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ICC-ES Acceptance Criteria Now Available in the ICC Online Store

ICC Evaluation Service (ICC-ES) acceptance criteria (ACs) are [now available](#) for purchase. In the spirit of continued transparency, ICC-ES and the International Code Council (ICC) have included all approved ICC-ES ACs in the selection of publications available in the ICC online store. This allows ICC-ES to protect its intellectual property and preserve the integrity of its AC development process, which ultimately results in maintaining the highest quality evaluation reports in the industry. Customers who purchase an AC or compendium of ACs will receive four complimentary updates if the ICC-ES [Evaluation Committee](#), comprised of code officials from jurisdictions across the U.S., revises an AC. Pricing includes a discount for ICC Members.

“We are the only trusted source of acceptance criteria due to our unparalleled development process,” said ICC-ES President [Shahin Moinian](#). “That is just one reason our competitors say ‘acceptance criteria for any given subject should continue to be developed and maintained by a single agency.’ ICC-ES is that agency – the one with the most expertise and experience in the industry.”

ICC-ES develops acceptance criteria for new and innovative products because the [International Codes](#) do not have any specific provisions for such products, due to the lag time that exists between product innovation and new product recognition in the code. In addition, even if a product is mentioned in the code, the code requirements may be so vague that an acceptance criteria is still needed.

Evaluation Committee [meetings](#) take place three times a year. Although an [alternative](#) process exists for certain situations where a hearing is determined to be unnecessary, the Evaluation Committee must adopt any criteria before it becomes effective.

What makes ICC-ES acceptance criteria so widely accepted is the fact that all interested parties have an opportunity to participate in the criteria development process. This participation also brings quality to the acceptance criteria, which leads to even greater acceptance of ICC-ES evaluation reports.

About ICC-ES

A nonprofit, limited liability company, ICC-ES is the United States’ leading evaluation service for innovative building materials, components and systems. ICC-ES [Evaluation Reports](#) (ESRs), [Building Product Listings](#) and [PMG Listings](#) provide evidence that products and systems meet requirements of codes and technical standards. The ICC-ES Environmental Programs issue VAR environmental reports that verify a product meets specific sustainability targets defined by today’s codes, standards, green rating systems and ICC-ES [environmental criteria](#). The Environmental Programs now offer Environmental Product Declarations ([EPDs](#)), to meet global market demand for science-based, transparent, quality-assured information about a product’s environmental performance. ICC-ES is a

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