

To: Factory Built Structures Board
Fr: Installation Standard Committee
Re: Final Draft

Please accept this final draft of the revised Manufactured Housing Installation Standard. This is the tenth version, having gone through many changes based upon both committee member and public input.

The committee has met for over a year to go through this draft chapter by chapter. Last month they then sent version number 9 out to all licensed installers, retailers, manufacturers and building inspectors throughout the state.

We received comments from six people, representing about eight minor changes in the document. Six of these were accepted and included and two were clarified.

A list of these is at the bottom of this memo.

We submit this version to you and ask for your review and approval.

Comments received:

- “Why was wood stove section removed?” We explained that this requires a separate building permit anyway and that safety standards would be covered by those inspections.
- “I am pleased with the revised standards – the committee did a good job.”
- “Section 501.02 Frost Line. Manufactured homes on a permanent foundation shall have the perimeter stem wall and footings below the frost line. The local authority having jurisdiction will prescribe the required depth.” The underlined portion was removed based on this comment.
- “In several places referencing concrete – sometimes it says 8” thick and in other places it says “nominal” – these are two different standards and it should be one or the other. Talking about both is confusing.” It was explained that 8” applies to footings or foundations, nominal is for all else and these distinctions are appropriate.
- “204-03. Utilities Inspection. A utilities inspection shall be conducted by State Plumbing and Electrical Inspectors or the local authority having jurisdiction. The inspectors shall ~~should~~ verify that all the following items, as applicable for the specific installation, have been obtained, provided, constructed, or installed in compliance with

this standard and the requirements of the local authority having jurisdiction.” This change was made

- “801. GENERAL 02. Installations. All mechanical installations in connection with the alteration, repair, conversion of, or addition to, a manufactured home shall comply with the ~~appropriate-current~~ currently adopted mechanical code as adopted by local authority having jurisdiction and this standard.” This change was made
- “802. MECHANICALEQUIPMENT. 02. After Market Installations. Mechanical installations not a part of the original manufactured home shall be in conformance with the currently adopted ~~appropriate~~ mechanical code as adopted by the local authority having jurisdiction and installed according to their listings. It is highly recommended that heat pumps, air conditioners, water heaters specifically for HVAC purposes, and furnaces installed in a manufactured home after the initial sale to the first consumer be listed for manufactured or mobile home use.” This change was made.
- “47. Noncompliance. A failure of a manufactured home, alteration, or installation to comply with an currently adopted ~~appropriate~~ building code or standard.” This change was made.