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Water Efficiency, Public Health Drive IPC Adoption Growth in Arizona

Tucson is the most recent Arizona jurisdiction to switch to the [International Plumbing Code](#) (IPC). The IPC is currently adopted in at least 85 Arizona jurisdictions and in use by the [Arizona Department of Health Services](#) and its [Division of Licensing Services](#), and the [Arizona Office of Manufactured Housing](#). The [Arizona Registrar of Contractors](#) bases plumbing contractor licensing exams on the IPC and the [International Fuel Gas Code](#).

“The ever-increasing number of Arizona communities adopting the *International Plumbing Code* recognizes the code’s water-efficiency provisions as well as its public health advantages,” said ICC Board President Ronald Piester. “In addition to public safety, it also demonstrates the confidence code officials, plumbing inspectors, design professionals, engineers and others in the plumbing industry and business community have expressed to elected officials about the *International Plumbing Code’s* flexibility, cost-saving advantages and up-to-date provisions.”

The IPC is in use at the state or local level in 34 states, the District of Columbia, Guam and Puerto Rico, according to voluntary reporting submitted to the Code Council. The IPC benefits the plumbing industry by providing:

- performance and prescriptive objectives for plumbing facilities
- acceptance of new and innovative products, materials and systems
- inclusion of the International Private Sewage Disposal Code and
- coordination with the ICC family of codes and standards

In 1997, the IPC was the first code published by the International Code Council, which this year marks its 10th anniversary operating as a consolidated membership association.

The [International Code Council](#) is a member-focused association dedicated to helping the building safety community and construction industry provide safe and sustainable construction through the development of codes and standards used in the design, build and compliance process. Most U.S. communities and many global markets [choose the International Codes](#).

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