

Attachment 1
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The BC Energy Step Code was introduced in 2017 as an opt-in better than base code energy efficiency standard for new buildings. The Province has an implementation schedule to incrementally align the base building code with steps in the ESC to reach the highest level by 2032. The most recent milestone in the schedule was reached May 1, 2023, as described in the April 3, 2023 council report (Attachment 3). The highest Step for Part 9 (small residential buildings) is Step 5 and for Part 3 (multi-unit residential over three storeys, and most office and commercial buildings) is Step 4. The current requirement for Part 9 and Part 3 multi-unit residential buildings is Step 3.

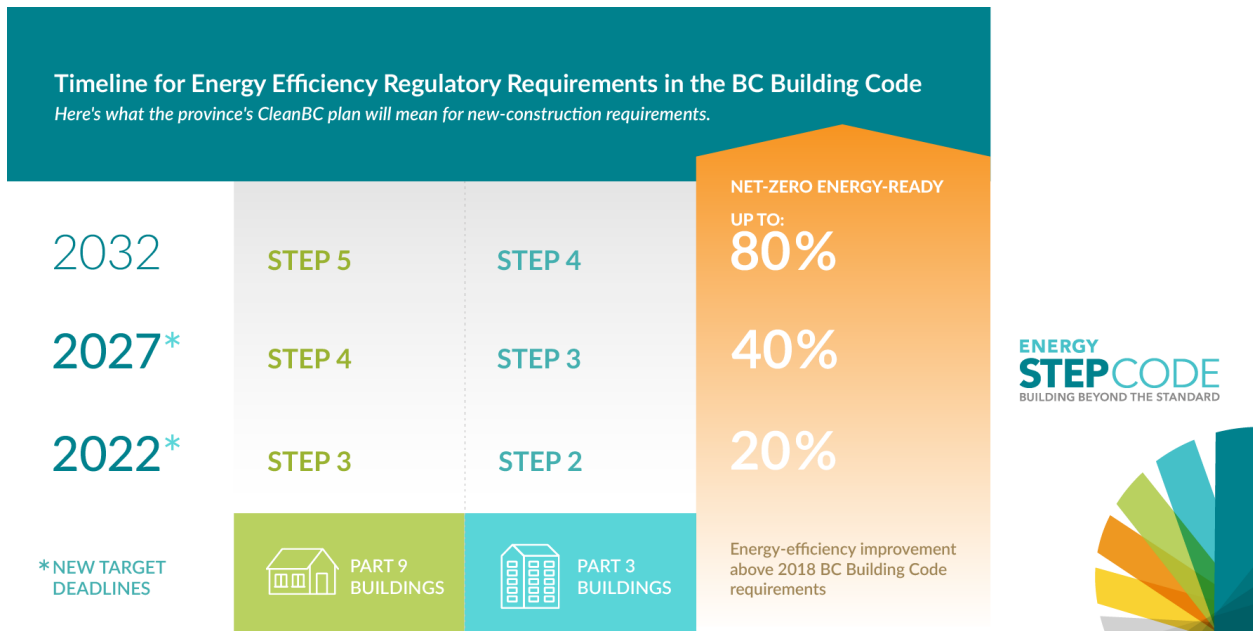


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