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Bulletin Implementation of 2006 B.C. Building Code (BCBC)	No. 06-02 Date: 06/10/23
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Purpose: This bulletin is to inform staff, developers, builders, subcontractors, designers and consultants in all disciplines about the 2006 BCBC.

Background: To follow the 2005 edition of the National Building Code, BCBC has a different format, layout, and approach to regulate the building standards. It is a re-organization to emphasize the fundamental objectives of the Code while still providing specific solutions to the construction method.

The new BCBC consists of three divisions. Division A pertains to objectives and functional statements including safety, health, accessibility, structure, and fire protection. Division B addresses the acceptable solutions similar to the 1998 version of the BCBC. Division C deals with administrative requirements. The new Code is available to purchase in either paper or electronic format at Crown Publications Inc.

The Provincial Government has established December 15, 2006 as the date of the new Code's implementation. Therefore, the City of Kelowna will enforce the new requirements of the 2006 BCBC for all types of Building Permits that will be applied on or after December 15, 2006. If a building permit is applied and/or issued before December 15, 2006, the applicant may choose to construct either completely according to the 1998 BCBC or completely according to the 2006 BCBC, but not a combination of both. This provision may be requested in writing.

Implementation: This policy will be in effect for all building permits applied for new construction, additions, renovations, alterations, placements, and tenant improvements on or after December 15, 2006.

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If any contradiction between this guide and the relevant Municipal Bylaws and/or applicable codes is found, such bylaw and/or codes shall be the legal authority.