



TECHNICAL ADVISORY

DIVISION OF MOTORIST SERVICES

DATE: 07/12/2013	Technical Advisory MH13-001
SUBJECT: Wind Zone Requirements for Manufactured (Mobile) Homes and HUD Park Trailers	

Overview:

This technical advisory supersedes and clarifies by combining TA# MH04-01 (October 13, 2004) and TA# MH04-02 (November 22, 2004) regarding “Wind Zone Requirements for Manufactured/Mobile Homes and HUD Park Trailers”.

Details:

In July 1994, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development amended the Federal Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards and subdivided the State of Florida into two (2) “Wind Zones”: Wind Zone II and Wind Zone III. Prior to that date, all of Florida was designated Wind Zone II.

The Florida counties that were included and still are in the Wind Zone III designated area are: Martin, Palm Beach, Broward, Dade, Monroe, Collier, Hendry, Lee, Charlotte, Sarasota, Manatee, Pinellas, Gulf and Franklin. All other counties remain designated as Wind Zone II counties. See the attached exhibit.

For proper placement of manufactured/mobile homes in Wind Zone II, Wind Zone III and any homes being involuntarily relocated, see the chart on the next page.

There are two acceptable methods for evidencing where a manufactured/mobile home is currently sited.

- View a copy of the current registration receipt, which identifies the manufactured/mobile home’s location.
- Homes converted to real property - view the receipt from the county property appraiser’s office which identifies that the manufactured/mobile home has been converted to real property. The receipt must include the manufactured/mobile home’s VIN number and identify the county in which the manufactured/mobile home is currently sited.

Using either of these documents, the county can be identified where a manufactured/mobile home is currently located and the qualified counties where the manufactured/mobile home may be re-sited can also be determined.

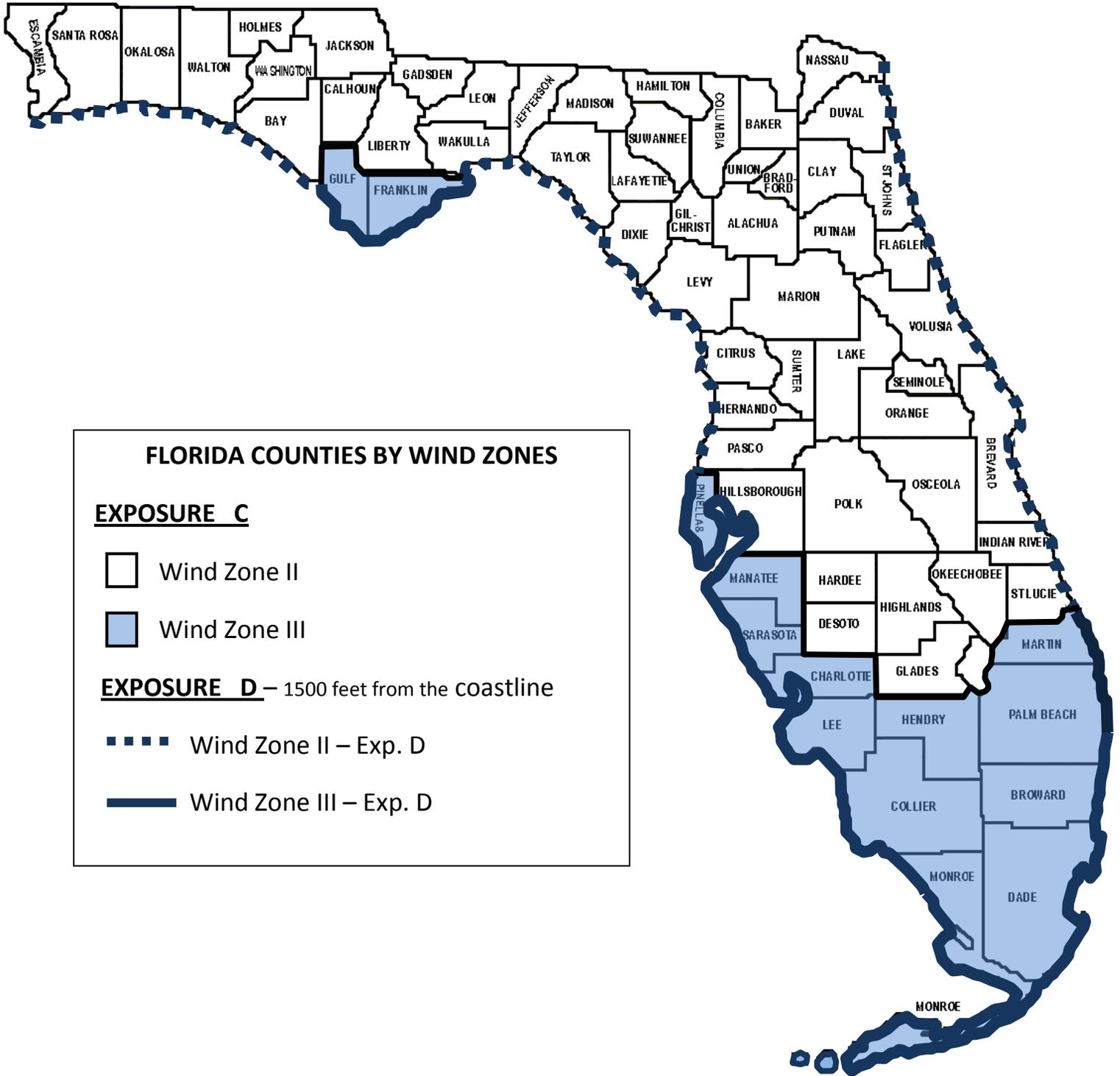
All homes installed within 1,500 feet of the coastline in Wind Zones II and III are still required to be designed for the increased requirements specified for exposure D in ASCE 7-88.

Conclusion:

PLACEMENT OF MANUFACTURED/MOBILE HOMES IN DESIGNATED WIND ZONES

WIND ZONE DESIGNATION OF MOBILE HOME	PLACEMENT IN WINDZONE II	PLACEMENT IN WINDZONE III
<p>WIND ZONE I (Includes pre-HUD homes built to A.N.S.I. Standard A-119.1 with a hurricane resistant or hurricane ready designation)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New or used homes manufactured for Wind Zone I may not be initially sited in Florida. • If not currently sited in Wind Zone II, a Wind Zone I home cannot be sited in this Wind Zone. • Wind Zone I homes may only be re-sited in Wind Zone II, if the home is currently sited in Wind Zone II and the home is being involuntarily relocated as a result of Section 723, Florida Statutes, the park/site has been declared unsuitable by a governmental agency or due to a foreclosure action. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New or used homes manufactured for Wind Zone I may not be initially sited in Florida. • If not currently sited in Wind Zone III, the home cannot be sited in this Wind Zone. • Wind Zone I homes may only be re-sited in Wind Zone III, if the home is currently sited in Wind Zone III and the home is being involuntarily relocated as a result of Section 723, Florida Statutes, the park/site has been declared unsuitable by a governmental agency or due to a foreclosure action.
<p>Wind Zone II</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wind Zone II homes may be sited within Wind Zone II if the data plate or other documents evidence the home is designated a Wind Zone II home. • If the home is currently sited in Wind Zone II it may be re-sited in Wind Zone II. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homes manufactured for Wind Zone II may not be initially sited in Wind Zone III. • If not currently sited in Wind Zone III the home cannot be sited in this Wind Zone. • Wind Zone II homes may be re-sited in Wind Zone III, if the home is currently sited in Wind Zone III and the home is being involuntarily relocated as a result of Section 723, Florida Statutes, the park/site has been declared unsuitable by a governmental agency or due to a foreclosure action.
<p>Wind Zone III</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wind Zone III homes may be initially sited or re-sited in any Wind Zone II county if the data plate or other documents evidence the home is designated a Wind Zone III home. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wind Zone III homes may be initially sited or re-sited in any Wind Zone III county if the data plate or other documents evidence the home is designated a Wind Zone III home.

Exhibit:



FLORIDA COUNTIES BY WIND ZONES

EXPOSURE C

- Wind Zone II
- Wind Zone III

EXPOSURE D – 1500 feet from the coastline

- Wind Zone II – Exp. D
- Wind Zone III – Exp. D