



# MABCD CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY NEWSLETTER

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## Administration-

\*\*\*REMINDER\*\*\*

### TRADES CERTIFICATION RENEWALS

Walk-in Thursdays 9:00 am – 4:30 pm  
Walk-in Thursdays will continue through January 25, 2024  
Staff will take walk-ins between scheduled appointments on a “first come, first served” basis.

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#### Special points of interest

- Trade Certificate Renewals..
- 2023 NEC Code Adoption.
- 2024 IBC Code Review.
- Emergency Responder Radio Coverage.
- Advisory Board calendar.

## Electrical Division-

Please visit our website for more information: [Electrical, Elevator, & Alarm Division](#)

### ***2023 National Electrical Code (NEC) adoption***

#### ***2023 National Electrical Code -***

The proposed adoption will be heard by the Sedgwick County Board of County Commissioners and the Wichita City Council sometime in the first quarter of 2024. After adoption, the enforcement date for the 2023 NEC will be January 1, 2025. Any permit issued starting January 1, 2025 will need to comply with the 2023 NEC. Any permit issued prior to January 1, 2025 will continue per the requirements of the 2020 NEC.

There are several significant changes to the 2023 NEC, that you will need to be aware of and we will discuss these over the next several months starting in 2024.

## Electronic File Specifications

When electronic drawings are submitted for review in the Metropolitan Area Building and Construction Department’s Electronic Plan Review System (ePlans), they shall comply with requirements listed below:

- 1) Each sheet of the electronic drawings needs to be a separate file and the file name needs to meet the requirements of the Electronic File Specifications in the Sedgwick County Electronic Plan Approval Submission Guide.
- 2) The electronic drawings need to be uploaded into the Drawing Folder in the above system.
- 3) The specifications for the project can be upload as one file, and needs to be located in the Documents Folder in the above system.

The below is a copy of the Electronic File Specifications from the Sedgwick County Electronic Plan Approval Submission

### Electronic File Specifications

#### 1. File Names

Continue to include an index on your cover sheet and name each sheet according to accepted practice. In order to keep the files in the indexed order, please name the files in sequential order as shown in the example below.

EXAMPLE INDEX OF SHEETS	NAME THE FILES
CVR – COVER SHEET	001 COVER
CODE 1 – SITE CODE PLAN	002 CODE 1
CODE 2 – CODE PLAN	003 CODE 2
C1.0 – SITE PLAN	004 C1.0 SITE PLAN
A1.0 – FLOOR PLAN	005 A1.0 FLOOR PLAN
S1.0 – STRUCTURAL	006 S1.0 STRUCTURAL
M1.0 – MECHANICAL	007 M1.0 MECHANICAL
P1.0 – PLUMBING	008 P1.0 PLUMBING
E1.0 – ELECTRICAL	009 E1.0 ELECTRICAL

#### 2. Character Limit

File names are limited to 40 characters.

#### 3. Sheets

Each sheet must be a single file. All drawings must be uploaded as separate files to the drawings folder and must be the same size. The only exception to this would be spec books, pre-engineered metal building plans and other supplemental information. Please load these items in the documents folder.

#### 4. Border Standards

Make sure you have left space for the MABCD approval batch stamp. The space needs to be completely blank on all drawings and should be a minimum of a 3” square. The empty space should be just inside a ¼” top margin and just inside a 3” right side margin. This should not interfere with most title blocks along the right edge of the plans.

# Wichita Fire Department-

## Section 1103—Fire Safety Requirements for Existing Buildings

### 1103.2 Emergency responder radio coverage in existing buildings

Existing buildings and/or remodels other than R-3 that do not have approved radio coverage for emergency responders in the building based on existing coverage levels of the public safety communication system will be required to submit an in-building coverage test to the fire code official.

Any remodel on or after January 2024 will be required to meet IFC Section 510, IBC, and IEBC requirements.

Within a time frame established by the adopting authority.

**Exception:** Where it is determined by the fire code official that the radio coverage system is not needed.”

### UPDATE

The Wichita Fire Department (WFD) is currently going through the legal process to change the ordinance to extend the date to meet IFC Section 510, IBC, and IEBC requirements.



# MABCD Advisory Boards - Calendar

- [Board of Building Code Standards and Appeals \(BCSA\)](#)
- [Board of Electrical Appeals \(BEA\)](#)
- [Board of Appeals of Refrigeration, Air Conditioning, Warm Air Heating, and Boiler](#)
- [Board of Appeals of Plumbers and Gas Fitters](#)

## January 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 <i>MABCD Mechanical Board Meeting</i>	5	6
7	8 <i>MABCD BCSA Meeting Canceled</i>	9 <i>MABCD Electrical Board Meeting</i>	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31 <i>MABCD Plumbing Board Meeting</i>			

## Directors Desk -



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