

MEMORANDUM

TO: Minnesota Chapter 1309 (2012 IRC) Advisory Committee Meeting
FROM: Karen Linner, Director of Codes and Research, BAM
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RE: Review of states that have adopted the 2009 IRC and whether or not they have adopted section R313.2

The following information has been summarized from the National Association of Home Builders data. This information has been reported to NAHB staff by state home builder association staff. Bring any incorrect or more up-to-date information to the attention of Steven Orłowski at sorlowski@nahb.org or Karen Linner at karenl@bamn.org

32 states have adopted the 2009 IRC without a residential sprinkler requirement for single family homes.

(*States with asterisk also do not require sprinklers in two-family dwellings)

- *Alabama
- *Alaska (public hearings required before any jurisdiction can adopt residential sprinkler mandate)
- *Arizona
- *Arkansas
- *Florida
- *Georgia
- *Idaho
- *Iowa-where state building code applies (City and county jurisdictions outside state building code enforced areas can adopt residential sprinkler mandates)
- *Kansas
- *Louisiana
- *Maine
- *Michigan
- Missouri
- *Mississippi
- *Nebraska
- New Hampshire
- *New Jersey
- *New Mexico
- North Carolina
- *North Dakota
- Pennsylvania
- *Rhode Island
- *South Carolina

- *South Dakota
- *Tennessee
- *Texas
- *Utah
- *Vermont
- *Virginia
- *Washington (local jurisdictions can adopt sprinkler mandate as an appendix)
- *West Virginia
- *Wisconsin (Wisconsin state code mirrors the 2009 IRC but prohibits mandatory sprinklers)

10 states have action pending on the adoption of 2009 IRC's sprinkler mandates

- Connecticut
- Hawaii
- Indiana
- Massachusetts
- Minnesota (skipped 2009 IRC, considering 2012 IRC)
- Montana
- Nevada
- Ohio
- Oklahoma
- Oregon

2 states adopted the 2009 IRC with original sprinkler mandate in R313.2

- California
- Maryland (local jurisdictions can amend out sprinkler mandate)

1 state chose not to adopt the 2009 IRC

- Kentucky

3 states have taken no action on adopting the 2009 IRC

- Illinois
- New York
- Wyoming

2 states don't have a statewide building code

- Colorado
- Delaware