



Protect What Is Priceless.




High Wind

The Insurance Institute for Business & Home Safety's FORTIFIED Home™—High Wind program helps homeowners strengthen their home against the devastating power of severe thunderstorms, straight line wind events and high winds at the edges of a weak tornado. Whether building a new single-family home or updating the resilience of your existing home, using FORTIFIED Home—High Wind standards will make any home more resilient and durable, and:

- Provides peace of mind knowing your home has the appropriate resilience upgrades that address the hazards where you live.
- Ensures critical construction details are met at different building and retrofitting stages through documented verification.
- Gives prospective buyers comfort knowing the home was built to the highest severe weather protections standard with a transferable FORTIFIED Home designation.

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LEVELS OF DESIGNATION

Component/System			
ROOF <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roof deck is sealed • Roof deck attachment meets program standards • Roof covering condition meets standards • Roof covering is high wind rated* 	✓	✓	✓
SURROUNDINGS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removal of all tree branches that overhang the roof 	✓	✓	✓
GABLES OVER 4' TALL (IF APPLICABLE) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • End walls must have structural sheathing • End walls must be braced to withstand high wind pressures 		✓	✓
CHIMNEYS (IF APPLICABLE) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Properly attached to structure 		✓	✓
ATTACHED STRUCTURES - PORCHES/CARPORTS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roof to beam connected to resist uplift • Beam to column connected to resist uplift • Column to structure anchored to resist uplift 		✓	✓
GARAGE DOORS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have adequate design pressure ratings 			✓
CONTINUOUS LOAD PATH <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roof to wall connections • Wall to floor connections • Floor to foundation connections 			✓

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