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# FOREWORD

The Connecticut State Fire Safety Code, the establishment of which was authorized by the 1947 General Assembly under Public Act 47-419 has been revised and published at various intervals since 1947. The code was originally published in progressive installments since first addressing places of public assembly in September 1947 and completed the progression in January 1955 addressing child day care centers. The 1956 revision of the code, considered to be the second edition, was a compilation of all the previous regulations and amendments and published January 1, 1956. This, the 11th edition of the Connecticut State Fire Safety Code as authorized by Section 29-292 of the Connecticut General Statutes, is a continuation of the fire safety process incorporating advancements in technologies and improvements in construction materials.

The purpose of this code, as designated by statute, is to provide reasonable safety from fire, smoke, and panic therefrom in all buildings and areas adjacent thereto except in private dwellings occupied by one or two families, and upon all premises. This code is separated into four parts, with Part I being the Administrative portion; Part II General provisions; Part III being for work permitted on or after December 31, 2005 for new construction, renovations, or change of use, and new buildings; while Part IV is for existing buildings/occupancies existing prior to December 31, 2005. In accordance with the provisions of the statutes it is based on nationally recognized model codes.

This code is the product of much research and thought by authorities in various fields of interest working both individually and in committees to have a document to enhance the safety for all residents of Connecticut.

To the fire marshals, deputies and inspectors, and all those who will be affected by the provisions of this code, I express my sincere trust that a mutual understanding of the purpose of this document will result in a cooperative effort to enhance fire and life safety and reduce the loss of life and property by fire in our State.

October 2018

William Abbott  
State Fire Marshal

# PREFACE

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International Existing Building Code	International Energy Conservation Code	
International Mechanical Code	International Fire Code	
International Plumbing Code	International Residential Code – IRC-Building (Chapters 1-10, Appendices E, F, H, J, K, L, M, O, R, S, T, U)	
International Private Sewage Disposal Code	International Wildland-Urban Interface Code	
International Property Maintenance Code		
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