





2019 Building Energy Efficiency Standards, California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Parts 1 and 6 Docket: 19-BSTD-01 Approval: 19-020420

## APPROVAL BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE PUBLIC DOMAIN RESIDENTIAL COMPLIANCE SOFTWARE CBECC-RES 2019.1.2

The Executive Director hereby approves California Building Energy Code Compliance software, CBECC-Res 2019.1.2, as the public domain alternative calculation method for demonstrating performance compliance with the residential provisions of the *2019 Building Energy Efficiency Standards*, California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 6, and associated administrative regulations in Part 1, Chapter 10 (Standards).

The Warren-Alquist State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Act, Public Resources Code sections 25000 et seq., 25402.1, subd. (b), requires the California Energy Commission (CEC) to, among other things, establish a process for certifying calculation methods for demonstrating compliance with its building energy efficiency standards.

CBECC-Res 2019.1.2 contains the following functional changes and corrections:

- Added capability to model a central heat pump water heater in multifamily buildings.
- Added variable capacity heat pump compliance option.
- Added capability to model shading on photovoltaic (PV) systems.
- Added an additional California Flexible Installation (called CFI-2) option for PV systems. CFI-2 provides a more generous range of acceptable PV locations, but because it includes azimuths closer to the north orientation, PV system performance is degraded by 10 percent.
- Improvement to solar thermal water heating.
- Corrections to XML file used by Home Energy Rating System (HERS) providers.
- Various improvements and fixes to source code.
- Various rule enhancements as needed for various bug fixes.

When CBECC-Res 2019.1.0 was approved on May 15, 2019, the CEC directed the Executive Director to take all actions reasonably necessary to ensure that CBECC-Res is maintained and revised to accurately estimate the energy use of residential buildings and demonstrate compliance with the 2019 Building Energy Efficiency Standards.

Pursuant to the 2019 Alternative Calculation Method Approval Manual<sup>1</sup>, this update is not a major update to the CBECC-Res 2019.1.0 compliance manager<sup>2</sup> and it qualifies as a section 1.3.2 change. Further, this update is sufficiently minor such that third party vendors are not required to incorporate this change.

Information for obtaining CBECC-Res 2019.1.2 will be posted on the CEC's 2019 Standards website for approved computer compliance programs:

https://www.energy.ca.gov/title24/2019standards/2019 computer prog list.html

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See 2019 Alternative Calculation Method Approval Manual, December 2018, Pub. No. CEC-400-2018-023-CMF, §§ 1.3.2 and 1.4.1, pp. 8-9, available at: <a href="https://www.energy.ca.gov/2018publications/CEC-400-2018-023/CEC-400-2018-023-CMF.pdf">https://www.energy.ca.gov/2018publications/CEC-400-2018-023/CEC-400-2018-023-CMF.pdf</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Cal. Code Regs., Title 24, Part 1, Ch. 10, and Part 6 (also known as the California Energy Code).