



PUBLIC NOTICE

Ontario Building Code Changes

Contractors, Designers and Homebuilders

There are changes to the Ontario Building Code that come into effect on **January 1, 2012** relating to Energy Efficiency of Buildings.

Any permit application for a *new Detached, Semi-Detached or Row House* received after December 31, 2011 must include in the design:

- the type and efficiency rating of the proposed heating equipment
- heat recovery ventilator
- domestic water heater, and
- windows and sliding glass doors

The new Supplementary Standard SB-12 of the Ontario Building Code uses the combined efficiency of these items to determine the amount of insulation required for a residential building, and must be included to allow for a complete review of the proposed design prior to issuing a building permit.

Another Building Code change in 2012 is that *no person shall occupy or permit to be occupied any building unless an Occupancy Permit has been issued, for any Single Detached, Semi Detached or Row House where the building permit application was received after December 31, 2011.*

It will be the responsibility of every homeowner, builder and contractor to ensure all inspections are complete and all conditions for occupancy have been met in order to obtain an Occupancy Permit.

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