

SOUTHERN NEVADA

Code Jurisdiction Accepts a



HERS® Index

OPTION FOR ENERGY CODE



When will this change take effect?

This change will take effect for the counties on January 1, 2026.

The Southern Nevada Building Officials represents building officials from Clark and Nye counties and the cities of Boulder City, Henderson, Las Vegas, Mesquite and North Las Vegas.

The amended code's backstop is the mandatory requirements of the 2024 IECC with the building thermal envelope requirements and solar heat gain coefficients in Table R402.1.2 or R402.1.4 of the 2024 IECC.

The new southern Nevada energy code defines that the Energy Rating Index for the code must:

- ✓ Be based upon the latest adopted version of the ANSI/RESNET/ICC Standard 301
- ✓ Be entered into the RESNET® National Building Registry
- ✓ Be subject to the quality assurance oversight by an EPA or DOE approved Home Certification Organization

What HERS score is needed to achieve compliance?

Each home needs to score at or below the following target HERS Index score, based on climate zone:

HERS Index Target Score

Climate Zone	Jan 2026 - 2027	Jan 2028 - 2030	Jan 2031 - 2033
3	56	52	48
5	58	54	51

What was changed?

The Nevada Governor's Office of Energy recently announced the approval of the Southern Nevada Building Officials adoption of the modified version of the 2024 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC). The modifications include amending the Section 406 Energy Rating Index Option. This action applies to all the code jurisdictions in southern Nevada.

What does the Energy Rating Index Option include?

Energy Modeling

Pre-drywall inspection

Final inspection and testing, including duct and envelope leakage and ventilation testing.

Why Work with HERS Raters on implementation of this modified 2024 IECC in Southern Nevada?



Certified RESNET HERS Raters can offer energy code compliance using the ERI compliance option



Certified RESNET HERS Raters successfully completed stringent training and certification process following industry-recognized national standards that demonstrate knowledge in the applications of building science

Facts About the HERS Industry in Nevada

63%

of all new homes received a HERS Rating in 2024

49

The average HERS Index Score in 2024

78K

homes have been HERS Rated since 2013

68

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