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**Re: Adoption of 2006 International Building Codes  
Contractor Education Seminar – 2006 International Residential Code**

Dear contractor,

The City of Lawrence recently adopted the 2006 editions of the International Building Code, International Fire Code, International Residential Code (IRC), International Energy Conservation Code, International Existing Building Code, International Mechanical Code, International Plumbing Code, International Fuel Gas Code and International Property Maintenance Code. These codes will become effective January 1, 2008.


Projects for which permit applications are received after January 1, 2008 are required to be designed and constructed in conformance with these new codes. The adoption of these codes will result in changes to construction practices as well as our permit application process and inspection procedures. An outline of some of the most prominent changes from the IRC is available in the Development Services Division offices or online at [www.lawrenceneighres.org](http://www.lawrenceneighres.org). These are by no means the only impacts we may see as the transition to these new codes progresses. Ordinances adopting the codes with amendments can also be viewed on the website.

A registration form for a continuing education seminar titled *2006 IRC transition from 1997 UBC* is enclosed. The program will be presented by an International Code Council instructor and is hosted jointly by the City of Lawrence and the Lawrence Home Builders Association. The intent is to assist with the transition from the previously enforced 1997 Uniform Building Code to the 2006 International Residential Code. The seminar is open to the qualifying parties of Lawrence licensed contractors. The seminar date is Wednesday, December 5, 2007 and **registration forms are due no later than November 20, 2007.**

Additional training for the International codes may be provided in the spring of 2008, and is provided at least bi-annually to Lawrence licensed contractors and others by the Johnson County Licensing Program.

Please contact me or any other Development Services Division staff at 785.832.7700 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

  
Barry Walthall  
Building Safety Manager

