Title 24 Publication History

The California Health and Safety Code requires the Californian Building Standards Commission to publish the entire California Code of Regulations (CCR) Title 24 (AKA California Building Standards Code) every three years. The last full publication was 1998 which establishes 2001 as the next triennial full publication.

In an effort to make Title 24 more user friendly, the 1995 and 1998 publications were fully integrated with the California Amendments incorporated into the text of the model codes. Previously the California Amendments were published separately and only referenced the model codes.

The 1998 Title 24 publication consisted of 10 volumes produced by the three entities which hold the copyrights for the building, mechanical, plumbing and fire model codes:

- 1. International Conference Of Building Officials (ICBO)
- 2. International Association of Plumbing And Mechanical Officials (IAPMO)
- 3. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)

The each of the ten volumes contain a portion of or multiple parts of Title 24. The 1998 Title 24 consisted of the following 10 volumes:

a)	1998 California Building Standards Administrative Code
	Part 1 – Published by ICBO
b)	1998 California Building Code – Volume 1
	Administrative, Fire and Life-Safety, and Field Inspection Provisions
	Material Testing and Installation Standards
	Part 2 – Published by ICBO
c)	1998 California Building Code – Volume 2
	Structural Engineering Design Provisions
	Part 2 – Published by ICBO
d)	1998 California Building Code – Volume 2B
	Structural Engineering Design Provisions
	Part 2B – Published by ICBO
e)	1998 California Electrical Code
	Part 3 – Published by the NFPA
f)	1998 California Mechanical Code
	Part 4 – Published by ICBO
g)	1998 California Plumbing Code
	Part 5 – Published by IAPMO
h)	1998 California Energy Code
	Part 6 – Published by ICBO
i)	1998 California Fire Code
	Part 9 – Published by ICBO
j)	1998 California:
	Elevator Safety Construction Code – Part 7
	Historical Building Code – Part 8
	Code for Building Conservation – Part 10
	Referenced Standards Code – Part 12
	Published by ICBO

To provide for the publication of Title 24 and any supplements or errata, the Commission has previously entered into publication agreements. The entities have then worked with the Commission staff to integrate the State Amendments into their model codes to create the appropriate California code which is then copyrighted by both the model code author and the Commission.

In consideration for the work to integrate the code and then its printing, the Commission has grants the publishing entities a license to sell the published code on the open market.

In consideration for the exclusive sales rights, the publishers provide the Commission with complementary copies of the Title 24. They also distribute complementary copies to approximately 145 depository and law libraries throughout California.

Publication agreements are also entered into with one of the entities for the portions which do not incorporate a model code. That entity is then licensed to sell that document. (Parts 1 and 7)

The Commission staff coordinates the publication of Title 24 to maintain consistent design, format and quality as well as accuracy.

Title 24 Publication Options For 2001

Previous publication of Title 24 has been "single sourced" to the model code authors.

An outside publishing house has expressed an interest in being considered for the rights to publish the 2001 Title 24. Barclay's who publishes the CCR except for Title 24 for the Office of Administrative Law has expressed an interest in bidding for Title 24.

Single sourcing of contracts is difficult in State operations as it is perceived as preferential and exclusionary by not allowing others to compete for the State's business. However, this issue is more complex in that it involves copyrighted material.

The Commission's legal advisor, Ramon de la Guardia with the Department of Justice, has been requested to review this issue and make his recommendations.

At this point in time, there are three basic options:

- 1.) Prepare and distribute a Request For Proposal (RFP) for publication of the entire 2001 Title 24 so that any one may bid the project. This means that the bidders would have to enter into separate agreements for the license to publish the materials for which he does not hold the copyright and the payment of any royalties for same.
- 2.) Enter into single source publication agreements with the entities holding the copyright(s) for the model code portion(s) of the various Parts of Title 24. Then prepare and distribute a RFP for those Parts which are not copyrighted by an entity outside the State and award the appropriate contract.
- 3.) Enter into single source publication agreements with the entities holding the copyright(s) for the model code portion(s) of the various Parts of Title 24. Then select one or more of those entities to publish those Parts which are not copyrighted by an entity outside the State. This was the arrangement for the 1998 publication.