

## CHAPTER 9, BUILDINGS – ARTICLE II, BUILDING CODE

Sec. 9-12. - Adoption by reference.

(a) There is hereby adopted by the city council of the City of Jamestown, North Dakota, for the purpose of establishing rules and regulations for the erection, construction, enlargement, alteration, repair, moving, removal, demolition, conversion, equipment, use and occupancy, height, area, location and maintenance of buildings and structures, including permits and penalties, that certain building code known as the International Building Code, International Residential Code and the International Energy Conservation Code, recommended by the International Conference of Building Officials, being particularly the 2009 editions thereof, and the whole thereof save and except such portions as are hereinafter deleted, modified, or amended by this article, of which code one (1) copy is on file in the office of the city auditor, and the same is adopted and incorporated as fully as if set out at length herein, and from the date of which this section shall take effect, the provisions thereof shall be controlling within the city.

(b) There is hereby adopted by the city council of the City of Jamestown, North Dakota, for the purpose of establishing rules and regulations for the erection, construction enlargement, alteration, repair, conversion, occupancy, equipment, use, height, area, and maintenance of wood foundations, that certain manual known as the All-Weather Wood Foundation System Manual, as recommended by the National Forest Products Association, being particularly the June 1976 revision thereof, and the whole thereof save and except such portions as are hereinafter deleted, modified, or amended by this article, of which manual one (1) copy is on file in the office of the city auditor, and the same is adopted and incorporated as fully as if set out at length herein, and from the date of which this section shall take effect, the provisions thereof shall be controlling within the city.

(Ord. No. 230, § 1; Ord. No. 488; Ord. No. 742; Ord. No. 861; Ord. No. 944, § 1, 6-2-86; Ord. No. 1044, 3-2-92; Ord. No. 1119, 5-6-96; Ord. No. 1165, 2-1-99; Ord. No. 1226, 9-3-02; Ord. No. 1270, 1-3-05; Ord. No. 1373, 2-7-11)

**State law reference**— Authority of city to adopt a building code by reference, NDCC 1960, § 40-05-01.1.

Sec. 9-13. - Amendments.

(a) The International Building Code, International Residential Code and the International Energy Conservation Code, all 2009 editions, as adopted by the preceding section, are hereby amended to include the North Dakota State Building Code Amendments to the International Building Code, International Residential Code, International Mechanical Code, International Fuel Gas Code, and the International Energy Conservation Code, 2009 editions.

(b) The All-Weather Wood Foundation System Manual, June 1976 revision, as adopted by the [section 9-12](#), is amended to include the following:

(1) All-weather wood foundations shall be prohibited in buildings over two (2) stories.

(2) Basic design and construction:

a. Required footings for wood basements shall be six (6) inches by twelve (12) inches concrete.

b. Minimum stud sizes shall be two (2) inches by six (6) inches (nominal) on sixteen-inch centers for split foyers and two (2) inches by eight (8) inches (nominal) on sixteen-inch centers or two (2) inches by six (6) inches (nominal) on twelve-inch centers over four (4) feet in depth.

c. Minimum wood species and grade shall be above construction grade.

d. Minimum plywood thickness shall be one-half (½) inch for all outside walls on a split foyer and three-fourths (¾) inch for all outside walls more than four (4) feet in depth.

e. Minimum gravel specifications shall be one-half (½) inch to one and one-half (1½) inches clean sorted gravel for exterior backfill and floor slab base.

f. Zinc coated fasteners shall be prohibited. Fasteners shall be stainless steel or other approved materials.

g. A drainage tile system shall be provided to include a sump pump unless proper engineering information and data is provided to the building inspector to waive this requirement.

(3) All lumber, nails, gravel, and other construction materials shall receive prior approval before beginning construction.

(4) Compliance to design specifications shall be demonstrated prior to closing of inside walls and final backfill.

(Ord. No. 486; Ord. No. 519; Ord. No. 742; Ord. No. 807; Ord. No. 830; Ord. No. 861; Ord. No. 869; Ord. No. 901; Ord. No. 944, § 1, 6-2-86; Ord. No. 1044, 3-2-92; Ord. No. 1119, 5-6-96; Ord. No. 1165, 2-1-99; Ord. No. 1226, 9-3-02; Ord. No. 1270, 1-3-05; Ord. No. 1373, 2-7-11)