

BC ENERGY STEP CODE

for Home Buyers



The BC Energy Step Code is a provincial regulation that consists of a series of steps, representing increasing levels of energy efficiency performance.

The metrics vary by climate zone, and measure a building's airtightness, heating needs, and mechanical system efficiency.

5 BENEFITS OF ENERGY-EFFICIENT HOMES



Lower Energy Bills

Lower energy consumption reduces your operating costs and protects you from future increases in energy prices.

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Better Investment

An energy-efficient home is number three of the top ten desired features for home buyers, and offers better value than typical resale homes.

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Healthier Living

The use of heat or energy recovery ventilators is a typical feature of high performance homes to manage fresh air in your home.

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Better Comfort

A building envelope that is more airtight and better insulated helps you stay warmer in the winter and cooler in the summer.

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Reduced Environmental Impact

Energy-efficient homes use less energy, which means less greenhouse gases and negative impacts on the environment and climate change.

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EXPERT ADVICE



Look for the Label

An EnerGuide* label on your home provides details about your home's energy performance, including how much energy is used for heating, cooling, ventilation, etc.



Third-Party Verified

An EnerGuide* label means your home has been third-party verified by an energy advisor registered with Natural Resources Canada.



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