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# The Code Council and NFPA release a new comprehensive document for solar energy code provisions and standards

The updated publication compiles solar energy provisions from the 2018 International Codes, 2017 National Electrical Code and related ICC standards

**Brea, Calif.** – The International Code Council and the Solar Rating and Certification Corporation (ICC-SRCC), in collaboration with the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), have updated the 2018 International Solar Energy Provisions (ISEP). This publication compiles the solar energy provisions of the 2018 International Codes (I-Codes) and the 2017 National Electrical Code (NEC or NFPA 70) and related ICC-SRCC standards into one comprehensive document on the design, installation and administration of solar thermal and photovoltaic systems.

The ISEP is available for adoption by interested countries, states and local jurisdictions as their solar energy code, and it mirrors the format of the I-Codes, a family of fifteen modern, regularly updated building safety codes used throughout the world. The ISEP contains separate provisions for commercial and residential buildings, and two important solar standards have been included in their entirety: ICC 900/SRCC 300–2015, Solar Thermal System Standard, and ICC 901/SRCC 100–2015, Solar Thermal Collector Standard. Additional resources, such as the Checklist and Submittal Requirements for Expedited Permitting of Solar Photovoltaic Systems and the U.S. Department of Energy Solar Site Access, are also included.

"We are excited to present this tool, the best and most comprehensive publication of its kind on solar thermal and photovoltaic systems," said ICC-SRCC Vice President of Technical Services Shawn Martin. "As the leading provider of ratings, certifications, codes and standards for renewable energy, we are proud to partner with NFPA to help the solar industry, designers, contractors and administrators better implement safe and resilient solar energy projects."

"As a leading information and knowledge organization, NFPA is proud to partner with ICC and contribute related content from the 2017 Edition of NFPA 70<sup>®</sup>, National Electrical Code<sup>®</sup> to this comprehensive International Solar Energy Provisions product," said NFPA Director, Publishing & Production, Jacquelyn Doucette.

To order a copy of the 2018 ISEP, <u>click here</u>. To download an image of the publication cover, <u>click here</u>.

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#### About the International Code Council

The <u>International Code Council</u> is a member-focused association. It is dedicated to developing model codes and standards used in the design, build and compliance process to construct safe, sustainable, affordable and resilient structures. Most U.S. communities and many global markets <u>choose the</u> <u>International Codes</u>.

## About ICC-SRCC

The <u>Solar Rating & Certification Corporation</u> (ICC-SRCC) is a program of the <u>ICC Evaluation Service</u> (ICC-ES), a member of the <u>ICC Family of Companies</u>. ICC-SRCC provides authoritative performance ratings, certifications and standards for renewable energy products.

## About NFPA

The <u>National Fire Protection Association</u> (NFPA) is a global nonprofit organization, established in 1896, devoted to eliminating death, injury, property and economic loss due to fire, electrical and related hazards. NFPA delivers information and knowledge through more than 300 consensus codes and standards, research, training, education, outreach and advocacy; and by partnering with others who share an interest in furthering our mission. Our mission is to help save lives and reduce loss with information, knowledge and passion.