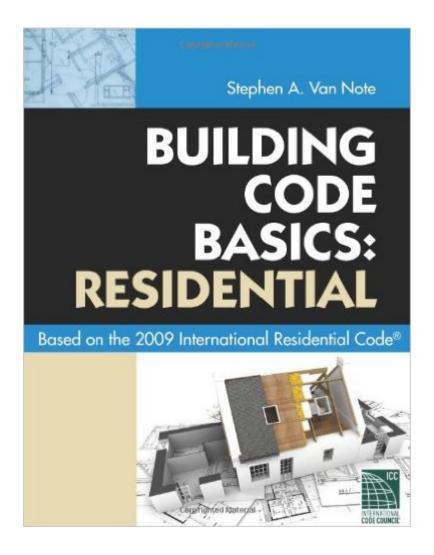
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# Building Code Basics: Residential: Based On 2009 International Residential Code





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This book covers all of the basics you'll need to know from pouring a foundation to selecting

tempered vs untempered glass near a doorway. Using easy to understand color pictures, this book makes the nearly indecipherable Residential Building Code quite palatable.

I ordered this to help me with my new residential construction as required by my county. It says it covers the only 20% of the 2009 IRC you will need to know. Maybe it does, but it is always referring to a table or such that is not in this book. You would need the actual code book anyway. Don't waste your time on this introduction to the actual code book. Quite useless. It doesn't even include the fastener schedule.

A review for another book advised me that you can now download a FULL PDF copy of the code, tailored for your state, from online resources, thanks to a legal victory. But the code is still very complex, and often goes way beyond what you need to know for basic residential code requirements. (For example, it includes commercial applications, townhouses and apartments vs. single family dwellings, etc.) This book was AWESOME as a summary guide with visual explanations, and it includes references to the actual code where necessary. I also have the entire set of Dewalt visual guides to codes. That series has illustrative photos, but in many cases is too simplistic (and offers little explanation). This book serves a perfect balance, however, between illustrations and explanations. The format is outstanding and easy to read or puruse. I would highly recommend this book to anyone who is building a home, remodelling a home, or building an addition onto your home. DO NOT COUNT ON BUILDERS DOING THINGS RIGHT. (All you need to do is watch one episode of "Holmes on Homes" to know how that works.)

I have used this book for years on a regular basis because it has the basic, most commonly used code references that I need when drawing up designs for getting residential building permits for additions and remodels. When I first purchased it, I read it virtually from cover to cover, and its not a bad read - I learned quite a bit. I still go online to public e-codes for the full code when I need to, but this book covers most of what's needed. The illustrations are invaluable for getting an almost instantaneous idea of how something is supposed to be drawn. There are more detailed books on the market, but this is a great overview and good for every day use. I have the 2009 version and about to upgrade to 2012 as the jurisdictions where I work upgrade their reference as well.

I bought this book to help guide me to build our custom home. I have found it invaluable for subs who either don't really know their trades - are not tech savvy enough beyond physically putting something in using a hit or miss method - or for guidance when a sub simply doesn't show. We managed to get groundworks designed for slab-on-grade home and pass our plumbing inspection for it using the information from this book. Diagrams are helpful as well, which the DIY-er has to do it all themselves!

I bought this book to help me study for the ICC Residential Building Inspector exam. It was helpful to have a straightforward source of the basics. I would recommend this book to all future/current architects, builders, and/or inspectors.

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