



AUGUST NEWS AND INFORMATION

2014 National Electrical Code

Pursuant to the [Texas Electrical Safety and Licensing Act](#) and the administrative rules, the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR) has adopted the revised National Electrical Code (NEC), the 2014 NEC, as the "minimum standard" for all electrical work in Texas covered by the Act. In accordance with Chapter 1305.201 of the Act, the City of Houston is proposing to adopt Administrative Provisions and Amendments to this standard.

To review the proposed changes or to submit comments, please visit the [Code Development Section](#) on our webpage. Please submit all comments by **August 15, 2014**.

Drawings & Details

To assist our customers during the plan review process, the Building Code Enforcement Division provides a series of standard engineered, non-engineered, and template drawings to allow for convenient downloading and use. Recently, we updated the drawings to include a common oversight in residential fire-rated wall construction ([Drawing 14-02-M](#)). To view a copy of this drawing and other useful items, please go to <http://www.houstonpermittingcenter.org/code-enforcement/publications.html/#drawings>.

Code Words and Interpretations

As codified in Section 104.1 of the Building Code, the Building Official is authorized to make interpretations or review alternate methods of compliance for construction. To ensure consistent interpretation and utilization, these documents are published as "Code Words". The Code Words are updated and made available online at <http://www.houstonpermittingcenter.org/code-enforcement/publications.html/#houston>.

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OTHER INFORMATION

Customer Assistance & Code Development Office- (832) 394-9494
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For Additional Permit Information:

You may obtain information about permits by visiting our website at www.houstonpermits.com. You will then be linked to our database of sold

permits. If you have questions about any of these permits, please contact our Code Enforcement Group at (832) 394-9494.

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