

481—321.621(103A) Installation of manufactured homes.

321.621(1) Authority. These rules and regulations are to establish minimum requirements for the installation of manufactured homes as authorized by Iowa Code sections 103A.7(2) “c” and 103A.9.

321.621(2) Application.

a. These rules apply to the initial installation of manufactured homes manufactured on or after February 1, 1973, and to factory-built structures manufactured homes before February 1, 1973, which have never been installed in Iowa, and are approved by the commissioner.

b. These rules apply to all manufactured homes, new or used, that are sold in Iowa or sold to be installed in Iowa after September 1, 1977, for new manufactured homes and January 1, 1978, for used manufactured homes. The seller shall provide an approved tie-down system and the purchaser shall install or have the system installed within 150 days (more information contained in subrule 321.620(4) about the definition of a tie-down system). The 150-day period is designated for time to complete the installation when climatic conditions may restrict the completion of the tie-down system.

c. These rules apply to the installation of manufactured home add-on units, temporary field construction offices and manufactured multifamily homes.

d. These rules shall apply to any person doing any work on any part of the tie-down system (both support or anchorage systems) whether the unit is being sold or not.

321.621(3) Enforcement. The commissioner shall administer and enforce these provisions. Any person, agent, or organization approved and authorized by the commissioner may inspect any installation system and equipment to ensure compliance with these regulations. Evidence of compliance shall be supported by the submission to the commissioner of a certificate of installation. One copy of such certificate will remain in possession of the owner of the installed structure.

321.621(4) Manufactured home installation instructions. Every manufactured home manufacturer that manufactures manufactured homes for installation in Iowa shall provide the commissioner with a reproducible copy of printed instructions of installation for each specific make and model of manufactured home that is to be installed in Iowa. These instructions shall include copies of the materials that have been certified by a registered professional engineer for compliance with the federal manufactured home construction standards and 3280.306(a)(2), 3280.306(b), and 3280.303(c) of the regulatory standards. The manufacturer’s installation instructions shall also be available at the installation site.

321.621(5) Approvals and procedures. Requirements for approval of installers, support and anchorage systems, seals and certificates are described in the remaining sections of this part.

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