

BC ENERGY STEP CODE REQUIREMENTS FOR RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS

This Notice is to inform all stakeholders that *building permits applied for on or after January 1, 2022, must demonstrate compliance with the energy performance and administrative requirements of the Energy Step Code as adopted by the City of Kamloops for the following building types:*

Part 9 – Step 3: All new residential buildings regulated by Part 9 of the BC Building Code must comply with the requirements to meet Step 3 as defined in Subsection 9.36.6 of the BC Building Code.

Part 3 – Step 2: All new buildings regulated by Part 3 of the BC Building Code must comply with the requirements to meet Step 2 or the established Step depending on occupancy classification as defined in Subsection 10.2.3 of the BC Building Code.

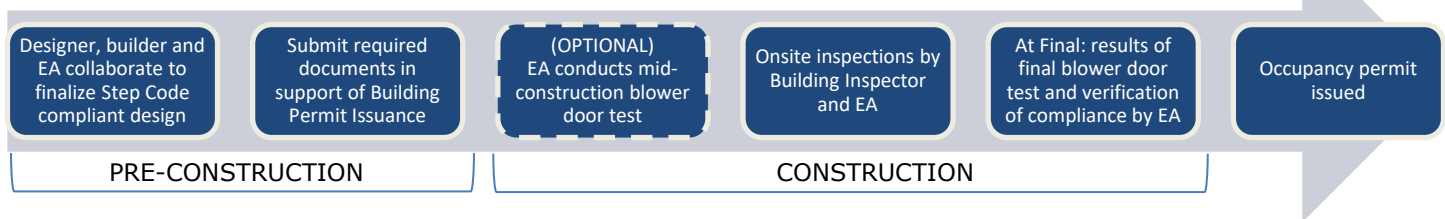
Key Changes:

To comply, builders must work with a Licensed Energy Advisor (EA) and/or Registered Professional to ensure the building design and construction meet the applicable energy performance and administrative requirements of the Step Code, which involves energy modelling software and on-site blower-door testing.

In addition to typical permit application requirements, the following documents are required as part of all new building permit applications related to the Step Code Part 9 Buildings (residential buildings):

- **Building Permit Application:**
 - *Pre-Construction BC Energy Compliance Report*
 - Complete pre-construction HOT2000 Full House Report (PDF)
 - Plan drawings showing layout, sizes, and construction requirements that match the information in the pre-construction compliance report
 - Submission of information required by Articles 2.2.8.2. and 2.2.8.3. (Div C Part 2 BCBC)
- **Upon Final Inspection:**
 - *As-Built BC Energy Compliance Report*
 - Post-construction blower door test result
 - A PDF copy of the EnerGuide label (or equivalent)
 - Final EnerGuide label provided by NRCan to be displayed on the property when received (typically in the electrical/mechanical room)

General Process for Step Code Construction:



Visit **EnergyStepCode.ca** for information and helpful resources on the Energy Step Code, or **BetterHomesBC.ca** for information on CleanBC’s incentive offerings.

Visit **Kamloops.ca/StepCode**, email **building@kamloops.ca**, or call **250-828-3554** for more information on meeting the Energy Step Code requirements for residential buildings in Kamloops.