

SAFE HOUSING...

If you are going to build, modify or remodel your house



In Mexico, at least two of every three houses are informal. That is to say they were built without complying land use regulations or the local building code



Lessons learned from earthquake disasters over the world have shown that there is a direct relation between the building damages and the lack of use of building code regulations



The informal houses may be vulnerable if they are located at flood zones, unstable land or they are unsafe against earthquakes, intense winds or land subsidence effects



The use of the building code allows to have an adequate structural safety level

Do not expose yourself!

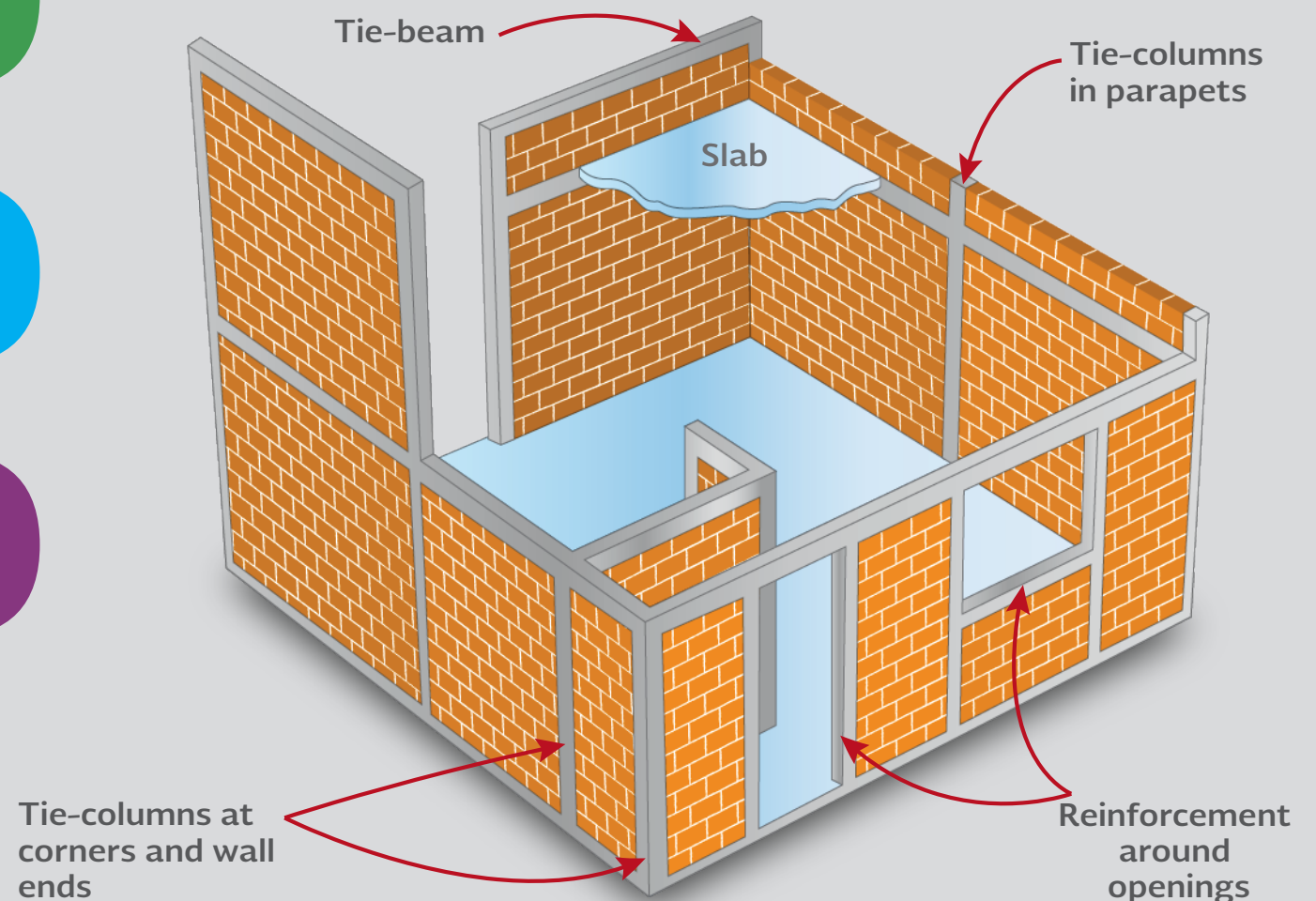
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Department of Urban Development, Housing or Public Works of your municipality, city or federal entity.

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Source: National Center for Disasters Prevention

- Consult an specialist: civil engineer, architect or building technician
- Be sure that your house is built according to the current Building Code
- Supervise daily work and demand that drawings and structural calculations be fulfilled to ensure a strong, functional and durable construction
- If there is no Building Code in your town, ask Public Works, Urban Development or Housing authorities on how to build safely
- Ask to get a housing project model developed by specialists



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To learn more about your house



Your house is a heritage for your family and yourself, therefore, nothing better than having a safe construction against any natural phenomenon: earthquakes, intense winds, large water floods, hailstorms, among others



It is recommended to consult an specialist for advice before starting a building project or to hire a professional to supervise the work and ensure adequate safety against natural phenomena that may affect the region



Using a Building Code has the following benefits: a safe, functional and quality house; besides, allows to share responsibilities amongst those who are involved in the design, construction and maintenance



While building your house, you must rely on calculations made by specialists to determine the number and location of structural walls, tie-columns and beams that support the building, which will be represented in construction drawings or sketches that you should keep in

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We invite you to consult and to use the local Building Code, document that is published in your local government Official Gazette

