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In 1997, the American Institute of Architects ("AIA") started updating the A201 every ten years. The AIA has now introduced a 2017 version of the A201 and other contract documents, including the A100 series.

The participants in drafting the AIA 2017 Documents consider the most significant changes in A201 to be:

- Insurance (Article 11 and Insurance Exhibit)
- Building information modeling (1.8)
- Termination (14.4)
- Notice (1.6)
- Liquidated damages
- Payment
- Cost of the work
- Sustainable construction
- Project communication
- Owner financial disclosures

Additionally, other documents were updated for 2017, specifically between owner and contractor (A101-2017, A102-2017, and A103-2017), between contractor and subcontractor (A401-2017), and between owner and architect (B101-2017 and B103-2017). For those with access to the AIA licensed software, the AIA Instruction Sheet also provides a summary of changes.

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