

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONS

Public Safety Services



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To: All Manufacturers and Dealers of Industrialized Buildings

From: H. "Butch" Browning, State Fire Marshal <

Re: The Louisiana Industrialized Building Act

Act 364 of the Louisiana 2007 Regular Session

Act 364 of the Louisiana 2007 Regular Session, R.S. 40:1730.51 through 1730.66, requires Industrialized Buildings that are constructed after January 1, 2007, that are intended for sale or use in Louisiana, meet or exceed the requirements of the Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code, R.S. 40:1730.21 through 1730.39, as well as the life safety, accessibility and energy codes, rules and laws enforced by the Office of the State Fire Marshal, R.S. 40:1574 through 1593.

As such, the Office of the State Fire Marshal is required to provide for registration and regulation of those manufacturers and dealers of industrialized buildings that conduct business in this state. The purpose is to ensure that an approved method of code inspection is provided at the place of manufacture, prior to installation.

Plans and specifications for each industrialized building, module, and/or modular component are required to be submitted to the Office of the State Fire Marshal for review for compliance with all codes, rules and laws that are enforced by the Office of the State Fire Marshal. Plan review for compliance with the Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code (LSUCC) will also be performed by this office, unless requested to be performed by a third party provider that is properly registered with the Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council for the particular scope of work.

The services of registered third party inspectors will be required to perform the proper inspections during construction of the industrialized building, module, and/or modular component. The Office of State Fire Marshal, through its employees or its designated performance auditors, shall monitor the performance of third party agencies and manufacturers. All third party plan review letters and/or inspection reports shall be forwarded to this office with plans for oversight.

If an industrialized building was constructed **prior to January 1, 2007**, the following documentation shall be submitted with the application package:

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- 1. Proof of the year of construction (for example, a building permit, review letter or inspection report with accompanying decal, serial or data plate number of the existing industrialized building, as appropriate);
- Requirements (building code and edition) that were established by the new parish or municipality in which the building is proposed to be located in that same year of construction.

If the parish or municipality has not established requirements or if this documentation is not received in the review application package, the State Fire Marshal shall review the submission for compliance with the wind and flood provisions as adopted by the Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council.

Attached you will find a Manufacturer's and Dealer's Application for Registration and a Plan Review Application. Also attached is a fee schedule for payment to be submitted with each Plan Review Application.

For additional information, please visit our website at http://www.dps.state.la.us/sfm or contact this office. For a list of registered third-party providers, visit the Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council's website at http://www.dps.louisiana.gov/lsuccc.