

Dear CBECC-Res user:

CBECC-Res 2016.3.1 is now available for [download at the project website](#) to show compliance with the 2016 Building Energy Efficiency Standards.

CBECC-Res 2016.3.1 is a minor update to the approved software that incorporates new features and bug fixes. CBECC-Res 2016.3.0 is still valid software to show compliance with the 2016 Standards.

Summary of changes: The latest release includes the following improvements and bug fixes:

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ADDITIONS:

- Implements recently allowed provisions for accessory dwelling units and addition walls:
 - Enables the “wall extensions” prescriptive exception (see details in Section 10.8 of the User Manual)
 - Allows existing wood-framed walls where siding is not being removed to be modeled without a penalty for not having continuous insulation (see details in Section 10.9 of the User Manual)
- Allows for detached additions without any connecting surface

WATER HEATING:

- Eliminates the need for a rated input for most water heaters (will make the process of completing installation certificates simpler)
- Reports appropriate efficiencies for the various types of water heaters (EF vs. UEF, standby loss, etc.)

ENVELOPE:

- Correctly reports cool roofs for cathedral ceilings
- Allows an existing skylight in an altered roof without treating the skylight as altered
- Eliminates a reporting error for R-19 floors with compressed insulation

HVAC:

- Corrects HERS reporting for additions/alterations to match §150.2
- Reflects the appropriate standard design R-value assumption for altered ducts
- Corrects an error affecting credit for less than 12 feet of duct outside conditioned space

Technical support: If you need general help with the software, please check the CBECC-Res FAQs and User Manual, which can be downloaded from the [project website](#). A Quick Start Guide and the User Manual can also be accessed by clicking on the program’s Help menu.

If you need additional technical assistance with the software, please email CBECC-Res Support at cbecc.res@gmail.com (if you send an .ribd file, please mention the CBECC-Res version number).

Best Regards,

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