



Product Approval Cover Letter

Department of Growth Management

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Florida's product approval system was implemented on October 1, 2003 therefore documentation of compliance is required by Florida Statute 553.842 and FAC 9B-72. Specific information must be included with the plans when submitted for review other information not available at time of submittal must be provided prior to time of inspection.

Products that are covered under the Florida system are as follows;

Windows	Roofing
Skylights	Panel walls
Exterior doors	Structural components
Shutters	New and innovative building envelope products.

These categories of products must be approved using the standardized Florida Product Approval System either by the local building department for local use, or by the Florida Building Commission for statewide use.

Only architects and engineers and specific entities approved by the state may issue evaluation reports. Other products not listed above are subject to local acceptance and validation of those products will be through the Building Official.

TO PREVENT DELAYS IN CONSTRUCTION VERIFY ALL PRODUCTS TO BE USED ON EACH PROJECT HAS VALIDATION OF IT'S TESTING AND ACCEPTANCE.

The manufacturer of the product or a design professional can present the documentation for local approval.

State wide approval: Visit Florida Building Code website: www.floridabuilding.org.

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