



HUD Model Home Installation Requirements –
Enforcement Effective Date: **October 20, 2008**

TMHA – Talking Points, as discussed with
Tennessee Commerce & Insurance

Key Point Reminders

1. Used Homes –
 - a. Used homes are not addressed in the HUD Model Home Installation Code. Therefore in Tennessee, installers will continue to follow the installation requirements as set forth in the ANSI Code.
 - b. As such, all used homes may continue to use non-galvanized anchors until further notice from Commerce & Insurance.

2. New Home Manuals –
 - a. Right now, all manufacturers are required to have their new installation manuals complete, printed and ready for use, by the October 20th deadline. Installers should note that it is critical that manuals are always reviewed prior to the installation of each home. Several items will have changes.
 - b. There is still confusion over the 'Implementation Date' here. HUD has stated that homes installed [not manufactured] beginning October 20th, must have the new standards completed. This would require manufacturers to have new manuals printed for older new inventory, or at the very least... supplemental installation sheets.

3. Anchors –
 - a. All new homes must use galvanized anchors **beginning February 2, 2009, as per [Tennessee] Commerce & Insurance advisement [dated October 7th] by means of HUD instruction.** [Note that foundation systems are already galvanized.]
 - b. All used homes may continue to use non-galvanized anchors, until further notice from Commerce & Insurance.

4. Vapor Barrier –
 - a. All new homes must have a vapor barrier.

5. Site Prep –
 - a. Pay particular attention to manufacturer's instructions for site prep. The new standard has strengthened their requirements with regard to crowning the lot, vegetation removal, and general moisture under the home.

6. Piers –
 - a. The maximum allowable pier height has now changed from 80" to 67".
 - b. Perimeter and mating line piers may now go up to 54" before you must begin to double block.