



**LIST OF COMMON ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS USED
BY THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND SAFETY (LADBS)**

I - COMMONLY USED BY DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND SAFETY

GENERAL

- ABTF - Abandoned Building Task Force
- ADA - American with Disabilities Act
- AHC - Affordable Housing Commission
- A&I - Alterations and Improvements
- APC - Area Planning Commissions
- APC - Appointment Plan Check
- APN - Assessor Parcel Number
- BBSC - Board of Building & Safety Commissioners
- BI - Building Inspector
- BID - Business Improvement District
- BMI - Building Mechanical Inspector
- BMP - Best Management Practices
- BTRC - Business Tax Registration Certificate
- CAP - Cost Allocation Plan
- CCC - Customer Call Center
- CCR - California Code of Regulations
- CCR - Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (Usually used on Real Estate)
- CEB - Code Enforcement Bureau
- C.F. - Council File
- CNA - Contract Nuisance Abatement
- CNAP - Citywide Nuisance Abatement Program
- C of O - Certificate of Occupancy
- CUP - Conditional Use Permit
- DSCM - Development Services Case Management
- EB - Engineering Bureau
- GAB - General Analysis and Budget Section
- IB - Inspection Bureau
- IBC - International Building Code
- IRC - International Residential Code
- CBC - California Building Code
- CRC - California Residential Code
- LABC - Los Angeles Building Code

LARC - Los Angeles Residential Code
LADBS - Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
MAD - Management Assistance Division
NAR - Nuisance Abatement Revocation
NOC - Notice of Compliance
NOPA - Notice of Pending Assessment
NOI - Notice of Intent
NOID - Notice of Intent to Demolish
OTC - Order to Comply
PACE - Pro-Active Code Enforcement
PIEIH - Present, Imminent, Extreme, Immediate Hazard
PPRT - Problem Property Resolution Team
REAP - Rent Escrow Account Program
RMB - Resource Management Bureau
RSO - Rent Stabilization Ordinance
TEMD - Training & Emergency Management Division
UBC - Uniform Building Code
UFC - Uniform Fire Code
UMC - Uniform Mechanical Code (Published by IAPMO)
UPC - Uniform Plumbing Code
VEIP - Vehicle Establishment Inspection Program
WO - Work Order
ZI - Zoning Information

COMPUTER SYSTEMS

AIRS - Automated Inspection Request System
CCAS - Citywide Cost Accounting System
CEIS - Code Enforcement Information System
DAFS - Document Automated File System
IDIS - Internet Document Imaging System
MIS - Management Information System
PCIS - Plan Check and Inspection System
TAPS - Tax and Permit System
ZIMAS - Zone Information Map Access System

II - CITY ORGANIZATIONS, AGENCIES AND DEPARTMENTS



ACEBSA - All City Employees Benefits Service Association
BOE - Bureau of Engineering
BPW - Board of Public Works
CAO-Chief Administrative Officer
CCA-Central City Association
CEC - City Ethics Commission
CERT - Community Emergency Response Team
CERS - City Employees Retirement System
CLA- Chief Legislative Analyst
CRA - Community Redevelopment Agency
CDD - Community Development Department
DCP - Department of City Planning
DGS - Department of General Services
DOC - Department Operations Center
DPW - Department of Public Works
DWP - Department of Water and Power
EERI - Earthquake Engineering Research Institute
EOB - Emergency Operations Board
EOC - Emergency Operations Center
LADBS - Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety
LAHD - Los Angeles Housing Department
HACLA - Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles
LADOT - Los Angeles Department of Transportation
LAFCO - Local Agency Formation Commission
LAFD - Los Angeles Fire Department
LAPD - Los Angeles Police Department
LAWA - Los Angeles World Airport (formerly called LAX)
OCS - Operation Clean Sweep
PLUM - Planning and Land Use Management Committee (City)
TAC - Technical Advisory Committee

GENERAL

BID - Business Improvement District
BMP - Best Management Practices
CAD - Computer Aided Design
CAFR - Comprehensive Annual Financial Report
CBD - Central Business District
CD - Council District
CDBG - Community Development Block Grant
CDO -Community Design Overlay
CEC - California Electrical Code Title 24 Part 3

CEQA - California Environmental Quality Act
C.F. - Council File
CIP - Capital Improvement Project (Program)
CMC - California Mechanical Code
COLA - Cost of Living Adjustment
CPC - California Plumbing Code
EAP - Employee Assistance Program (City of Los Angeles Program)
EOC - Equal Opportunity Commission
FALCON - Focused Attack Linking Community Organizations and Neighborhoods (City Narcotics Abatement Program)
FY - Fiscal Year
FYI- For your Information
GF - General Fund
ICO - Interim Control Ordinance
IEC - International Electrical Code
IOD - Injured on Duty
LAAC - Los Angeles Administrative Code
LABC - Los Angeles Building Code
LAMC - Los Angeles Municipal Code
LARUCP - Los Angeles Regional Uniform Code Program
MBE - Minority Business Enterprise
MICLA - Municipal Improvement Corporation of Los Angeles (City Bonding program)
MND - Mitigated Negative Declaration
MOE - Measure of Effectiveness
MOU - Memorandum of Understanding
NAU - Narcotics Abatement Unit
NEC - National Electrical Code
OHN - Operation Healthy Neighborhood
PIN - Parcel Identification Number
REAP - Rent Escrow Account Program (City)
RFP - Request for Proposal
RFQ - Request for Qualification
RGA - Rule of General Application
RSO - Rent Stabilization Ordinance
SFC - Sewage Facility Charge
SFM - State Fire Marshal
SPAF – Storm water Pollution Abatement Fund
SRO -Single Room Occupancy
WBE - Women Business Enterprise
ZA - Zoning Administrator/Zoning Approval
ZAI - Zoning Administrator’s Interpretation
ZIMAS - Zone Information and Map Access System
ZMAP - Zone Map

COMPUTER SYSTEMS OR PROGRAMS

FMIS - Financial Management Information System
GIS - Geographic Information System
LUPAMS - Land Use Planning and Management System
MMS - Materials Management System
SMS - Supply Management System

III - STATE AND FEDERAL ACRONYMS COMMONLY USED



AB - Assembly Bill
ADA - Americans With Disabilities Act
AFV- Alternative Fuels Vehicle
AQMD- Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD)
CA - Department of Consumer Affairs
CAL-EPA - California Environmental Protection Agency
CALOSHA - California Occupational Safety & Health Administration
CALTRANS- California Department of Transportation
CEQA - California Environmental Quality Act
CFR - Code of Federal Regulations
CSLB - Contractors State License Board
dBA - A weighted decibels corresponding to subjective perception of noise levels by humans
DEIR - Draft Environmental Impact Report (State)
DHS - Department of Health Services
DMV - Department of Motor Vehicle
DOSH - Division of Occupational Safety and Health
DSA/AC - Division of State Architects / Access Compliance
EPA - Environmental Protection Agency
FAA- Federal Aviation Administration
FEIR - Final Environmental Impact Report (State)
FEIS - Final Environmental Impact Statement (Federal)
FEMA - Federal Emergency Management Agency
FHA - Federal Housing Authority
FTB - Franchise Tax Board
HCD - Department of Housing and Community Development
HPM - Hazardous Production Materials
HR - House of Representatives
HUD - Housing and Urban Development
NEHRP - National Earthquake Hazard Reduction Program
OES - Office of Emergency Services
OSHPD - Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development
SB - Senate Bill

SBA - Small Business Administration
SCAG - Southern California Association of Governments
SCAQMD - South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD)
SEIR - Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (State or Federal)
SEIS - Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (Federal)
SWRCB - State Water Resources Control Board

IV - OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

ACI - American Concrete Institute
ASTM - American Society for Testing and Materials
AWPA - American Wood Preservers Association
BIA - Building Industry Association
BOCA - Building Official and Code Administrators
BOMA - Building Owners and Managers Association
CABO - Council of American Building Officials
CALBO - California Building Officials
CBSC - California Building Standards Commission
CEC - California Energy Commission
CEC - California Electrical Code Title 24 Part 3
CISPI - Cast Iron Soil Pipe Institute
CPSC - Consumer Product Safety Commission
CSA - Canadian Standards Association
EWA - Engineered Wood Association
HPVA - Hardwood Plywood and Veneer Association
IAPMO - International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials
ICBO - International Conference of Building Officials
ICC - International Code Council
LAUSD - Los Angeles Unified School District
MTA - Metropolitan Transit Authority
MWD - Metropolitan Water District
NCMA - National Concrete Masonry Association
NAPHCC - National Association of Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Contractors
NFPA - National Fire Protection Association
NSF - National Sanitation Foundation
NSPI - National Spa and Pool Institute
RMA - Rubber Manufacturers Association
RWQCB - Regional Water Quality Control Board
SBCCI - Southern Building Code Congress International
SEAOC - Structural Engineers Association of California
SMACNA - Sheet Metal and Air Conditioning Contractors National Association
SPCB - Structural Pest Control Board
UBC - Uniform Building Code

USGS - United States Geological Survey
WDMA - Window and Door Manufacturers Association

V - INSPECTION CONSTRUCTION TRADES

BUILDING

ACI - American Concrete Institute
CBC - California Building Code
CI - Construction Inspector
CI - Cast Iron
CM - Commercial Manufacturing
CO - Certificate of Occupancy or C of O
G-27 - Notice that the Inspector came by for scheduled inspection
G-27B - Notice that the Inspector came by regarding a complaint
G-49 - Correction notice
GPI - Grading Pre-Inspection
NFPA - National Fire Protection Association
PL - Property Line
RE - Residential Estate
RZ - Residential Zero (side yard)
SFD - Single Family Dwelling
SDC - Seismic Design Category

ELECTRICAL

AC - Alternating Current; Armored Cable
AWG - American Wire Gauge
BAG - Bare Armored Ground
CC - Copper Clad
CEC - California Electrical Code
EMT - Electrical metallic tubing
ENT - Electrical non- metallic tubing
FMC - Flexible Metal Conduit
GEC - Grounding Electrode Conductor
GFCI - Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter
IAEI - International Association of Electrical Inspectors
IEEE - Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
LFC – Liquid-tight Flexible Conduit
MC - Metal Clad Cable
NEC - National Electrical Code
NM - Non-Metallic Sheathed Cable
RMC - Rigid Metal Conduit
RNC - Rigid Non-Metallic Conduit
UF - Underground Feeder (Cable)

MECHANICAL/ PLUMBING

ABS - Acrylonitrile Butadiene Styrene

AF - Acre feet

BTU - British Thermal Units

CNG - Compressed Natural Gas

CMC - California Mechanical Code (Title 24 Part 4)

DWV - Drain Waste Vent

FU - Fixture Unit

HSPF - Heating Seasonal Performance Factor

IMC - International Mechanical Code

IPC - International Plumbing Code

MCAA - Mechanical Contractors Association

NAPHCC - National Association of Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Contractors

PVC - Polyvinyl Chloride

PE - Polyethylene

WC - Water Closet

CFH - Cubic Feet Per Hour

EZ - Energy Zone

SEER - Seasonal Energy Efficiency Ratio

SGOV - Seismic Gas Shut-off Valves