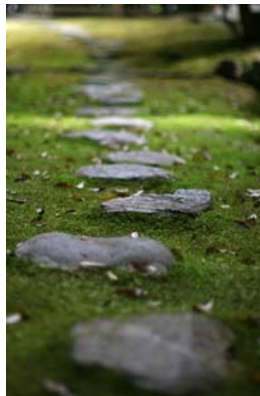
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## Simulated performance alternative - R405



- This section establishes criteria for compliance using simulated energy performance analysis
- Such analysis shall include
  - Heating
  - Cooling,
  - Service water heating energy only
- Compliance with this section requires that the **(Mandatory)** items still be met



Mechanical equipment tradeoff removed

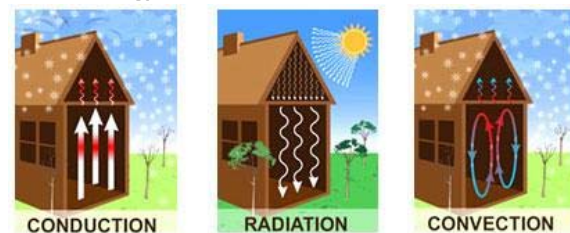


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## R405 Performance-based compliance

- Energy Analysis
  - A method for performing whole house performance energy trade offs
    - **Conduction** - Trading off R-values and U-values
    - [Convection – Energy moving with air infiltration and exfiltration](#)
    - **Radiation** – Trade offs created by energy moving from areas of high concentrations to low concentration through open space.

Energy moves from warm to cold



<http://www.bpihomeowner.org/blog/technically-speaking-principles-heat-transfer>

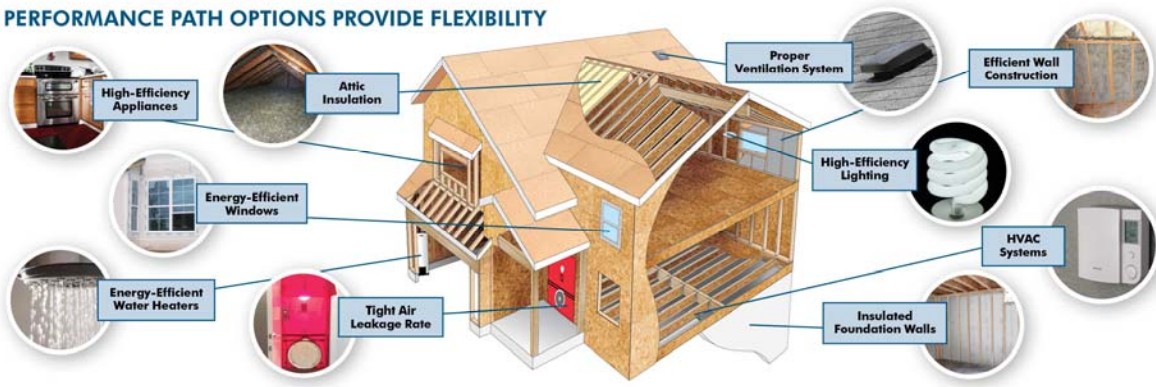


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## Building Science built into the code

### PERFORMANCE PATH OPTIONS PROVIDE FLEXIBILITY



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## The Reference Home/Twin Home Concept

Used by modeling software for Code

2015 reference design house  
Built from table 405.5.2(1)

vs. Rated Home: Builders desired house

- The reference home is the **geometric twin** of the rated home *configured to a standard set of thermal performance characteristics*.
  - I.e. The 2015 IECC Prescriptive path
- The home you are building and evaluating, compared to the "Reference" home in order to quantify performance and demonstrate compliance with the Energy code.



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# Energy Costs?

- 405.3 Performance-based compliance.** Compliance based on simulated energy performance requires that a proposed residence (proposed design) be shown to have an annual energy cost that is less than or equal to the annual energy cost of the standard reference design.



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Annual Energy Cost		IECC 2018 Performance	As Designed
Design			
Heating		\$521	\$472
Cooling		\$147	\$122
Water Heating		\$156	\$156
Mechanical Ventilation		\$39	\$14
<b>SubTotal - Used to determine compliance</b>		<b>\$863</b>	<b>\$764</b>
Lights & Appliances w/out Ventilation		\$699	\$699
Onsite generation		\$0	\$0
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$1,472</b>	<b>\$1,373</b>

**205.3** Performance-based compliance passes by 11.5% ☒

**202.4.1.2** Air Leakage Testing ☒

**202.5** Area-weighted average fenestration SHGC ☒

**202.5** Area-weighted average fenestration U-Factor ☒

**204** Lighting Equipment Efficiency ☒

**Mandatory Checklist** ☒

**IRC M1906.4.3** Mechanical Ventilation Rate IRC 2015 Chapter 15 ☒

**Design exceeds requirements for IECC 2018 Performance compliance by 11.5%.**

As a 3rd party extension of the code jurisdiction utilizing these reports, I certify that this energy code compliance document has been created in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 4 of the adopted International Energy Conservation Code based on Climate Zone 5. If rating is Projected, I certify that the building design described herein is consistent with the building plans, specifications, and other calculations submitted with the permit application. If rating is Confirmed, I certify that the address referenced above has been inspected/tested and that the mandatory provisions of the IECC have been installed to meet or exceed the intent of the IECC or will be verified as such by another party.

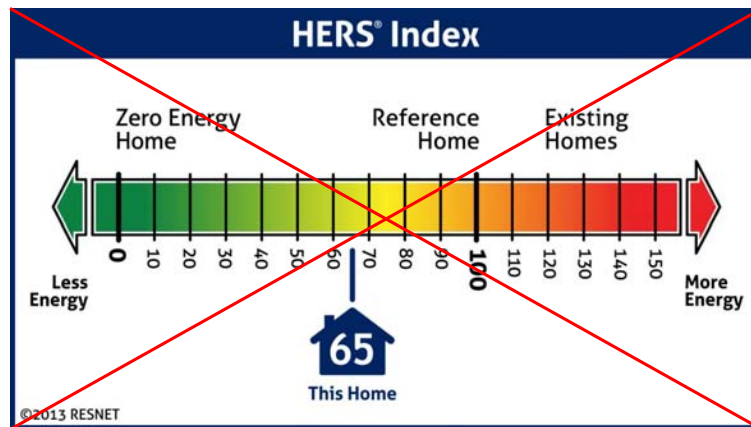
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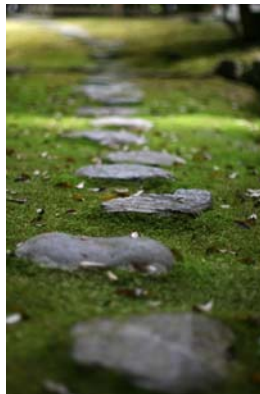
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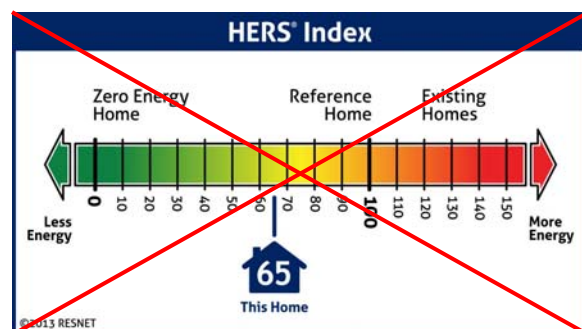
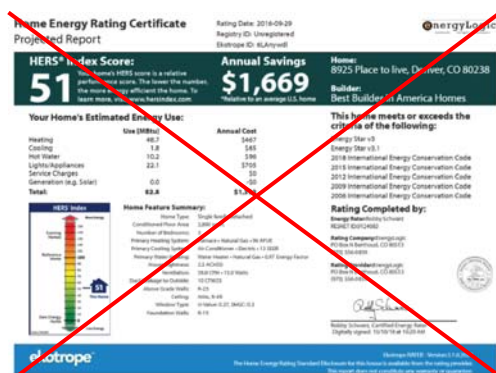
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## Section R406 of the 2015/2018 IECC Energy Rating Index Compliance Alternative

ERI Index Score  $\neq$  HERS Index Score any more



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## 2015 IECC misprint and the Errata

### er·ra·tum

i' rätəm, -' rā-, -' rat-/ *noun*

plural noun: **errata**

An error in printing or writing.

A list of corrected errors appended to a book or published in a subsequent issue of a journal.

**R406.2 Mandatory requirements.** Compliance with this section requires that the ~~mandatory~~ provisions identified in Sections ~~R401.2 R401 through R404 labeled as 'mandatory'~~ and Section R403.5.3 be met. The building thermal envelope shall be greater than or equal to levels of efficiency and Solar Heat Gain Coefficient in Table 402.1.2 or 402.1.4 of the 2009 *International Energy Conservation Code*.

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## Mandatory sections of the 2015/18 IECC

- R401.1 Mandatory Requirements
  - Section R402.4 Air Leakage
    - R402.4.1.2 Testing
      - Air leakage rate not exceeding 5 air changes per hour in Climate Zones 1 and 2, and 3 air changes per hour in Climate Zones 3 through 8
    - Table R402.4.1.1 Air barriers and Insulation
  - Section R403 Systems
  - Section R404 Electrical Power and Lighting Systems
  - Prescriptive requirements in R403.5.3
    - Hot water pipe insulation



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## R406.2 Mandatory Requirements

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### 2018 IECC

- If there is **no solar** on the home then the builders **must** also meet the minimum prescriptive envelope efficiency measures in the **2009 IECC**
- If **Solar** is installed on a home using the ERI path, builders **must** also meet the minimum prescriptive envelope efficiency measures in the **2015 IECC**



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5 and Marine 4	0.35 0.32	NR	R-38 49	R20 or 13+5	R-13/17	R-30	R-10/13 15/19	R-10, 2ft	R-10/13 15/19
Climate Zone 6	0.35 0.32	NR	R-49	R-20 or 13+5 R20+5 or 13+10	R-15/20	R-30	R-15/19	R-10, 4ft	R-10/13 15/19
Climate Zone 7 & 8	0.35 0.32	NR	R-49	R-21 R20+5 or 13+10	R-19/21	R-38	R-15/19	R-10, 4ft	R-10/13 15/19

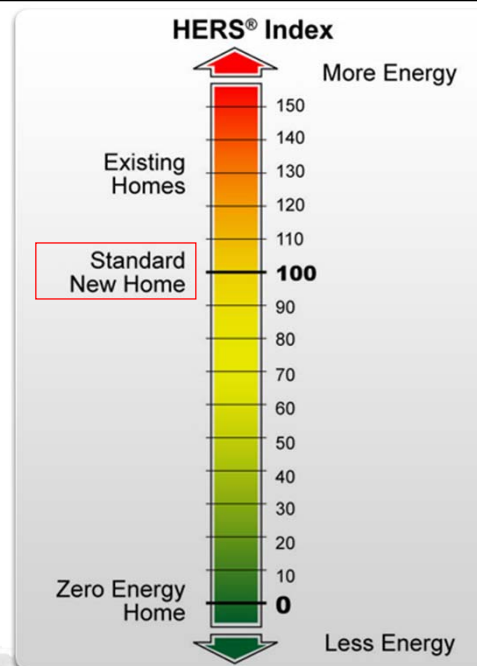


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### Why create a backstop

- 100 meets the minimum requirements of the 2006 International Energy Conservation Code prescriptive requirements



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## Why create a backstop?

### 2006 IECC compliant

- 2 story
- 2800 Square Feet
- Single Family Detached
- Conditioned basement
- HERS Index
  - HERS 100
  - 6.5K PV system = HERS ERI 55

### House Specs

- Foundation R-10
- Slab R-0
- Floor over garage R-30 **Grade 3**
- Rim R-19 **Grade 3**
- Walls blown R-19 / Knee wall R-13 **Grade 3**
- Windows U-.35/SHGC -.35
- Doors R-5/ R-2.2
- Attic R-38 flat R-30 edge
- Furnace 80 AFUE w/ 4% CFM LTO & 5% supply & return in attic R-6
- Water Heater .56 EF
- AC 12 Seer
- 8 ACH50 & Exhaust Ventilation
- Default appliances 0% CFL

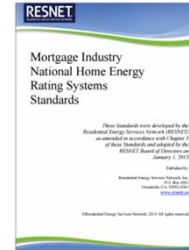
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## R406.3.1 ERI reference design

### 2015 IECC

- The *ERI reference design* shall be configured such that it meets the minimum requirements of the 2006 *International Energy Conservation Code* prescriptive requirement



### 2018 IECC

- The Energy Rating Index will be developed in accordance with ANSI/RESNET/ICC 301-2014
- The proposed residential building shall be shown to have an annual total normalized Modified Loads that are less than or equal to the annual total Loads of the *ERI reference design*



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## Twin Houses

### *ERI reference design house*

- Geometric Twin
- 2006 IECC prescriptive requirements



VS.

### *Builder's desired house*

- Geometric Twin
- Mandatory 2009 IECC Envelope R-Values
- 2015 IECC Mandatory Requirements



The Builder's house must have the Energy Rating Index Required by code, or lower, to meet the intent of code

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## Table R406.4 Maximum Energy Rating Index

Climate Zone	2015 IECC Energy Rating Index
1	52
2	52
3	51
4	54
5	55
6	54
7	53
8	53

Climate Zone	2018 IECC Energy Rating Index
1	57
2	57
3	57
4	62
5	61
6	61
7	58
8	58

Compliance based on an ERI analysis requires that the *rated design* be shown to have an ERI less than or equal to the appropriate value listed in Table R406.3, when compared to the *ERI reference design*

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## Summary of ERI Path

- Mandatory Insulation levels (Backstop)
  - 2015 ERI 2009 IECC Insulation Table
  - 2018 ERI 2009 IECC Insulation Table or 2015 IECC Insulation Table
  - Hot water pipe insulation
- Specific ERI score per climate zone
  - 2015 ERI created per code defined RESNET process
  - 2018 ERI score created per ANSI/RESNET/ICC standard 301
- Other Normal Code compliance Mandatory/Prescriptive requirements

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# Features that can Impact the ERI score (Lower the score)

- Mechanical equipment
  - High efficiency furnace
  - High efficiency AC
  - High efficiency water heater
- More R-value than required by the 2009 IECC
- House orientation with the ERI
- House tightness below 3 ACH50
- Duct leakage to the outside
- Duct location
- Whole house fan
- CFL or LED Lighting above 75%
- High efficiency appliances
- Solar



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## 2015 IECC R-406 Projected Energy Rating Index Report

### Property

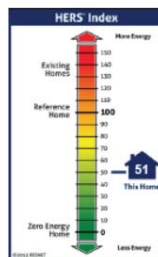
Builder: Best Builder In America Homes  
Address: 5925 Place to live, Denver, CO 80238

### Organization

Company: EnergyLogic  
Phone: 720-838-0677  
Rater: Robby Schwarz

### Energy Rating Index Information

Projected Rating  
Rating No: 9124083  
Rater ID (RTN): 9124083  
Date Rated: 2016-09-29



Estimated Annual Energy Consumption*		
	Rated Home Calculated Energy Use (MBtu)	Rated Home Cost (\$/yr)
Heating	48.7	\$467
Cooling	1.8	\$65
Water Heating	10.2	\$96
Lights & Appliances	22.1	\$705
Photovoltaics	0.0	\$0
<b>Total</b>	<b>82.8</b>	<b>\$1,333</b>

\*Based on standard operating conditions

ERI with PV: 51

ERI without PV: 51

Annual Estimates	
Electric (kWh): 6,219.3	CO2 Emissions (Tons): 9.6
Natural Gas (Therms): 615.4	Energy Savings (\$/yr): N/A

\*Based on the 2015 IECC R-406 Reference design home

Maximum Energy Rating Index: 55      This Home's Energy Rating Index: 51      **PASS**

This home MEETS the Energy Rating Index Score requirement of 2015 IECC R-406 for Climate Zone 5. It MEETS all of the requirements verified by Ekotrope. Mandatory requirements are summarized on the 2nd page of this report, some of which are not verified by Ekotrope.

Name: Robby Schwarz      Signature: *Robby Schwarz*  
Organization: EnergyLogic      Digitally signed: 10/10/18 at 10:29 AM

### Rating Provider Data and Seal

Company: EnergyLogic  
Address: PO Box N Berthoud, CO 80513  
Phone #: (970) 556-0839  
Fax #:



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## 2018 IECC R-406 Projected Energy Rating Index Report

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Natural Gas (Therms): 615.4	

Maximum Energy Rating Index: 61      This Home's Energy Rating Index: 61      **PASS**

This home MEETS the Energy Rating Index Score requirement of 2018 IECC R-406 for Climate Zone 5. It MEETS all of the requirements verified by Ekotrope. Mandatory requirements are summarized on the 2nd page of this report, some of which are not verified by Ekotrope.

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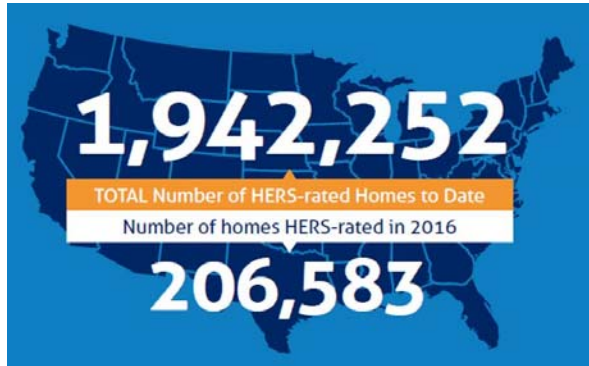
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## Will the ERI path be used?



- In 2015
  - 190,180 homes were HERS Rated
  - Average HERS Index 62
- In 2016
  - 206,583 homes were HERS Rated
  - Average HERS Index 61
- In 2017
  - 227,840 homes were HERS Rated
  - Average HERS Index 62
- HERS  $\neq$  ERI

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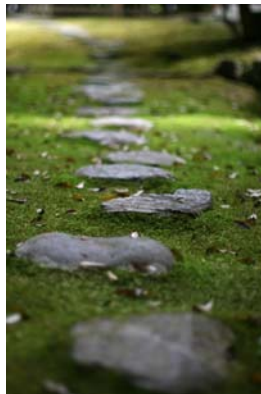
## Code Compliance Paths



Prescriptive Path



UA Compliance Path



Simulated  
Performance Path



Energy Rating Index  
Path

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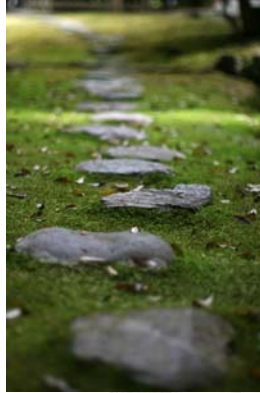
# Code Compliance Paths



Prescriptive Path



UA Compliance Path

Simulated  
Performance PathEnergy Rating Index  
Path

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2015 ERI = 51  
2018 ERI = 61

## Home Energy Rating Certificate Projected Report

Rating Date: 2016-09-29  
Registry ID: Unregistered  
Ekotrope ID: 6LAAnywdl

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### HERS® Index Score:

# 51

Your home's HERS score is a relative performance score. The lower the number, the more energy efficient the home. To learn more, visit [www.hersindex.com](http://www.hersindex.com)

### Annual Savings

# \$1,669

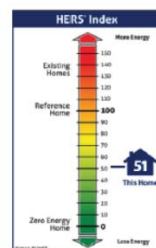
\*Relative to an average U.S. home

**Home:**  
8925 Place to live, Denver, CO 80238

**Builder:**  
Best Builder In America Homes

### Your Home's Estimated Energy Use:

	Use [MBtu]	Annual Cost
Heating	48.7	\$467
Cooling	1.8	\$65
Hot Water	10.2	\$96
Lights/Appliances	22.1	\$705
Service Charges		\$0
Generation (e.g. Solar)	0.0	-\$0
<b>Total:</b>	<b>82.8</b>	<b>\$1,333</b>



### Home Feature Summary:

Home Type:	Single family detached
Conditioned Floor Area:	2,800 sq. ft.
Number of Bedrooms:	3
Primary Heating System:	Furnace • Natural Gas • 96 AFUE
Primary Cooling System:	Air Conditioner • Electric • 13 SEER
Primary Water Heating:	Water Heater • Natural Gas • 0.97 Energy Factor
House Tightness:	2.5 ACH50
Ventilation:	58.0 CFM • 15.0 Watts
Duct Leakage to Outside:	10 CFM25
Above Grade Walls:	R-23
Ceiling:	Attic R-49
Window Type:	U-Value: 0.27, SHGC: 0.3
Foundation Walls:	R-15

### This home meets or exceeds the criteria of the following:

Energy Star v3  
Energy Star v3.1  
2018 International Energy Conservation Code  
2015 International Energy Conservation Code  
2012 International Energy Conservation Code  
2009 International Energy Conservation Code  
2006 International Energy Conservation Code

### Rating Completed by:

**Energy Rater:** Robby Schwarz  
RESNET ID: 9124083

**Rating Company:** EnergyLogic  
PO Box N Berthoud, CO 80513  
(970) 556-0839

**Rating Provider:** EnergyLogic  
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## IECC Compliance Reality

### Base House

- 2 story
- 2800 Square Feet
- Single Family Detached
- Conditioned basement

Compliance Comparison	
2018 UA Trade OFF	Pass By 4.1%
2015 UA Trade OFF	Pass by 6.2%
2018 Simulated Performance	Pass by 1.1%
2015 Simulated Performance	Pass by 0.5%
HERS ERI	76
2015 ERI	76 (required ERI 55 CZ 5)
2018 ERI	89 (required ERI 61 CZ 5)

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## Why the Code ERI is diverging from the HERS ERI

Codified calculation methodology vs. continual maintenance ANSI Standard

- HERS ERI
  - Ventilation Rate based on ASHRAE 62.2-2013
  - Size adjustment factor and LED Lighting modeling example of continual maintenance
- 2015
  - In alignment with HERS ERI at the time of codification
- 2018
  - Ventilation Rate based on ASHRAE 62.2-2010



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## Which Pathway to use?

**Home Energy Rating Certificate**  
Confirmed Report

Rating Date:  
Registry ID: 631462669  
Rating Number: 631462669

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**HERS® Index Score:**  
Your home's HERS score is a relative performance score. The lower the number, the more energy efficient the home. To learn more, visit [www.hersindex.com](http://www.hersindex.com)  
**47**

**Annual Savings**  
**\$5,912**  
\*Relative to an average U.S. home

**Home:**  
123 Fake St., Anytown, CO  
**Builder:**  
Ekotrope

**Your Home's Estimated Energy Use:**

	Use (MBtu)	Annual Cost
Heating	77.0	\$2,182
Cooling	0.9	\$53
Hot Water	17.1	\$240
Lights/Appliances	36.0	\$1,944
Service Charges		\$0
Generation (e.g. Solar)	23.1	-\$2,689
<b>Total:</b>	<b>131.1</b>	<b>\$1,730</b>

**This home meets or exceeds the criteria of the following:**  
Energy Star v3  
Energy Star v3.1  
2006 International Energy Conservation Code  
2009 International Energy Conservation Code  
2012 International Energy Conservation Code  
2015 International Energy Conservation Code

**HERS Index**  
A vertical color scale from 0 (red) to 100 (green). The score 47 is marked on the scale.

**Home Feature Summary:**  
Home Type: Single family detached  
Conditioned Floor Area: 4,500 sq. ft.  
Number of Bedrooms: 4  
Primary Heating System: Furnace + Natural Gas + 95 AFUE  
Primary Cooling System: Air Conditioner + Electric + 16 SEER  
Primary Water Heating: Water Heater + Natural Gas + 0.69 Energy Factor  
House Tightness: 1560 CFM50  
Duct Leakage to Outside: 0 CFM25  
Above Grade Walls: R-21  
Ceiling: R-50  
Window Type: U-Value: 0.310, SHGC: 0.250  
Foundation Walls: R-11

**Rating Completed by:**  
Energy Rater: Test Rater  
RESNET ID: 5459456  
**Rating Company:** Ekotrope Rating Co.  
**Rating Provider:** Ekotrope Provider  
Test Rater, Certified Energy Rater

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Ekotrope HERS Rating Tool - Version 3.0.0.11/10  
The Home Energy Rating Standard Disclosure for this house is available from the rating provider.

Section R405 Simulated Performance Path HERS Index is a **by product**

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## Four Steps of IECC Performance Compliance using the Simulated Performance Path or the Energy Rating Index

### Step 1

From Plan Analysis:

- Demonstrates that the proposed design will comply with the IECC.
- Determine the most cost effective way to comply with the IECC.
- Develop required permitting submittal documents.
- Assistance with other required documents such as air sealing details.

### Step 2

Rough Inspection:

- Perform IECC required rough inspections for compliance, quality assurance, and builder risk.
- Inspections allow 3<sup>rd</sup> Party to generate final documentation that is needed to obtain the certificate of occupancy.
- Insulation, air barrier, windows, HVAC, Duct leakage, ventilation and more will be inspected.
- Action item reporting after each inspection.



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## Four Steps of IECC Performance Compliance Simulated Performance Path or Energy Rating Index



### Step 3

#### Final Inspection:

- Diagnostics - Blower door air tightness and duct leakage to outside.
- Attic and foundation insulation.
- Controlled whole house mechanical ventilation / Spot Ventilation.
- Action item reporting after each inspection.

### Step 4

#### Modeling and Certification

- Making the from plans analysis address and lot/site specific including the details of what has been inspected at rough and final.
- Generate required code compliance certificates and reports for C.O.
- Homes using the Simulated Performance Path receive a cost compliance report, and other required reports.
- The HERS Index is a byproduct on code compliance using the SPP.

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## Agenda

- Intro
- Prescriptive Path
- UA Trade off Path
- Simulated Performance Path
- Energy Rating Index
- Process
- Builders Will Use the Simulated Performance Path



Change is Hard ... Change is Good... Change can be Made Easier

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