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TO ALL LICENSED MS RESIDENT AGENTS –
MISSISSIPPI WINDSTORM UNDERWRITING
ASSOCIATION (MWUA)

REVISION – MWUA Form J
Certificate for Building Standard Mobile
Homes Effective 9-1-2016

Effective 9-1-2016, the MWUA Form J used to certify that factory built or mobile homes meet at least the minimum installation standards of Mississippi, as set forth in Rules and Regulations for the Uniform Standards Code for Factory Built Homes Law Regulation is revised.

During the 2008 Regular MS Legislative Session, House Bill 1435 was passed. This bill provided the State Fire Marshal's office with the ability to implement an inspection program for factory-built homes installed after July 1, 2009. This inspection program applies to all factory built and mobile homes as defined by the Mississippi Code of 1972 (Ann 75-49-1 revised 2008).

Any manufactured or mobile home newly purchased and site installed since July 1, 2009 should have a color coded decal from the State Fire Marshal's inspectors placed next to the permanently installed HUD identification plate on the exterior of the home. **This applies to newly purchased and installed manufactured or mobile homes; as well as any such homes moved from one site to another since July 1, 2009.**

In recognition of the State Fire Marshal's inspection program, MWUA revised the Form J Certificate for Building Standard to include required information. This information will be required prior to underwriting acceptance of a new application for a newly purchased and placed mobile home. This revision also applies to mobile homes moved from one location to another since July 1, 2009.

A color photo of the Fire Marshal's decal on the unit submitted for coverage is required, or the decal number, license number, and date of inspection can be provided on the form in lieu of the color photo of the decal.

For those manufactured or mobile homes purchased and installed prior to July 1, 2009, the former building certification form requirements continue to apply for MWUA underwriting. This information is listed in the second section of the Revised MWUA Form J.

More information on the State Fire Marshal Manufactured or Mobile home site inspection program is available on the Mississippi Department of Insurance website (Fire Marshal's section) link:

<https://www.mid.ms.gov/sfm/factory-built-homes.aspx>

A copy of the revised MWUA Form J for use effective 9-1-2016 forward is attached to this bulletin. This revision will also be placed on the MS Plans (MWUA) website in the forms section.

For any questions, please contact MWUA underwriting – phone 601-981-2915.

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