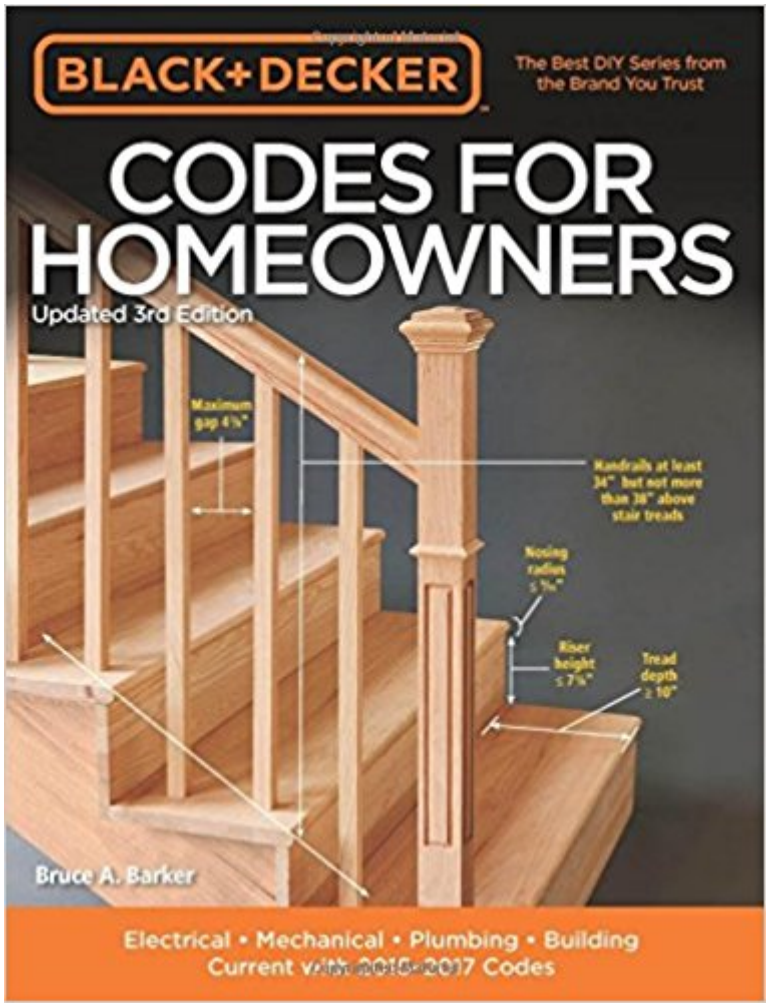
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# Black & Decker Codes For Homeowners, Updated 3rd Edition: Electrical - Mechanical - Plumbing - Building - Current With 2015-2017 Codes (Black & Decker Complete Guide)




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## Synopsis

You don’t need to be an expert to assess your house’s codes - you just need this guide. What is the proper clearance for an egress window? Does flexible duct have to be supported every four feet or five? Can vent pipe terminations be located near operable doors and windows? The difference between a code-compliant fixture and an egregious violation is often smaller than you think. You may have friends, family, or neighbors who claim to know, but how can you be sure? Is it worth taking their advice against future violations, fees, and fixes? The completely updated Codes for Homeowners is here to help. Written by International Residential CodesÃ¢â ¬â œcertified home inspector Bruce Barker, this third edition of Codes for Homeowners is current with most national codes in force for the period of 2015 through 2017. Based on his decades of experience, Inspector Bruce Barker has winnowed down the massive heap of codes in force to only those that a single-family homeowner is likely to encounter. Building codes, electrical codes, plumbing codes, and mechanical (HVAC) codes are shown and described in everyday, easy-to-understand language. This third edition includes all of the great information in the first version but is updated to reflect any changes to codes, including the 2014 National Electrical Code, the 2015 Universal Plumbing Code, and the 2015 International Residential Code.

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29 years in the construction and building inspection industries. Mr. Barker is a Residential Combination Inspector, certified by the International Code Council. He is also a licensed contractor in Arizona, Florida, and North Carolina.Mr. Barker is a member of the American Society of Home Inspectors (ASHI). He currently serves on the Board of Directors after prior service as chairman of the Society's national Standards of Practice Committee. He is also vice president of the North Carolina ASHI chapter. Mr. Barker is a frequent contributor of technical articles to ASHI Reporter, Home Energy, Builder News, and other publications. Mr. Barker is also a member of the International Code Council.Mr. Barker graduated cum laude from the Indiana University School of Business with a degree in accounting. He also graduated from Indiana with an MBA in information systems and studied law at the Indiana University Law School. He is a member of the Beta Alpha Psi and Beta Gamma Sigma academic honor societies. Mr. Barker spent his early career as a consultant with Peat Marwick (now KPMG), an international public accounting and consulting firm, and as the owner of one of the first computer stores in the Midwest.

This book had some good information. Lots of pictures and very readable. Still missed a lot of codes and info. If you are only going to get one code book, do yourself a favor and get "Code Check Complete". It has all the codes in a very readable checklist type format separated by sections. It includes foundations, framing, electrical, plumbing, and HVAC. Basically anything you would need to know in order to build to code. It has helped me tremendously with my bathroom renovation.

Awesome BOOK!!! HIGHLY recommend to anyone doing projects around the house. It pays (especially nowadays) to be educated on this stuff--you don't want to go into your home sale with code issues that you could have avoided when you did the work in the first place. VERY costly sometimes!!! Great descriptions with just the right amount of layman's terms and professional lingo, along with GREAT illustrations/pictures to communicate very effectively the topic. HIGHLY recommend this!!

If you've ever read the IBC then you know how confusing it can be. This book is for the novice builder or home remodeler. It is full of information that is easy to understand. I recommend this for anyone who is doing a project and needs a permit from the local authorities. I would have given it 5 stars, but some of the information didn't have enough details for me.

Caution!! This book is just a very basic, simple reference. It's the equivalent to a Haynes manual for

a vehicle compared to the actual shop manual. It has sporadic information and is a lot like playing the lottery.... It may or may not have what you're looking for and if it does have it, it seems to leave out the punch line. I personally would not recommend getting this unless you need some office reading material. If anyone knows of an actual book that is more informative please let me know some how.

I learned many new things about the code and keeping my house safe in this book. It also has useful descriptions and tables for things like notching studs and joists which were a hassle for me to find elsewhere. The sections on common mistakes were also helpful. While I am an experienced do it yourselfer I found important things in that section as well.

This book is very light on the amount of information it gives. The information is accurate. I was expecting slightly more from this book. If I were able to glance through the whole book I would have gotten something else.

This is a great overall look at the most common code issues and can be a huge time saver.There is no way to be completely comprehensive on all structural, plumbing and electrical codes in one book. If you want more detail on a specific issue go look into the codes themselves. This book is a great place to start.Also definitely get the paperback version, the printing and paper is very high quality.

Not a bad book, it has alot of general info in it. For less than 20 bucks its nice to have as a reffference for projects.

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