

**Version Tracking Document for  
ENERGY STAR Qualified Homes, Program Requirements for the State of Florida, Revision 02  
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In the time since the Version 3 and 3.1 ENERGY STAR New Homes guidelines for the state of Florida were released, EPA has modified, clarified and refined various aspects of the program documents. This document is a summary of these edits. EPA has also posted the revised program documents, labeled (Rev. 02) on its Web site at [www.energystar.gov/newhomesguidelines](http://www.energystar.gov/newhomesguidelines)

All revisions are categorized as a Change, Clarification, or Refinement. These are defined as follows:

**Change** – The addition, deletion, or modification of a program requirement. A change will typically result from a partner question or feedback indicating that EPA's original intent is not being met or due to changes in relevant standards (e.g., ENERGY STAR labeled product requirements, NAECA standards, IECC codes). A change is the most significant type of edit for partners because it is likely to change the way that partners comply with the program.

**Clarification** – The clarification of a program requirement, typically resulting from a partner question indicating confusion or ambiguity. Clarifications are not intended to significantly change the scope of the program guidelines, but rather to clarify the original intent of the requirement. A clarification is secondary in importance to a change; it should not significantly alter the way that most partners comply with the program.

**Refinement** – A minor revision, such as an improved choice of words, a grammatical correction, or a correction to a typographical error. A refinement is the least important type of edit; it should have no impact on the way that partners comply with the program.

### **Florida ENERGY STAR Version 3 Guidelines**

1. **Refinement** – **Mechanical Ventilation Requirements**

Footnote 17 of the Version 3 guidelines for Florida states that “To ensure consistent exchange of indoor air, whole-house mechanical ventilation is recommended, but not required.” This footnote has been removed from the Version 3 guidelines for Florida as it contradicts the requirements of Section 1 of the Version 3 HVAC System Quality Installation Contractor Checklist. To clarify, whole-building mechanical ventilation is required under Version 3 for Florida.