

Notice to all clients:

2012 Energy Efficiency Building Code Requirements

Effective January 1, 2012 the new energy efficiency requirements of the Ontario Building Code come into effect. These new requirements are applicable to all building permit applications submitted after December 31, 2011. The Building Code provides that construction for which an application for a building permit is made on or after January 1, 2012 must meet the following energy efficiency requirements:

- **Houses and other Part 9 residential buildings intended for occupancy on a continuing basis during winter months** must meet the performance level that is equal to a rating of 80 or more when evaluated in accordance with EnerGuide 80 or conform to Supplementary Standard SB-12. For more information on these new requirements please go to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Buildings branch website at:
<http://www.mah.gov.on.ca/Page8446.aspx>.
- **Other buildings** including Part 3 residential and commercial buildings must conform to Supplementary Standard SB-10. For more information on these new requirements please go to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing Building Code website at:
<http://www.mah.gov.on.ca/Page9528.aspx>