

**CITY OF SULTAN  
WASHINGTON  
ORDINANCE NO. 1240-16**

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**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SULTAN, WASHINGTON,  
AMENDING SMC CHAPTER 15.01, BUILDING CODES WITH  
CERTAIN AMENDMENTS TO CONFORM WITH RCW 19.27, THE  
REVISED WASHINGTON STATE BUILDING CODE ACT, WHICH  
GOES INTO EFFECT ON JULY 1, 2016; PROVIDING FOR  
SEVERABILITY AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

WHEREAS, both the City of Sultan and the State have adopted the International Codes by reference to regulate construction and development; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Building Code Council has adopted the 2015 editions of the International Building Code, International Residential Code except for Section P2904 Dwelling unit Fire Sprinkler Systems, International Mechanical Code, International Fuel Gas Code, International Fire Code, International Existing Building Code and International Property Maintenance Code, as published by the International Code Council and the Uniform Plumbing Code as published by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials and the Washington State Energy Code, together with certain amendments thereto, to become effective July 1, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the State has updated Chapter 19.27 of the Revised Code of Washington (RCW), the Washington State Building Code Act, to adopt the 2015 versions of the International Codes, effective July 1, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to update the SMC's Building, Fire and Construction Codes so that Chapter 15.01 of the SMC is consistent with RCW 19.27 effective July 1, 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SULTAN, WASHINGTON, ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. SMC 15.01.030 is hereby amended as follows:

**15.01.030 Adoption of International and other Codes.**

A. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, there shall be in effect in the City of Sultan the building code which shall consist of the following codes which are hereby adopted by reference as amended by the Washington State Building Code Council except for Appendix Q - Dwelling Unit Fire Sprinkler Systems:

1. a. The 2015 International Building Code, published by the International Code Council, Inc. with statewide amendments and as amended within this document;

- b. The 2015 International Residential Code, published by the International Code Council, Inc. with statewide amendments, except Section P2904 Dwelling Unit Fire Sprinkler Systems.;
2. The 2015 International Mechanical Code, published by the International Code Council, Inc., except that the standards for liquefied petroleum gas installations shall be NFPA 58 (Storage and Handling of Liquefied Petroleum Gases) and ANSI Z223.1/NFPA 54 (National Fuel Gas Code);
3. The 2015 Liquefied Petroleum Gas Code (NFPA 58) without exception;
4. The 2015 National Fuel Gas Code (NFPA 54) without exception;
5. The 2015 International Fire Code, published by the International Code Council, Inc. with statewide amendments without exception, including those standards of the National Fire Protection Association specifically referenced in the International Fire Code;
6. The 2015 Uniform Plumbing Code with statewide amendments without exception;
7. The 2015 Washington State Energy Code without exception;
8. The 2015 National Electrical Code (NFPA 70) -- Please see the Department of Labor and Industries for information on the adoption and amendment of the National Electrical Code without exception;
9. The IC/ANSI A117.1-03, Accessible and Usable Buildings and Facilities, with statewide amendments without exception;
10. APPENDICES. Appendices referenced in the text of the construction codes shall be considered an integral part of the construction codes except as otherwise provided in this ordinance;
11. The rules adopted by the Washington State Building Code Council establishing standards for making buildings and facilities accessible to and usable by the physically disabled or elderly persons as provided in RCW 70.92.100 through 70.92.160.
12. In case of conflict among the codes enumerated in subsections (A)(1), (2), (5), and (6) of this section, the first named code shall govern over those following.

B. Intent.

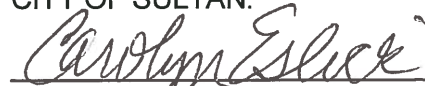
1. The intent of the adoption of the International Building Code by the City of Sultan is to remain consistent with state laws regulating construction, including electrical, plumbing, and energy codes established in Chapters 19.27, 19.27A, and 19.28 RCW. The International Building Code references the International Residential Code for provisions related to the construction of single-family and multiple-family dwellings. No portion of the International Residential Code shall supersede or take precedence over provisions in Chapter 19.28 RCW, regulating the electrical code; nor provisions in RCW 19.27.031(4), regulating the plumbing code; nor provisions in Chapter 19.27A RCW, regulating the energy code.

2. In accordance with RCW 19.27.020, the City shall promote fire and life safety in buildings consistent with accepted standards.
3. The City of Sultan finds that building codes are an integral component of affordable housing. (Ord. 856-04 § 1)


Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance or a summary thereof consisting of the title shall be published in the official newspaper of the City, and shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after publication.

**ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING THEREOF ON THE 9<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2016.**

CITY OF SULTAN:

  
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Mayor Carolyn Eslick

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:

  
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Laura Koenig, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

  
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Amy Mill, City Attorney

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