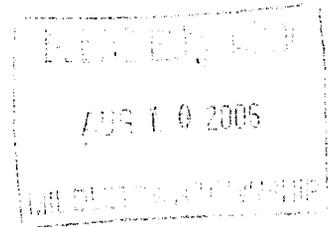




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Commonwealth of Pennsylvania New Manufactured Home Installation Requirements

The Pennsylvania Manufactured Housing Improvement Act (Act 158 of 2004) requires that all new manufactured homes installed in the Commonwealth be subject to certain provisions of the law and regulations, all designed to assure proper installation and completion of every new manufactured home. Listed below are the key elements of the law that every homeowner, code official, retailer and installer should know:

- Every new manufactured home must be installed consistent with the manufacturers' approved designs and instructions for installation of the home.
- Code officials operating under the Pennsylvania Uniform Construction Code, may not reject the manufacturers' approved designs or require review, approval or a seal by engineer or architect licensed in Pennsylvania.
- Persons wishing to install new manufactured housing must successfully complete one of the DCED-approved training courses and apply for certification by DCED as a "*Manufactured Home Installer*." Effective August 23, 2006
- A "Certificate of Compliance" must be completed by the above referenced installer and provided to the purchaser, code official and DCED. The code official may not issue an Occupancy Permit until a completed Certificate of Compliance form is received. Effective August 23, 2006
- No person may represent himself as a "manufactured home installer" or sign a Certificate of Compliance form, until such time as they receive written certification from DCED.
- If the retailer has not agreed to provide installation of the new manufactured home, prior to the execution of the sales documents the retailer must provide the purchaser with a written statement that outlines the Pennsylvania Manufactured Housing Installation program, and that the home must be installed consistent with the manufacturers' approved designs. The statement must also inform the purchaser that the Certificate of Compliance form must be completed by a certified installer. The retailer must then provide the purchaser with a list of certified installers.

This synopsis of the Pennsylvania new manufactured home installation program is not intended to replace or restate the applicable laws or regulations, copies of which will be provided upon request. For more information, feel free to contact this office.

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