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KEEP THIS BOOKLET WITH YOUR MANUFACTURED HOME

Title VI of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 provides you with protection against certain construction and safety hazards in your manufactured home. To help assure your protection, the manufacturer of your manufactured home needs information which these cards, when completed and mailed, will supply. If you bought your home from a dealer, please be sure that your dealer has completed and mailed a registration card for you. If you acquire your home from someone who is not a dealer, you should promptly fill out and send a registration card to the manufacturer. It is important that you keep this booklet and give it to any person who buys the manufactured home from you.

HOME OWNER'S MANUAL

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FOUNDATION SYSTEM

GENERAL

Most manufactured homes constructed by Horton Homes are designed to be supported by a "pier" foundation. A home constructed in this manner utilizes the steel undercarriage as an integral part of the foundation system. The weight of the home is supported by the undercarriage that is placed on a series of "columns" or "piers."

The pier and beam foundation system on which this home is to be placed must be capable of sustaining the total weight of the home. At times, additional temporary loads caused by the elements will vary throughout the country. The department of Housing and Urban Development has established design requirements to resist these additional loads. The load zone map reflecting these requirements are shown on a Certificate of Compliance sheet which is usually posted inside a kitchen cabinet door, inside the furnace compartment, or in some other convenient location. Other specific design data to which this home was constructed will also be shown on the compliance certificate. This home must not be placed in an area of the country where the construction is not adequately based on the design requirements.

In various parts of the country, local, or state governing agencies occasionally impose additional loading requirements which may differ from the design condition of your home. It is the responsibility of the homeowner, dealer, and/or the setup personnel to assure that the actual construction and setup meets all requirements for local, and state codes.

This manual describes and depicts engineered approved methods for the installation of a manufactured home. There are also other methods that can be used in installing a manufactured home. **However, if any method is used other than described in this section, the design and approval must be performed by a registered licensed engineer.**

Any additional parts required for local, state or independent installation/set-up requirements will not be provided by the manufacturer.

MOISTURE CONTROL (Ground Water)

The area beneath and around the home must be graded and sloped to avoid surface water accumulation. It is necessary to divert the flow of rain and irrigation water from under the home. Should water be allowed to stand under the home for long periods of time, the unavoidable result will be deterioration of the home and an adverse affect to the comfort level of the home.

If the underside of the manufactured home is to be closed-in, ventilation must be provided for by installing openings with a net area of at least one square foot for each 150 square feet of under home area. The openings should be approximately equally distributed along the length of the home on the opposite sides with some of the openings to be located close to the corners to provide cross ventilation. A layer of 6 mil polyethylene plastic or equal material must be used to fully cover the ground under the home for a vapor retardant. Failure to install a vapor barrier will void your warranty.