

# ***Rural Development Manufactured Homes***

## **Basic Requirements:**

- Units must be new
- Placed on a private lot (not in a park)
- Put on a permanent, approved foundation
- Purchased through approved dealer-contractor

## **Restrictions:**

No furniture, including drapes, beds, chairs, sofas, lamps, tables, televisions, etc.  
Furniture does not include refrigerators, ovens, ranges, washers and dryers, etc.

## **Certification and Inspection Requirements:**

### **Foundation Plan:**

- Must be stamped by a Maine Registered Professional Engineer
- Must be approved/stamped by State Office
- Must transfer all loads below the established frost line
- Home must be permanently anchored to foundation

### **Manufactured Housing Unit:**

Unit must have a properly affixed certification label indicating the construction of the unit is in accordance with Federal Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards (FMHCSS):



Must meet agency thermal requirements:

Comfort Heating and Cooling Certification  
FMHCSS Uo Value Zone 3 for all of Maine

**Required Contractor Statements (see attached form)**

Statement by dealer-contractor that any cash payments/rebates will be deducted from price of unit and not paid to applicant

Statement by dealer-contractor that the proposed cost is the full price of the unit and all development activities

If the applicant is purchasing furniture with other funds, a lien will not be filed against the Agency/Lender's security property

**Required Inspections for Manufactured Homes:**

Stage 1 Inspection: Prior to or during placement of permanent foundation, but prior to backfill

Stage 2 Inspection: Final inspection when construction is complete, unit is in place but prior to occupancy

FMHCSS Sticker

Comfort Heating & Cooling Certificate for Zone 3

**Approved Dealer/Contractor to provide:**

- Lien Release for all materials or labor furnished
- Manufacturer's Certificate of Origin indicating that the unit is free and clear of all encumbrances
- Builder's Warranty
- All manufacturer's warranties to the applicant

**Lender Requirements:**

- Recertification or Satisfactory Completion Certificate
- Water Test, where applicable
- Septic System Approval, where applicable