

Virginia Certification Requirements for Code Officials



	CERTIFICATION	REQUIRED VBCA CLASSES	REQUIRED EXAM(S)
Official Roles	Building Official	☐ Core ☐ Advanced Official	☐ Certified Building Official (ICC Only - 3 Parts)
	Fire Official	☐ Core ☐ Advanced Official	☐ Inspector 1031 Course and Exam (Through VA Department of Fire Programs)
	Property Maintenance Official	□ Advanced Official□ Core□ Property Maintenance Inspection	☐ Property Maintenance and Housing Inspector (ICC Only)
Residential Inspector	Residential Building Inspector	☐ Core☐ Building Inspection-Residential☐	☐ B1-Residential Building Inspector (ICC) or 1A-Building-1 & 2 Family Dwelling (NCPCCI)
	Residential Electrical Inspector	☐ Core ☐ Electrical Inspection	☐ E1-Residential Electrical Inspector (ICC) or 2A-Electrical-1 & 2 Family Dwelling (NCPCCI)
	Residential Mechanical Inspector	☐ Core ☐ Mechanical Inspection	☐ M1-Residential Mechanical Inspector (ICC) or 4A-Mechanical-1 & 2 Family Dwelling (NCPCCI)
	Residential Plumbing Inspector	☐ Core ☐ Plumbing Inspection	☐ P1-Residential Plumbing Inspector (ICC) or 5A-Plumbing-1 & 2 Family Dwelling (NCPCCI)
	Residential Energy Inspector	☐ Core ☐ Energy – Residential ☐ Building Inspection-Residential	☐ 79-Residential Energy Inspector/Plans Examiner (ICC Only)
Commercial Inspector	Commercial Building Inspector	☐ Core☐ Building Inspection-Commercial	☐ B2-Commercial Building Inspector (ICC) or 1B-Building General (NCPCCI)
	Commercial Electrical Inspector	☐ Core ☐ Electrical Inspection	☐ E2-Commercial Electrical Inspector (ICC) or 2B-Electrical General (NCPCCI)
	Commercial Mechanical Inspector	☐ Core ☐ Mechanical Inspection	☐ M2-Commercial Mechanical Inspector (ICC) or 4B-Mechanical General (NCPCCI)
	Commercial Plumbing Inspector	☐ Core ☐ Plumbing Inspection	☐ P2-Commercial Plumbing Inspector (ICC) or 5B-Plumbing General (NCPCCI)
	Commercial Energy Inspector	☐ Core ☐ Building Inspection-Commercial ☐ Energy-Commercial	☐ 77-Commercial Energy Inspector (ICC Only)
Combination	Combination Residential Inspector	Requires all of the following DHCD Ce Residential Building Inspector Residential Electrical Inspector	Residential Mechanical Inspector
Combi	Combination Commercial Inspector	Requires all of the following DHCD Certifications shown above: Commercial Building Inspector Commercial Electrical Inspector Commercial Plumbing Inspector	



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Fire	Fire Prevention Inspector	☐ Core ☐ VDFP 1031 course (Option 1)	□ VDFP Inspector 1031 Exam (Option 1)
		☐ Core ☐ VDFP Bridge Class (Option 2*)	☐ 66-Fire Inspector I (ICC) ☐ 67-Fire Inspector II (ICC) (Option 2*)
	Fire Protection Inspector	☐ Core☐ Fire Protection Systems Inspection	☐ 3B-Fire Protection General (NCPCCI Only)
Inspector - Other	Permit Technician	☐ Core☐ Permit Technician	☐ 14-Permit Technician (ICC Only)
	Property Maintenance Inspector	☐ Core☐ Property Maintenance Inspection	☐ Property Maintenance & Housing Inspector (ICC)
	Elevator Inspector	☐ Core☐ Elevator Inspection	☐ 6B-Elevator General (NCPCCI) or Qualified Elevator Inspector (QEI/NAESA)
	Amusement Device Inspector	☐ Core ☐ Amusement Device Inspection	☐ Amusement Device Inspector (NAARSO)
Plans Examiner	Residential Building Plans Examiner	☐ Core ☐ Building Inspection-Residential ☐ Plan Review-Residential ☐ Plans Review-Structural	☐ R3-Residential Plans Examiner (ICC Only)
	Residential Energy Plans Examiner	☐ Core ☐ Energy-Residential ☐ Plan Review-Residential	☐ 79-Residential Energy Inspector/Plans Examiner (ICC Only)
	Commercial Building Plans Examiner	□ Core□ Building Inspection-Commercial□ Plans Review-Commercial□ Plans Review-Structural	☐ B3-Building Plans Examiner (ICC) or 1C-Building Plan Review (NCPCCI)
	Commercial Energy Plans Examiner	□ Core□ Energy-Commercial□ Plans Review-Structural	☐ 78-Commercial Energy Plans Examiner (ICC Only)
	Combination Building Plans Examiner	Requires both of the following DHCD C Residential Plans Examiner Commercial Plans Examiner	Certifications shown above:
	Electrical Plans Examiner	□ Core	☐ E3-Electrical Plans Examiner (ICC) or 2C-Electrical Plan Review (NCPCCI)
	Mechanical Plans Examiner	□ Core	☐ M3-Mechanical Plans Examiner (ICC) or 4C-Mechanical Plan Review (NCPCCI)
	Plumbing Plans Examiner	□ Core	☐ P3-Plumbing Plans Examiner (ICC) or 5C-Plumbing Plan Review (NCPCCI)
	Fire Protection Plans Examiner	☐ Core☐ Plans Review-Commercial	☐ F3-Fire Plans Examiner (ICC) or 3C-Fire Protection Plan Review (NCPCCI)
			

^{*}Option 2 only available to those not seeking Fire Marshal powers