

CCLD REVIEW

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2026 Spring Seminar: Residential, energy and mechanical code updates

Registration is open for the Construction Codes and Licensing Division's Spring Seminar designed for construction and building industry professionals.

The seminar will focus on pending changes to the Minnesota Residential Building Code and will highlight new provisions and Minnesota-specific amendments to the 2024 International Residential Code (IRC).



What to expect

- Key updates to the Minnesota Residential Building Code and 2024 IRC amendments.
- Expanded adoption of IRC chapters and new appendices for innovative construction methods.
- Changes to energy, mechanical and fuel gas codes.
- Important updates to residential HVAC and ventilation systems.
- Opportunity to earn continuing education credits at expanded locations.

Attendees will earn seven hours of continuing education credit for building officials and residential contractor license holders, and includes one hour of Residential Energy Code training, meeting the requirement for Minnesota residential contractor licensing.

Seven hours of non-code credit will also be given toward plumbing licensure.

Dates and locations

We've added additional locations and seating to accommodate more attendees at the seven seminar locations throughout Minnesota in April. [View dates and locations.](#)

Registration details

- Cost: \$125 per person (lunch included)
- Register: [Register to attend here.](#) Select "2026 Spring Seminar [more]."

Questions?

Contact Don Sivigny at don.sivigny@state.mn.us or 651-284-5874. Requests for reasonable accommodations can be submitted during registration. Feel free to share the seminar details with others in your network.

Schedule of board and council meetings

Below is a schedule of meetings for boards and council supported by CCLD. Visit the [boards and council webpage](#) to view meeting minutes, agendas, rulemaking documents and schedules for these meetings and additional boards and councils.

Board of Electricity

- April 14, 2026
- July 14, 2026
- Oct. 13, 2026

Board of High Pressure Piping

- July 9, 2026

Construction Codes Advisory Council

- March 24, 2026

Plumbing Board

- March 17, 2026
- April 21, 2026
- July 21, 2026
- Oct. 20, 2026

Interested in serving on a board or council?

Minnesotans are encouraged to apply for positions on state councils, boards, task forces and commissions through the Secretary of State's Open Commissions and Appointments process.

Visit dli.mn.gov/about-department/boards-and-councils for more information about how to apply.

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Translated documents, Language Line available

A selection of documents and web pages related to building codes, workers' compensation, workplace safety, apprenticeship and more have been translated into various languages.

Additionally, DLI has access to Language Line, a free language translation service for limited-English speakers.

View the translated documents and instructions to access Language Line at dli.mn.gov/about-department/about-dli/translated-materials.

HOJA DE DATOS DEL LIBRO DE CÓDIGOS
CÓDIGO RESIDENCIAL DE MINNESOTA 2020
Departamento del Trabajo e Industria de Minnesota

CÓDIGO RESIDENCIAL DE MINNESOTA 2020

- Regula el diseño, construcción, renovación, modificación, alteración, uso y utilización de viviendas anexas para uno o dos familias, ciertos viviendas adosadas (townhouses) y estructuras adicionales.
- Contiene disposiciones detalladas que gobiernan la construcción de viviendas como los requisitos de seguridad estructural, vital, contra incendios y protección contra la humedad.
- Se encuentra en el capítulo 1307 de las Reglas de Minnesota. Este capítulo de las reglas adopta por referencia los capítulos 2 a 10, 44, sección F2004, y el capítulo 4 y 20 del Código Residencial Internacional IRC, por sus reglas en registro enmendado en Minnesota.

FECHA DE VIGENCIA

- El Código Residencial de Minnesota está en vigencia a partir del 31 de marzo de 2020.

LIBRO DE CÓDIGOS

El Código Residencial de Minnesota 2020 es un libro de códigos personalizable y actualizable para Minnesota por el International Code Council (Consejo Internacional de Códigos) ICC. Este incluye las enmiendas de Minnesota al texto de las secciones modificadas y contiene un libro de códigos unificado. También incluye capítulos administrativos de Minnesota, en inglés y en español. Si no es momento comprar el Código Residencial de Minnesota, puede solicitar un libro de códigos unificado en línea.

VEA LOS CÓDIGOS GRATUITAMENTE EN LÍNEA

- Visite www.dli.mn.gov/BusquedaCódigos para ver el código.

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Electrical safety and new permitting for carnivals and fairs

DLI Electrical Supervisors Steven Dudley and Neil Furman and Transitory Program Facilitator Lisa Pazdernik attended the Minnesota Federation of County Fairs annual convention in Bloomington, Minnesota, in January 2026, to share information about licensing, permits and changes to codes.

Each year during this convention, DLI staff members meet individually with carnival owners, inflatable operations, circuses, food vendors, fair board members and anyone who uses electricity at carnivals, festivals, and fairs that attend this convention. New this year is that the department is going paperless for the [permitting process for transitory events](#) and Pazdernik, who works with the transitory owners, was able to meet with them individually and offered a presentation about steps to file permits electronically through iMS – the department’s online license and permit system.



Lisa Pazdernik presents during the convention.

Furman and Dudley conducted two presentations about electrical licensing and significant changes to the 2026 National Electrical Code for carnivals, circuses, fairs and similar events covered in Article 525 of the code. One presentation is tailored for carnival owner-operators and the other is for the fair board members. DLI attends this event yearly to promote electrical safety and to make the owners and board members aware of any changes they may encounter for the new season.

Unlicensed plumbing contractor fined \$3,500

A contractor operating out of Bloomington and Minneapolis was found to have engaged in unlicensed plumbing work. The contractor was ordered to cease and desist from the unlicensed activities and fined \$3,500.

A Minneapolis contractor was found to have engaged in unlicensed residential building construction, electrical and plumbing work. The contractor was ordered to cease and desist from the unlicensed activities and a \$15,000 fine was imposed, of which \$10,000 was stayed contingent on full future compliance.

A licensed residential building contractor based in St. Paul was found to be a judgment debtor based upon conduct requiring licensure. The contractor’s license was revoked and a \$15,000 fine was imposed, which was stayed contingent on full future compliance.

A licensed residential remodeler and plumbing contractor operating out of Brooklyn Park and New Hope was found to have breached contracts with multiple homeowners. The contractor filed for bankruptcy protection and numerous homeowners are now seeking reimbursement from the Contractor Recovery Fund. Both licenses were revoked because of the contractor’s inability to complete projects as contracted.

A Hastings contractor was found to have engaged in unlicensed residential building construction, electrical and plumbing work. The contractor was ordered to cease and desist from the unlicensed activities and a \$17,500 fine was imposed, of which \$12,500 was stayed contingent on full future compliance.



Enforcement actions

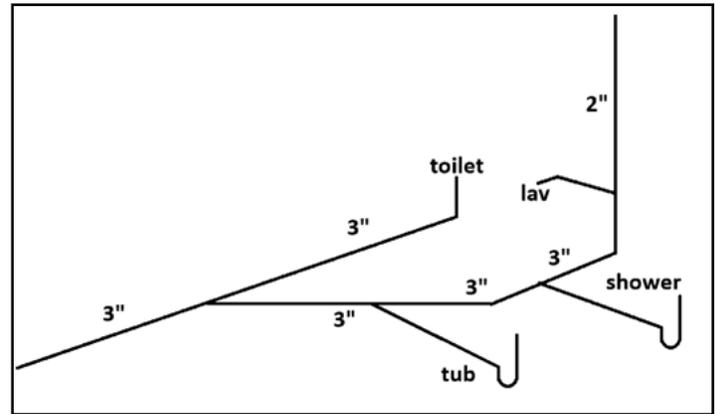
[View summaries of enforcement actions.](#) Contact us at 651-284-5069 or dli.contractor@state.mn.us.

Plumbing Board offers interpretation about wet vent requirements

The Minnesota Plumbing Board met Feb. 24, 2026, to discuss two requests for interpretation brought by members of the public, Scott Thompson (My Plumbing Training) and building official Brian Fehrenbach, about horizontal wet vent sizing (see section 908.2.2, Minnesota Plumbing Code).

Question: When sizing horizontal wet venting and increasing from four drainage fixture units to five drainage fixture units, is the horizontal wet vent required to be 3 inches back to the dry vent served?

Answer: The horizontal wet vent shall be sized for its entire length based upon sizing requirements in Section 908.2.2.



Horizontal wet vent sizing diagram.

Karl Abrahamson, chair of the Minnesota Plumbing Board, gave the interpretation after the vote passed with seven in favor and one abstention (Abrahamson); the motion carried that the horizontal wet vent cannot reduce in size from 3-inch to 2-inch anywhere within the wet vented section once the drainage fixture load requires 3-inch. The official interpretation will be published on the [webpage of the Minnesota Plumbing Board](#).

This language establishes minimum pipe size based on the maximum drainage fixture units entering the wet vent at any point. That means if any portion of the wet vent carries five drainage fixture units or more, the minimum size of the wet vent is 3 inches. Once the minimum size is established, you cannot reduce the size downstream, even if the drainage fixture units decrease.

Wet vents are treated as a single continuous vented section, not as a series of independently sized segments. For example, if the wet vent ever carries five drainage fixture units at the upstream end, then four drainage fixture units after a branch drops off, the code still considers the entire wet vented section to have a minimum required size of 3 inches.

Once the minimum size is established by the maximum load, the pipe cannot be reduced until the system transitions out of the defined vented section. You cannot reduce from 3-inch to 2-inch anywhere within the wet vented section once the fixture load requires 3 inches. A reduction is only allowed after the pipe is no longer serving as a wet vent and becomes the dry vent.

CCLD Learn offers online continuing education

[CCLD Learn](#) – the online, self-paced learning platform from the Construction Codes and Licensing Division – offers an intuitive online interface where visitors can complete continuing education courses and earn continuing education credits toward licensure in topics that interest them.



Current courses include:

- Residential Deck Construction and Inspection
- Residential Deck Design and Plan Review
- Minnesota Accessibility Code Basics
- Residential Building Contractor Licensing and Enforcement
- Elevator Licenses, Stairway Chairlifts and Platform Lifts
- Understanding the Building Code for Special Event Centers
- International Building Code Automatic Fire Sprinkler Requirements
- Glazing and the Residential Code