HURRICANE MITIGATION RETROFITS ON RE-FOOFING APPLICATIONS FOR SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES

Effective on re-roofing applications October 1st, 2007 and afterward, new state regulations (2007 HB 7057, FS 553.84 & Rule 9B-3.0475 FAC) require strengthening roof construction on site built single family homes which were built under codes before The Florida Building Code (March 1, 2002)

I. When Roof is replaced

A. Anywhere in Florida, regardless of the value of the house
   Roof deck attachments and fasteners must be strengthened or corrected & a secondary water barrier shall be installed. See the “Hurricane Mitigation Manual” for details at the BOAF website given below.

B. In Wind borne debris regions when the house value is $300,000 or more
   Roof wall connections must be enhanced by spending up to 15% of the cost of the re-roofing job cost, (in areas where basic wind speed is 120 mph or more.)

II. When ANY Building Permit is Applied for on or After July 1st, 2008:

In wind debris regions when house value is $750,000 or more AND $50,000 or more of work is being done:
Opening protections complying with the building code must be installed.

III. For details visit the website of Building Official Association of Florida (BOAF) to review “Hurricane Mitigation Retrofit Manual”: http://www.boaf.net/

IV. For more specifics on the mitigation techniques and requirements see The Florida Building Commission website:
http://www.dca.state.fl.us/fbc/thecode/1_code_modifications.htm