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The International Code Council collaborates with tiny house and offsite construction organizations to release the International Tiny House Provisions

This new resource will provide code officials and tiny home builders easy access to the necessary codes and standards that support safe and resilient tiny houses

Washington, D.C. – The International Code Council collaborated with the Tiny Home Industry Association (THIA), Modular Building Institute (MBI) and the Modular Home Builders Association (MHBA) to release the *2021 International Tiny House Provisions* (ITHP). This innovative resource was created to provide a one-stop source for information on applicable codes and standards pertaining to tiny houses and how and when they may apply.

The ITHP includes provisions from the International Residential Code (IRC) with corresponding commentary; HUD manufactured housing standards that apply for movable tiny houses; ICC/MBI Standard 1205 when tiny houses are constructed off-site; and model legislation for jurisdictions to ensure the safe and resilient deployment of tiny houses within their communities.

"As the popularity of tiny houses and the global demand for off-site construction rises, the Code Council recognizes the need for more guidance on the codes and standards needed to make sure tiny home communities are built to be safe, resilient and affordable," says Ryan Colker, Vice President of Innovation for the Code Council. "We are proud of our collaborative efforts with THIA, MBI, and MHBA and will continue to aid the off-site construction industry by providing consistent and informative resources professionals can rely on."

A wide variety of codes and standards can be used when it comes to the design and construction requirements for tiny houses. It is important that code officials, consumers and professionals within the building safety sector understand the differences between the codes and standards and can ensure that those applied will correspond with how the tiny house will be used.

"Working with the Code Council, the tiny house community has developed a suite of codes, standards and guidance that cover all aspects of the design, construction and certification of tiny houses. The ITHP brings all these resources together into a single reference document

providing a valuable tool for builders and jurisdictions alike," said Brad Wiseman, Chairman and CEO of THIA.

You can purchase the 2021 International Tiny House Provisions on shop.iccsafe.org.

To view the Code Council's off-site construction resources and off-site construction standards, visit our webpage.

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About the International Code Council

The <u>International Code Council</u> is the leading global source of model codes and standards and building safety solutions. Code Council codes, standards and solutions are used to ensure safe, affordable and sustainable communities and buildings worldwide.

About the Tiny Home Industry Association

The <u>Tiny Home Industry Association</u> is a nonprofit organization on a mission to advocate for regulation changes, develop industry best practices and construction standards, all to increase widespread use of tiny homes as permissible and permanent housing.

About the Modular Building Institute

The <u>Modular Building Institute</u> is a non-profit trade association serving modular construction. MBI's mission is to expand the use of offsite and modular construction through innovative construction practices, outreach and education to the construction community and customers, and recognition of high-quality modular designs and facilities.

About the Modular Home Builders Association

The <u>Modular Home Builders Association</u> strives to increase awareness of the value of modular construction by consumers, suppliers, builders, and government officials; it advocates public policies that make modular building systems available on a cost-effective basis.