



# Building Standards and Codes

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## TECHNICAL BULLETIN

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**Source Document:** 19NYCRR 1240—Energy Code of New York State-2016 (ECNYS)

**Topic:** **Applicable Versions of Automated (Software) methods of Energy Code Compliance - RESCheck /COMCheck and notes on Mandatory Compliance.**

This document provides guidance to assist code enforcement officials in an understanding of the allowable versions of the compliance methods commonly known as RESCheck and COMCheck<sup>1</sup> for compliance with the 2016 New York State Energy Code. As of October 3, 2016, the most currently published versions of RESCheck (4.6.3) and COMCheck (4.0.5) in their generic formats are compatible with the 2016 Codes of New York State. There will be no NY Specific versions of RESCheck and COMCheck, since NY *did not* adopt substantial amendments to the IECC 2015, or ASHRAE 90.1-2013 Energy Codes.

For RESCheck, on the CODE dropdown menu, you must choose the **IECC 2015 tab**.  
For COMCheck on the CODE dropdown menu, you must choose either the **IECC 2015**, or **ASHRAE 90.1-2013**. These are the appropriate compliance paths for the 2016 Energy Code of New York State.

### **Important notice regarding compliance;**

There is a misnomer that as long as when you have a RESCheck or COMCheck compliance printout, you have complied with all provisions of the Energy Code. **This is not true.** The Compliance printout is simply proof of complying with *Building Envelope provisions* of the Energy Code, Additional Mandatory Provisions must be considered in addition to the *Building Envelope Compliance* printout. It is **essential** to also provide the Checklists which accompany the RESCheck or COMCheck Envelope compliance page... There are several mandatory building envelope provisions, as well as code provisions pertaining to mechanical, plumbing and electrical systems which must be addressed as a part of compliance with the Energy Code.

Additional information, including technical support documents for RESCheck and COMCheck may be found at;  
<https://www.energycodes.gov>

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<sup>1</sup>RESCheck and COMCheck are recognized, automated methods of Energy Code Compliance provided by the US Department of Energy.