



ELECTRIC-READY REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS

ONE-OR-TWO DWELLING UNITS

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PURPOSE

This table summarizes the electric-ready requirements for new single-family residential buildings with one or two dwelling units.

Note: These requirements must be shown on the cover sheet of all plan submissions.

CODE REFERENCES

Cupertino Muni Code (CMC) [16.58.280](#), and [16.58.400](#)

REQUIREMENTS

System	Detailed Requirements
Energy Storage System (ESS) Ready <i>(CEnC §150.0(s))</i>	Must choose one of the following options: Option A: Install ESS-ready interconnection equipment with: – Minimum 60A backed-up capacity – At least four dedicated branch circuits (including circuits serving the refrigerator, lighting near primary egress, and a sleeping room receptacle) Option B: Install a dedicated 1" raceway from the main service to a subpanel labeled "Subpanel shall include all backed-up load circuits." Additionally: – Main panelboard must have a minimum 225A busbar rating – Reserve space within 3 feet of the panel for a transfer switch/system isolation equipment – Provide a raceway for backup power
Heat Pump Space Heater Ready <i>(CEnC §150.0(t))</i>	– Install a dedicated 240V, 30A branch circuit within 3 feet of the furnace, with a blank cover labeled "240V ready." – Reserve space in the main panel for a double-pole breaker labeled "For Future 240V Use." – Designate an exterior location for a future heat pump compressor, with proper condensate drainage.
Electric Cooktop Ready <i>(CEnC §150.0(u))</i>	– Install a dedicated 240V, 50A branch circuit within 3 feet of the cooktop, with a blank cover labeled "240V ready." – Reserve space in the main panel for a double-pole breaker labeled "For Future 240V Use."
Electric Clothes Dryer Ready <i>(CEnC §150.0(v))</i>	– Install a dedicated 240V, 30A branch circuit within 3 feet of the dryer location, with a blank cover labeled "240V ready." – Reserve space in the main panel for a double-pole breaker labeled "For Future 240V Use."
Heat Pump Water Heater (HPWH) Ready <i>(CEnC §150.0(n))</i>	Applies to new construction and additions using gas or propane water heaters. Provide on plan a designated space (min. 2.5' x 2.5' x 7') for a future HPWH. Option A (\leq 3 feet from WH): – Provide a dedicated 125V, 20A receptacle on a 120/240V, 10 AWG copper branch circuit. – Include a labeled, electrically isolated "spare" conductor. – Reserve space for a single-pole breaker labeled "Future 240V Use." Option B ($>$ 3 feet from WH): – Install a dedicated 240V, 30A branch circuit with a blank cover labeled "240V ready." – Reserve space for a double-pole breaker. – Route cold and hot water piping through the future HPWH location. – Provide an accessible condensate drain no more than 2" above the base of the unit.
EV Charging Readiness <i>(Cupertino Municipal Code §16.58.280 & §16.58.400 / CALGreen §4.106.4.1.1)</i>	Level 2 EV Ready (Must be provided for one-car space garage): – Install a dedicated 240V, 40A branch circuit labeled "Electric Vehicle Outlet" or provide EVSE with minimum 30A capacity. – Meet Level 2 EV Capable requirements: • Conduit to panel with reserved overcurrent protective device space • Minimum 1-inch conduit size • Future installation-ready (trenched or routed through partitions) • Provide load calculations to confirm simultaneous EV charging capacity • Post signage indicating "EV CAPABLE" Level 1 EV Ready (Must be provided if a second-car space is provided): – Install a dedicated 120V, 20A branch circuit labeled "Electric Vehicle Outlet" or provide EVSE with minimum 16A capacity. – Oversize conduit for future upgrade to Level 2 charging.