

NEW 2024 Ontario Building Code (OBC) comes into effect on January 1, 2025

To: All Builders, Designers and Developers

This letter is to inform you of the implementation of new 2024 Ontario Building Code (OBC) as of January 1, 2025. The Ontario government has implemented the new 2024 Ontario Building Code which has over 2000 documented changes from previous 2012 OBC. The 2024 Ontario Building Code is slowly aligning with the National Building Code. The current building code will continue until March 31, 2025. Please familiar yourself with the changes and make sure your using most up to date version of the OBC. Please see the below link of the 2024 OBC changes provided by the OBOA (Ontario Building Official's Association) for your review:

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/2024-ontario-building-code>

Timing and Transition Rules:

The 2024 Building Code comes into effect on January 1, 2025, with a three-month grace period until March 31, 2025, for certain designs that are already underway.

Please note all the important transition period dates:

Up to December 31, 2024

- Permit applications must be submitted using the 2012 Building Code.

January 1, 2025 to March 31, 2025

- Permit applications must be submitted using the new 2024 Building Code.
- Permit applications may be submitted using the 2012 Building Code if the applicant demonstrates that their working drawings were substantially completed by December 31, 2024.

April 1, 2025

- Permit applications must be submitted using the 2024 Building Code.

Next Steps

The Town of Tecumseh encourages all developers, contractors and homeowners to familiarize themselves with the upcoming changes to ensure a smooth transition.

For more information about the changes to the Ontario Building Code, please visit www.ontario.ca/page/2024-ontario-building-code.

Thank you for your continued patience!