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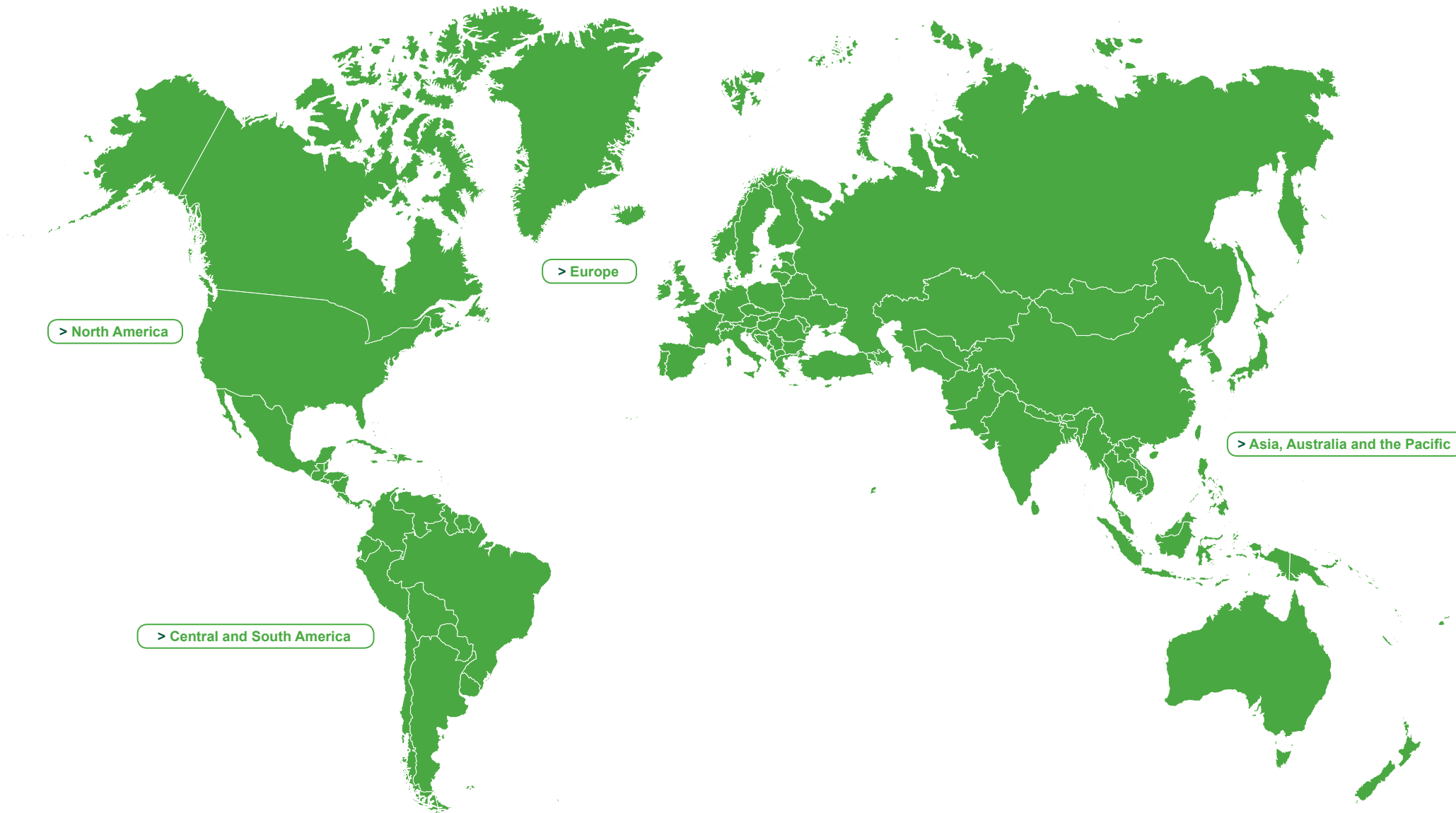
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Africa

Angola
Building safety in Angola is the responsibility of the [Ministério da Indústria](#). Codes are based on Portugese building codes but are not available online.

Benin
Benin does not have a published building code available online and the regulatory authority is unclear.

Botswana
Building safety in Botswana is the responsibility of the [Ministry of Infrastructure and Housing Development](#). No building codes are available online.

Burkina Faso
Burkina Faso does not have a published building code available online and the regulatory authority is unclear.

Burundi
Burundi does not have a published building code available online and the regulatory authority is unclear.

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Cameroon
There is no centralized building regulation in Cameroon; some localities have building safety regulations.

Cape Verde
Cape Verde does not have a published building code available online and the regulatory authority is unclear.

Central African Republic
Central African Republic does not have a published building code available online and the regulatory authority is unclear.

Chad
Building safety in Chad is the responsibility of the Ministry of Infrastructure and Transportation. No building codes are available online.

Comoros
Comoros does not have a published building code available online and the regulatory authority is unclear.

Congo, Democratic Republic
Building safety in Congo is the responsibility of the [Ministry of Infrastructure and Public Works](#). No building codes are available online.

Cote d'Ivoire

Equatorial Guinea
Equatorial Guinea does not have a published building code available online and the regulatory authority is unclear.

Eritrea
Eritrea does not have a published building code available online and the regulatory authority is unclear.

Ethiopia
Building safety in Ethiopia is the responsibility of the [Ministry of Construction](#). No building codes are available online, and many states and localities adopt international building codes, adapting them as needed for their own purposes.

Gabon

Gabon does not have a published building code available online and the regulatory authority is unclear.

Gambia

Building safety in Gambia is the responsibility of the Ministry of Transport, Works and Infrastructure. Construction regulations were published by the Department of Housing and Building Control Services in the 1960s with revisions considered in the late 1980s. No building codes are available online.

Ghaha

The Ghana Building Code, launched in 2018, is based on the IBC.

Guinea

Guinea does not have a published building code available online and the regulatory authority is unclear.

Guinea-Bissau

Guinea-Bissau does not have a published building code available online and the regulatory authority is unclear.

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Kenya

Building safety in Kenya is the responsibility of the [Ministry of Transport, Infrastructure, Housing and Urban Development](#). The Building Code of the Republic of Kenya was published in 2009 and is available [online](#).

Lesotho

Building safety in Lesotho is the responsibility of the [Ministry of Public Works and Transport](#). The Building Control Act of 1995 can be accessed [online](#).

Liberia

Building safety in Liberia is the responsibility of the [Ministry of Public Works](#). No building codes are available online.
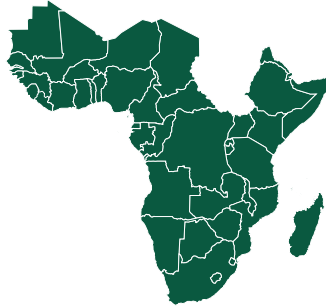
Madagascar

Building safety in Madagascar is the responsibility of the Ministry of Public Works. No building codes are available online.

The World Bank's Global Facility for Disaster Reduction and Recovery (GFDRR) has been investing heavily in [disaster risk management in Madagascar](#).

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Malawi

Building safety in Malawi is the responsibility of the Ministry of Lands, Housing and Urban Development. No building codes are available online, but technical guidelines for residential construction are available from reliefweb and regulations governing the construction industry are available from the National Construction Industry Council.

Mali

Mali does not have a published building code available online and the regulatory authority is unclear.

Mauritania

Mauritania does not have a published building code available online and the regulatory authority is unclear.

Mauritius

Building safety in Mauritius is the responsibility of the Ministry of Public Infrastructure and Land Transport.
The Building Control Act of 2012 can be accessed online from the Mauritus Attorney General's website.

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Mozambique

Building safety in Mozambique is the responsibility of the [Ministério das Obras Públicas e Habitação](#) (Ministry of Public Works and Housing). No building codes are available online.

Namibia

Building safety in Namibia is the responsibility of the [Ministry of Works and Transport](#). The country uses South African codes and regulations.

Niger

Niger does not have a published building code available online and the regulatory authority is unclear.
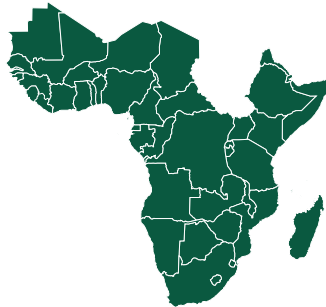
Nigeria

Building safety in Nigeria is the responsibility of the [Ministry of Power,Works and Housing](#). The existing National Building Code is based in part on the 2000 IBC, but is not available online. A new code is reportedly under development.

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Rwanda
Building safety in Rwanda is the responsibility of the [Ministry of Infrastructure](#). The Rwanda Building Code (2015) can be found online from the Rwanda Housing Authority [website](#).

Sao Tome & Principe
Sao Tome & Principe does not have a published building code available online and the regulatory authority is unclear.

Senegal
Building safety in Senegal is the responsibility of the [Ministry of Urban Renewal, Housing and Living Environment](#). No building codes are available online.

Seychelles
Building safety in Seychelles is the responsibility of the [Ministry of Habitat, Infrastructure & Land Transport](#). No building codes are available online.

Sierra Leone
Building safety in Sierra Leone is the responsibility of the [Ministry of Works, Housing and Infrastructure](#). No building codes are available online.

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Somalia
Somalia does not have a published building code available online and the regulatory authority is unclear.

South Africa
Building safety in South Africa is the responsibility of the [Department of Trade and Industry](). South Africa's building regulations can be found on this [private website]().

South Sudan
South Sudan does not have a published building code available online and the regulatory authority is unclear.

Sudan
Sudan does not have a published building code available online and the regulatory authority is unclear.

Swaziland
Building safety in Swaziland is the responsibility of the [Ministry of Housing and Urban Development](). The Building Act of 1968 is the current governing document but it is not available online.

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Tanzania
Tanzania does not have a national building code. Building codes were developed by the Architects Association of Tanzania (AAT) in 2003, but were never fully adopted by the government.

Togo
Building safety in Togo is the responsibility of the Ministry of Public Works, Transport, Urban Planning & Housing. No building codes are available online.

Uganda
Building safety in Uganda is the responsibility of the Directorate of Engineering & Works under the Ministry of Works & Transport. No building codes are available online.

Zambia
Building safety in Zambia is regulated by the National Council for Construction. No building codes are available online.

Zimbabwe
Zimbabwe does not have a national building code; building standards are regulated on a regional basis.

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Algeria

Building safety in Algeria is the responsibility of the Ministere de l`habitat, de l`Urbanisme et de la Ville (Ministry of Housing and Urban Planning) Construction regulations are published on the Ministry's [website](#).

Bahrain

Egypt

Egypt's building codes related to steel structures are based primarily on the I-Codes, while concrete and masonry-related codes and standards are based on Eurocodes and Canadian building codes. The codes themselves are not available online but more information can be found at the Housing and Building National Research Center's [website](#).
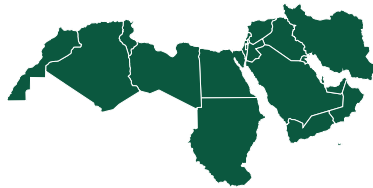
Iran

Iraq

Israel

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North Africa/Middle East

Jordan

The structural provisions of the Jordanian National Building Codes are based on the IBC. The National Building Law was promulgated in 1993 and is available on the Ministry or Public Works and Housing [website](). Implementing regulations for Amman are available online from the [Jordan Engineers Association]().
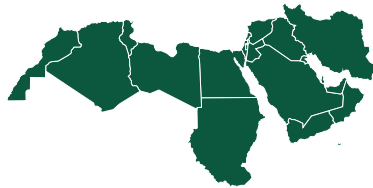
Kuwait

Lebanon

Libya

Morocco

Oman

The building and electrical standards used in Oman are based primarily on British standards. Implementation and enforcement is the responsibility of a collection of ministries including the [Public Authority for Water](), the [Ministry of Regional Municipalities and Water Resources](), and the [Authority for Electricity Regulation]() but codes are not published online.

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Qatar
The 2018 version of the Qatar Building Standard is expected to be released shortly. he most recently published version is from 2014 and can be purchased online from the Ministry of Municipality and Environment.

Saudi Arabia
The Saudi Building Code was revised in 2018 based on the 2015 International Codes and full texts in English are available online.

Syria

Tunisia

United Arab Emirates
Each local municipality within the UAE implements and enforces its own building codes. Abu Dhabi's building codes are based on the 2009 I-Codes and can be found here. Links to the other relevant municipal offices can be found here.

Yemen