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Public Consultation on the Next Edition of The Ontario Fire Code

On May 29, 2023, the Ministry of the Solicitor General posted a series of proposed changes to the Ontario Fire Code on the [Ontario Regulatory Registry \(ORR\)](#) for a 45-day public consultation period.

The ministry is seeking feedback on the proposed code changes and input on potential costs and impacts related to these proposals. The approach for the 2023 Ontario Fire Code focuses on changes that:

- Improve harmonization with the 2020 National Fire Code;
- Align with recent changes to the Ontario Building Code;
- Strengthen fire safety by addressing known fire safety risks; and
- Include administrative, consequential, and minor technical amendments.

The Government has committed to bringing into force an updated version of the Ontario Fire Code by March 2024, as part of its efforts to reduce red tape and barriers through more coordinated development of construction codes at the federal and provincial/territorial levels.

Fire service stakeholders are encouraged to participate in this important public consultation and help shape the next edition of the Ontario Fire Code.