

**INITIAL EXPRESS TERMS
FOR PROPOSED BUILDING STANDARDS
OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL
REGARDING THE 2019 CALIFORNIA ELECTRICAL CODE
CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 24, PART 3
([RULEMAKING FILE #])**

The State agency shall draft the regulations in plain, straightforward language, avoiding technical terms as much as possible and using a coherent and easily readable style. The agency shall draft the regulation in plain English. A notation shall follow the express terms of each regulation listing the specific statutes authorizing the adoption and listing specific statutes being implemented, interpreted, or made specific (Government Code Section 11346.2(a)(1)).

LEGEND FOR EXPRESS TERMS (Based on model codes - Parts 2, 2.5, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10)

1. Model Code language appears upright.
 2. Existing California amendments appear in *italics*.
 3. Amended model code or new California amendments appear *underlined and in italics*.
 4. Repealed model code language appears ~~upright and in strikeout~~.
 5. Repealed California amendments appear in ~~*italics and strikeout*~~.
 6. Ellipsis indicates existing text remains unchanged.
 7. Associated section numbers are identified as being contingent on each proposal being approved together as one.
 8. Related section numbers are those sections which fall within the same topic, but can stand alone for approval.
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Item 1. Chapter 3 Wiring Methods and Materials

**ARTICLE 334
Nonmetallic-Sheathed Cable: Types NM,
NMC, and NMS**

Section: 334.10

334.10 Uses Permitted. Type NM, Type NMC, and Type NMS cables shall be permitted to be used in the following, except as prohibited in 334.12:

- (1) One- and two-family dwellings and their attached or detached garages, and their storage buildings.

(2) Multi-family dwellings permitted to be of Types III, IV, and V construction that are 4 stories or fewer.

(3) Other structures permitted to be of Types III, IV, and V construction that are 4 stories or fewer. Cables shall be concealed within walls, floors, or ceilings that provide a thermal barrier of material that has at least a 15-minute finish rating as identified in listings of fire-rated assemblies.

(remaining code section unchanged)

Notation:

Authority: Health and Safety Code Sections 1250, 1569.72, 1569.78, 1568.02, 1502, 1597.44, 1597.45, 1597.46, 1597.54, 1597.65, 13108, 13108.5, 13113, 13113.5, 13114, 13143, 13132, 13132.7, 13132, 13133, 13135, 13143.2, 13143.6, 13146, 13210, 13211, 17921, 18928, 18949.2, 18949.2, 25500-25545, Government Code Section 51189, Education Code 17074.50

Reference(s): Health and Safety Code Sections 13143, 13143.1, 13143.9, 13211, 18949.2, 25500 through 25545, Government Code Sections 51176, 51177, 51178, 51179, Public Resources Code Sections 4201-4204