

CITY OF THE COLONY, TEXAS
2018 INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE LOCAL AMENDMENTS

Sec. 6-4. International Mechanical Code Adopted.

- (a) *Adoption.* The *International Mechanical Code* with Appendix A, 2018 edition, is hereby adopted and designated as the Mechanical Code for the City of The Colony, Texas. A copy of the 2018 Edition of the *International Mechanical Code* is on file in the office of the City Secretary.
- (b) *Local Amendments.* The following provisions are local amendments to the 2018 *International Mechanical Code*. Each provision is a substitute for the identically numbered provision contained in the 2018 *International Mechanical Code* or is a provision added to the 2018 *International Mechanical Code*.

Section 101 Title; change to read as follows:

These regulations shall be known as the *Mechanical Code* of the city of The Colony, herein referred to as “this code.”

Section 306.3; change to read as follows:

306.3 Appliances in Attics. Attics containing appliances shall be provided . . . *{bulk of paragraph unchanged}* . . . side of the appliance. The clear *access* opening dimensions shall be a minimum of 20 inches by 30 inches (508 mm by 762 mm), and large enough to allow removal of the largest appliance. As a minimum, for *access* to the attic space, provide one of the following:

1. A permanent stair.
2. A pull-down stair with a minimum 300 lb. (136 kg) capacity.
3. An *access* door from an upper floor level.
4. *Access* Panel may be used in lieu of items 1, 2, and 3 with prior approval of the code official due to building conditions.

Exceptions:

1. The passageway and level service space are not required where the appliance is capable of being serviced and removed... *{remainder of section unchanged}*

Section 306; add Section 306.6 to read as follows:

306.6 Water Heaters Above Ground or Floor. When the mezzanine or platform in which a water heater is installed is more than eight (8) feet (2438 mm) above the ground or floor level, it shall be made accessible by a stairway or permanent ladder fastened to the building.