



Department of Growth Management

Florida Product Approvals Guide to using the Florida Building Code website

Click on the link if you are using the online permitting website or go to <http://www.floridabuilding.org>

If you go to the website, click on the Product Approval box on the left; then select Find a Product or Application on the left side under Product Approval Menu.

If you click on the link through the online permitting application; select Find a Product or Application on the left side under Product Approval Menu.

The Search Criteria box will appear.

If you know the Florida Product approval number for a product and wish to print out the installation details, you will enter the number only in "FL #" box (third selection down in the Search Criteria Box), then scroll to the end and select search. NOTE: The current Code version is 2007; you may wish to change the Code version to an earlier year for older product approval numbers (if no information is found in the 2007 version).

Once the Product Approval Information Page comes you will notice the Summary of Products page may have several variations or model numbers of a product. You need to highlight and select the actual number in the top left area of the Search Results area for the product you are inquiring about (it should be blue). In the description section select the installation instructions for the required product (should also be blue). Select and print the details; the inspector will need to see the details, they must be on-site at the time of the inspection.

If you only know the product manufacture or product name, you will need to go through several more steps to get to the product information. Most of the time you only need to fill in the following boxes:

Code Version: Use the current 2007 Code version for initial searches, you may need to change to earlier Code version for older products.

The FL #: Leave this blank.

Application Type: Leave at Select All.

Product Manufacturer: Open selection box and scroll to the company name in the alphabetical list, or type the first few letters of the company to limit the search area.

Category: Select the group of product you need information about: Exterior doors, Panel walls, Roofing, Shutters, Sky Lights, Windows or Structural Components. Note, the screen will refresh once a selection is made.

Subcategory: Refine the search using the selection that will be specific to the main category. The structural components category will include sheds, connectors, plastics, others and new technology products.

Move to the end of the page and select search; the Product Approval Information Page will be displayed if the proper information has been inputted. If the search results show "no records that match the search criteria", select the words Refine Search in the Search Criteria box at the top on the right side and change the information search requested.