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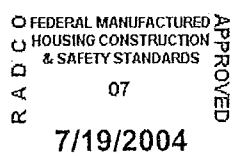
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NOTICE

IMPROPERLY VENTED SKIRTING WILL CAUSE MOISTURE TO ACCUMULATE BENEATH THE HOME. WHEN SKIRTING THE BOTTOM OF THE HOME, VENTILATORS MUST BE INSTALLED. THE MINIMUM VENT AREA SHALL BE 1 SQUARE FOOT FOR EVERY 150 SQUARE FEET OF AREA UNDER THE HOME. EACH VENTILATOR MUST HAVE A MINIMUM OF 60 SQUARE INCHES OF NET FREE AREA. THE VENTILATORS MUST BE EQUALLY SPACED ALONG EACH SIDE OF THE HOME WITH ONE VENTILATOR BEING PLACED WITHIN 4 FEET OF EACH END OF THE HOME.

NOTICE

TO THE HOME OWNER

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THIS COMPANY DOES NOT PARTICIPATE IN RETAIL SALES. OUR UNITS ARE PURCHASED BY INDEPENDENT DEALERS, WHO IN TURN SELL THEM TO RETAIL CUSTOMERS. WE, OF COURSE, HAVE NO CONTROL OVER, AND ARE NOT AWARE OF THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THESE SALES, NOR THE MANNER IN WHICH THESE HOMES AND HOME SITES ARE PREPARED FOR FINAL INSTALLATION OF THE UNITS. IN LIKE MANNER, WE HAVE NO CONTROL OR OBLIGATION IN MATTERS CONCERNING AFTER MARKET ITEMS, SUCH AS INSTALLATION, SKIRTING, APPLIANCES AND/OR FURNISHINGS NOT ON THE FACTORY INVOICE, PORCHES, DECKS, AWNINGS, CONCRETE WORK, UTILITY CONNECTIONS, ETC.

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INTRODUCTION

This home was designed and constructed to meet or exceed the requirements of the National Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards which were in effect on the date of manufacture. This standard sets forth minimal requirements for the design, construction, electrical system, plumbing systems, heating system and thermal protection for manufactured homes designed to be used as single family dwellings.

These instructions are intended to instruct and assist already qualified personnel in the proper installation of your manufactured home. It is not intended to enable someone unfamiliar with manufactured homes to perform the installation. The installer should guarantee his work in writing for a reasonable time and should agree to realign the home in approximately 60 days from the time of initial installation.

A properly maintained installation will, under normal conditions, prevent the home from settling and avoid the possibility of incurring expensive repair bills. If your home is not set and maintained in proper alignment as it was designed, or if it is not set on a completely firm and proper foundation system as described in this instruction, certain portions of your home will undergo undue and unnatural structural strain. Such structural strain could lead to problems later. Typically, these problems appear in the form of the buckling, loosening or separating of wall coverings, exterior siding, floors and their covering, ceilings, metal roof membranes and miscellaneous fixed original fixtures and cabinets of the home. Other problems relating to installation include the leaking of doors, windows, roofs, ceilings, and exterior walls due to the loss of the weather seals in these areas, as well as the loss of proper operation of windows and doors and their locking devices.

Applicable local or state laws may have greater or more stringent requirements than outlined in this manual, which must be complied with to obtain or regain the right to occupy the home. Therefore, we recommend that you consult with regulatory agencies in your area for codes which may require license and/or permits.

It is of the utmost importance that the electrical feeder connection to your home be installed in accordance with the instructions in this manual and in the diagram located at the electrical distribution panel with the home. **IT IS ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL THAT A 4-WIRE FEEDER BE USED. WITHOUT THE 4-WIRE FEEDER THE CIRCUIT BREAKERS WILL NOT FUNCTION AND A SHORT CIRCUIT AT ANY TIME COULD CAUSE ELECTROCUTION.** Please refer to the heading "Electrical System" in Section C of the Home Owners Manual.

Before installation of your manufactured home, consult the Structural Design Basis Certificate and the Heating and Cooling Design Basis Certificate to be certain that the home was constructed to meet the loading and climate requirements of your area. You may install this home in a zone requiring lesser loads or climate requirements. These certificates are part of the Compliance Certificate which is located on a wall in the master bedroom closet.

Because new products and methods are constantly being introduced, additional or revised instructions may be required. The applicable addendum may be found inside the back cover of this instruction.

INSTALLATION NOTES

FOUNDATION SYSTEM

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1-1 Site Preparation

1-1.1 Your home has been designed with an integral floor system which must be supported by individual supports or piers. These supports are as important to the correct and proper installation of your home as is the foundation for a multi-story commercial building. Any shortcoming in the support of your home will manifest itself in the form of settling, which was discussed in the introduction to these instructions.

1-1.2 The home manufacturer is not liable for damages or defects in installation or those caused by improper installation or in delivery by other than manufacturer's drivers; nor by acts of God or by damage or defects caused by use of home as a moving van for weights exceeding the original delivery weight, or those caused by improper foundation, pad, piers, or lack of proper alignment.

1-1.3 All manufactured home installations shall comply with the requirements of these instructions or the requirements of local zoning ordinances and conditional use permits established by local authorities pertaining to any health and/or safety codes, whichever is more stringent.

1-2 The Site

1-2.1 Your home site must be selected so as to provide a reasonably level surface in the area of home placement. The site must be properly graded and sloped to provide storm drainage run-off. In particular, the area beneath the home must be graded to prevent water accumulation. It is recommended that a 2-inch grade be provided from the longitudinal center line of the home to each edge. While it is not required, we suggest the entire area under the home be covered with 6-mil thick visqueen. The visqueen should be overlapped 6 inches at all joints in a manner to assure proper moisture run-off. To protect the visqueen from physical damage it is recommended that the area under the home then be covered with crushed stone or washed gravel (See Figure 1-1 & 1-4). In high moisture areas or areas with extremely high water tables, it may be necessary to install a positive soil drain system to alleviate the moisture condition under the home, and visqueen is recommended.

1-2.2 The portion of the lot or site intended for placement of the home must be undisturbed soil or compacted fill. If the site is on filled soil, it must be compacted to at least 95 percent of its maximum relative density. This is necessary to prevent the soil from settling and damaging the foundation or allowing it to settle.

1-2.3 Climatic conditions must also be taken into consideration when installing the foundation. The bottom of the footing on which the pier is to be placed must be located below the local frost line. If you elect to locate your footings above the local frost line, your foundation will be susceptible to the heaving and resultant settling action caused by frost. The symptoms of heaving are the same as for settling and can cause damage to your home. Consult with the building officials in your area to determine the maximum depth of the local frost line prior to installing your footings.

1-2.4 It is also very important that the house be properly skirted to conserve energy and provide added comfort. The skirting must be installed in a manner which prevents it from collecting the water from rainfall or melting snow and ice, which cascades down the sides of the home. The area beneath the home must be ventilated. The minimum vent area shall be 1 square foot of net free area (area of opening in grillwork) for every 150 square feet of area under the home. (Length of home multiplied by width of home divided by 150 equals net free area of vent required in square feet). Each ventilator must have a minimum of 30 square inches of net free area. Install an equal number of ventilators along each side of the home. One ventilator should be within 4 feet of each end of the home with the remainder equally spaced along the length of the home and located across from one another. This will allow for cross-ventilation and dissipate damaging condensation.

1-2.5 For those units having a wood or wood product siding material, care must be taken to ensure that the skirting material and its support structure do not cover any exposed portion of the siding. When covered, trapped moisture will not properly or expeditiously dry, causing the siding material to deteriorate. Installed skirting should allow for vertical movement caused by frost heave and settling.

1-3 Footings

1-3.1 For maximum safety and secure living your home must be supported on a solid foundation. The proper size and locations for the foundation footings are shown in Figures 1-2 and 1-3, and in charts 1-1 through 1-4a.

1-3.2 Poured-in-place or pre-cast concrete footings having a minimum 8-inch thickness are required. Where footings must exceed a minimum 8-inch depth to extend below the local frost depth, pre-cast footings are not recommended. The concrete must have a minimum 28-day compression strength of not less than 2,000 pounds per square inch. The footings must be flat on the top surface to allow for the proper bearing of the single or double stack concrete block piers. Footings which have rounded top surfaces or are to small in size to allow the entire block pier to bear on them are unacceptable. The maximum allowable slope on the top surface of the footings, in any direction, will be 1/8 of an inch per 12 inches of footing size. In all cases the footings must extend below the maximum local frost line. Consult with your local building officials to determine the maximum depth of the local frost line prior to installing your footings. The stability of your home is dependent on the quality of the footing/pier system and the properly installed ground anchors addressed later in this instruction. You may refer to Figure 1-4 for an example of the wide variance of average frost depths throughout the United States.

CAUTION

IF THE FOOTINGS ARE NOT PLACED BELOW THE MAXIMUM LOCAL FROST LINE AND UPWARD HEAVING OCCURS, THE HOME CAN BECOME MISALIGNED AND ACTUALLY DAMAGED BY UNSEEN FORCES. DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE IMPROPER INSTALLATION AND SUPPORT OF YOUR HOME IS NOT WARRANTED BY THIS COMPANY.

1-3.3 Footings must be sized to allow for the entire bearing surface of the concrete block pier. The minimum size footings for a single stack pier will be as follows: a square footing must be at least 16 inches by 16 inches (256 square inches) and a round footing must have a diameter of at least 17-1/4 inches (234 square inches). The minimum size footing for a double stack pier will be as follows: a square footing must be at least 16 inches by 16 inches (256 square inches) and a round footing must have a diameter of at least 25-3/4 inches (521 square inches). **IN NO CASE SHOULD THE FOOTINGS BE SMALLER IN SIZE THAN THE RECOMMENDED SIZES SHOWN IN CHARTS 1-1 THROUGH 1-4a. FIGURES 1-10 THROUGH 1-15 ILLUSTRATE UNACCEPTABLE FOOTINGS.**

1-3.4 Additional footings will need to be placed at the ends of exterior side wall openings which are larger than 4 feet in width in a manner to support the concentrated loads which occur at the sides of these openings and at the sides of exterior doorways when required by the manufacturer. Construction of these footings will be the same as the footings placed under the main steel I-beams of the unit.

1-4 Piers

1-4.1 All piers used to support your home must have the capacity to carry the vertical load of the home itself, its contents, and temporary roof loads such as snow and ice to the footings below.

1-4.2 The piers shown in Figures 1-5 through 1-9 are made of concrete blocks and are a nominal 8 inches by 8 inches by 16 inches conforming to ASTM C-90 with the open cells vertical, stacked true, and plumbed with a maximum horizontal block offset of 1/2 inch from the top to the bottom of the pier.

1-4.3 Single stacked block piers (Figures 1-5 and 1-6) must be installed with the 16-inch dimension perpendicular to the main I-beam of the frame. The piers must be covered with a nominal 2 inch by 8 inch by 16 inch treated hard wood or concrete cap block conforming to ASTM C-90.

1-4.4 The minimum height of any pier must be 18 inches. The maximum height for a single stack pier (See Figures 1-5 and 1-6) is 36 inches and the maximum height for a double stack pier is 57 inches (See Figure 1-7).

1-4.5 To properly size your footings it will be necessary to know the allowable soil bearing pressure for the soil at your home site. This information may be obtained from your local building official or by having a soil investigation and analysis of the site performed. Chart 1-5 has been included in this manual to provide a general description of soils and give an indication of the wide range of soil bearing pressures which may be encountered which will underscore the importance of the soil analysis.

1-4.6 The soil analysis and site investigation will also provide important information pertaining to the local

water table, the drainage characteristics of the soil, the potential for soil expansion, and frost heave potential.

1-4.7 Once the allowable soil bearing pressure has been determined, it will be necessary to determine the roof load design zone for your home and site location by referring to the Structural Design Basis Certificate, Design Roof Load Zone Map, posted in your home.

1-4.8 The maximum allowable spacing between the piers is 8 feet on centers. You will need to determine whether you want to use only I-beam blocking or a combination of I-beam and perimeter blocking. (The use of perimeter blocking does not eliminate the need for support of side wall openings in excess of 4 feet in width or at exterior doorways where required by the manufacturer.) The choice is up to you.

1-4.9 Select the chart which applies to the width of your home and the roof load rating (20 PSF, 30 PSF, 40 PSF, or 60 PSF) and determine the footing size required for the soil bearing capacity of your site based on pier spacing and location. The greater the soil bearing capacity, the smaller the footing required. Footings may be square or round as you prefer but must have a minimum bearing area as called for in the chart.

1-5 Alternate Footings

1-5.1 If you are placing the home on a pre-existing home site, it should be shown that the existing footings are adequate to properly support the home. Sites which require that the foundation system be lengthened to accommodate the home must be carefully prepared, making certain the new footings are compatible with the pre-existing footings. Unequal or incompatible footings will cause unequal movement in the home should frost heave or settling occur which could overstress the structure of the home causing a failure as described in the introduction to this instruction.

1-5.2 Should you decide to install your home on a concrete pad, it is recommended that the pad be not less than 6 inches in thickness, that the perimeter of the pad be not less than 10 inches in thickness for a width of 12 inches, that the area within 12 inches of either side of each I-beam be 10 inches in thickness (24 inches wide - See Figure 1-16), and that the pad be reinforced. You will need to determine the location of each pier prior to pouring the concrete. Failure to do so may result in the pier being positioned away from the thickened area of the pad when the home is set. The concrete must have a minimum 28-day compression strength of not less than 3,000 pounds per square inch with a slump of 4. It must be noted that such a pad floats on the earth's surface and is susceptible to frost heave and settling. Spring and fall re-alignment may be needed.

1-5.3 The support and anchoring systems described and illustrated in this manual have been designed by a registered professional engineer or architect as required by the Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards. Should you find that these designs are not in keeping with your wishes or special site conditions, and you decide to have these systems designed by a registered professional engineer or architect, you must make certain that the design meets the requirements of the above named standard and that the site work is inspected by the engineer or architect to ensure compliance with the design.

1-5.4 A proprietary foundation and/or anchoring system may be used to support the home for gravity loads (i.e. roof, wall, and floor including safety factors) and anchor the home against wind loads (i.e. horizontal and up-lift including safety factors) providing it complies with all of the following:

1. It has been evaluated and approved by a registered professional engineer or architect (any State) as required by the Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards;
2. Its design meets the requirements of the above named Standard;
3. It is listed by a nationally recognized third-party agency;
4. The width of the home is within the system design parameters;
5. The roof pitch of the home is within the system design parameters;
6. Support points along the home frame members do not exceed 8 feet on centers.
7. The home is not required by design to be fully supported by a foundation wall.

This permission does not exempt the support requirements along the centerline of the home, at exterior side wall openings, exterior doors (as required by the door manufactured), and for special loadings such as stone-front fireplaces. Special

ground anchor conditions along the center line, at porch columns, and as otherwise described in this manual must be adhered to.

1-6 Proper Alignment

1-6.1 A manufactured home is cambered and reverse cambered along the I-beam as part of the engineering for the stress of transportation. Likewise, it is cambered from side to side for transportation stresses and live load as well as dead load stresses. Consequently, siding and flooring and roof lines will have variations due to camber lines which are normal. The home should be blocked and shimmed on the foundation to follow natural camber and reverse camber lines as the home is received from the factory.

1-6.2 There are many accepted methods of aligning homes; however, the method used in this manual will utilize a "liquid level." A liquid level is simply a plastic reservoir holding a colored liquid with approximately 80 feet of clear plastic tube attached. This device operates on the principle that water seeks its own level. See Figure 1-17.

1-7 Support Locations

1-7.1 The support system described and illustrated in this manual allows for each I-beam to be supported on piers resting on properly sized footings, which extend below the local frost line, or on a properly constructed concrete pad. The supports must be located within 18 inches of each end of each floor section and at a maximum 8 foot interval in between the end supports.

1-8 Positioning and Blocking

CAUTION

SHOULD YOU DECIDE TO CRANE SET THE HOME ON TO ITS SUPPORTING SYSTEM, EXTREME CARE MUST BE TAKEN TO ENSURE THAT THE LIFTING DEVICES, STRAPS, OR CABLES DO NOT COME INTO CONTACT WITH THE HOME ABOVE THE LEVEL OF THE BOTTOM SURFACE OF THE STEEL FRAME. THE PERIMETER OF THE HOME WAS NOT DESIGNED TO WITHSTAND THE POINT LOADING OF SUCH CONTACT.

1-8.1 The site must be properly prepared as instructed earlier in this manual prior to positioning your home. All concrete work must be completed, all ground anchoring devices must be installed, and all service facilities for water, gas, electrical, and drain connections must be complete.

1-8.2 If any trenching must be accomplished for long run drain lines it should be performed at this time. Any other items which could be difficult to install after the home is positioned should be placed in their proper locations at this time.

1-9 Reminders Before Jacking

1-9.1 Use only jacks which are in good working condition having a rating of 12 tons or more.

1-9.2 To distribute the concentrated loads created by the jacks, a steel plate or pad should be placed between the jacks and the steel I-beam, C-channel, or tube. See Figure 1-18.

1-9.3 Use a solid support under the jack base to keep the jack from settling or tipping. Excessive or non-uniform jacking during the installation process can cause the home to be racked or twisted. This could result in serious structural damage to the home, thus voiding your warranty.

1-9.4 Always follow the sequence of jacking outlined below to avoid overstressing structural members.

WARNING

HOMES WEIGH MANY TONS. SUP-PORT BLOCKING SHOULD BE USED TO SAFEGUARD WORKERS AND THE STRUCTURE DURING ALL INSTALLA-TION PROCEDURES. NEVER ALLOW ANYONE UNDER THE HOME UNLESS BLOCKING IS IN PLACE WHICH WILL SAFELY SUPPORT THE WEIGHT OF THE HOME.

1-10 Jacking, Alignment, Blocking and Connection Procedure

WARNING

YOU ARE SPECIFICALLY WARNED AGAINST UTILIZING THE COUPLER JACK AS A LOAD

BEARING POINT FOR THE LATERAL MOVEMENT OF THE MANUFACTURED HOME.

COUPLER JACKS ARE NOT ENGINEERED TO WITHSTAND THE BENDING FORCES THAT MAY OCCUR DURING THE LATERAL MOVEMENT OF THE UNIT. SUCH COUPLER JACKS ARE ENGINEERED TO WITHSTAND ONLY THE COMPRESSIVE FORCES OF THE TONGUE OF THE UNIT DURING TRANSPORTATION STAGING.

FURTHERMORE, ANY 3 POINT SYSTEM USED TO SUPPORT AND CONVEY THE UNIT LATERALLY IS LESS STABILE THAN A 4, 6, OR 8 POINT SYSTEM AND THEREFORE IS INHERENTLY DANGEROUS.

1-10.1 If a full concrete pad has not been installed at the site, concrete footings should have been installed as described earlier in this manual corresponding to the spacings called for in the tables. **Reminder:** all exterior side wall openings greater than 4 feet wide must be supported with piers. These supports are in addition to any perimeter blocking you may have elected to use. Additionally, the exterior door manufacturer may require that the side of the door frame be blocked.

1-10.2 Raise the hitch of the unit approximately 2 inches higher than its final position with a heavy-duty hydraulic jack. Adequate blocking should then be placed under the hitch assembly to prevent its falling to the ground if the jack assembly should fail.

1-10.3 Place a 12-ton jack under each main frame member just ahead of the front spring handers and to the rear of the rear spring hangers (See Figure 1-19). Including the jack at the hitch, there will be a minimum of 5 points under the frame that will be supported during the jacking operation (5 point set) providing for a more uniform weight distribution. Using fewer support points during jacking operations increases the danger factor for those performing the operation and for the home itself. These jacks must be operated simultaneously to raise the home until it is approximately 2 inches higher than its final position. Make certain to use jacking plates to avoid damaging the frame.

1-10.4 The concrete pad or poured concrete footings should now be located under the I-beams and/or perimeter edge of the home adhering to specified spacing. Concrete block piers are then placed into position at the specified points on the pad or on the concrete footings. These piers must be constructed as described earlier in this manual and must rest fully on the pad or footings.

1-10.5 If the wheels are to be removed prior to the home being fully supported on its piers, safety supports should be placed tightly under the frame members to prevent the home from dropping should the jack fail. The wheels can then be removed and placed where the home owner specifies for storage.

1-10.6 The liquid level previously referred to is now positioned at a height whereby the level of the liquid inside the reservoir is exactly at the height the bottom of the steel frame will be in its final resting position. See Figure 20.

1-10.7 By placing a shut-off valve at the end of the plastic tubing, the liquid will be prevented from escaping when the end of the hose is lowered below the level of the fluid in the reservoir.

1-10.8 By pulling the end of the plastic tube to the first pier, the end of the tube is raised above the bottom of the steel frame and the valve is opened. The top of the pier is then shimmed to match the level of the liquid in the tube. Remember that tapered hardwood shims must be added from each side of the frame member so that the frame is not resting on an incline. (See Figures 1-21 through 1-25). When this operation is complete, each succeeding pier is installed in the same manner. This operation will be much simpler if the top surface of all the concrete footings have the same elevation.

1-10.9 The safety support placed in the A-frame area should now be removed along with any supports which were placed in the axle area when the wheels may have been removed.

1-10.10 The jacks are then lowered together allowing the frame to rest on the tapered hardwood shims on top of the concrete block piers.

1-10.11 "Remove all the jacks from under the frame."

1-10.12 The alignment of the home can be fine tuned by driving the tapered hardwood shims between the

frame and the piers to even out any low areas caused by the compressive weight of the home on the piers.

1-10.13 After completion of the alignment and installation procedure, all doors and windows should be checked to see that they operate freely without binding. If binding does occur, the alignment will need to be adjusted. A properly aligned home may not be exactly level. Refer to "Proper Alignment" earlier in this section.

1-10.14 At this point the removable hitch and axles can be detached from the integral floor system if desired (removable hitch is optional) and placed where the home owner specifies for storage (see Figures 1-26 and 1-27).

1-10.15 The completed set-up must be checked in 8 weeks with corrective action being taken to compensate for any pier or footing settlement, as well as any shim compression due to unit weight. All doors and windows should be checked to see that they still operate freely without binding and that the weather seals are still intact. The installation should further be checked on an annual basis as called for in the Home Owners Manual as owner maintenance.

1-11 Ground Anchoring

1-11.1 Once the home is in its final resting position and has been completely supported and aligned, the ground anchoring system can be installed. The purpose of the ground anchoring system is to provide resistance to counter the lateral and uplift forces of the wind which can move the unanchored home off its piers causing structural damage.

CAUTION

IF THE ANCHORING SYSTEM IS NOT PROPERLY INSTALLED, THE INTEGRAL FLOOR SYSTEM OF THE HOME COULD ACTUALLY BE DAMAGED OR THE ALIGNMENT OF THE HOME CHANGED. FOLLOW THE EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURERS RECOMMENDATIONS.

1-11.2 Ground anchor straps or cables should be alternately tensioned on opposite sides of the home to avoid the problems mentioned above.

1-12 Pre-Anchoring Inspection

1-12.1 At this time all furniture, carpet, fixtures, or other loose items should be installed. All shipping blocks, brackets, and/or clips installed on appliances for shipment should be removed. All clamps or brackets installed on windows and doors for shipping purposes should be removed and the operation of these items checked.

1-12.2 At the time of manufacture, the doors and windows were fully operational and were sealed against the weather as needed. Should any windows or doors bind or not close properly, an adjustment to the alignment of the home is needed. Door and window weather seals should be inspected to ensure that they are intact.

1-12.3 The utilities should now be connected and tested; however, this will be covered in another section of this instruction.

1-13 Consequences of Incorrect Blocking and Alignment

1-13.1 Incorrect blocking and alignment of your home could produce a sagging home and these related conditions:

1-13.1.1 Buckling and/or loosening of walls, partitions, siding, ceilings, doors, floors, linoleum, carpeting, insulation, wiring, sinks, tubs, toilets, weather-stripping and miscellaneous fixed original fixtures of the home;

1-13.1.2 Leaking windows, doors, roofs, ceilings, walls, floors, seams, and junctions generally caused from rain, snow, or moisture;

1-13.1.3 Improper closing, binding, and sagging of windows, cabinets, and interior and exterior doors; and

1-13.1.4 Malfunctioning of plumbing, water outlets, lighting fixtures, and electric heating and air conditioning systems.

1-14 Porches and Decks

1-14.1 Certain porch and deck framework must be supported along its outer perimeter and at the vertical columns along the porch. These supports are to be of the same construction as the piers described earlier in

this instruction and must be located as shown on the supplement inserted into the back of this manual.

1-14.2 Steps, handrails, and guardrails are to be installed in keeping with the requirements of the local jurisdiction where the offset between the porch or deck surface and the finished grade of the home site exceeds the maximum allowed without protection.

1-15 Masonry Faced Fireplaces

1-15.1 Fireplace installations having an application of floor to ceiling masonry on the front wall of the enclosure can add up to 180 pounds per linear foot of additional concentrated load to the floor of your home. This additional loading will require additional foundation support. This support must be in the form of properly sized footings and piers as described in this manual or as footings and column posts as described on the individual home foundation plans and detail drawing.

1-15.2 Due to the random nature of fireplace placement and masonry application the location of such installations cannot be predetermined on each home produced. Additional supports should be added to each I-beam of the home frame which intersects the front enclosure wall and where the wall meets the exterior wall of the home.

1-16 Curtain Walls

1-16.1 The support system for the home consists of a series of concrete footings and piers, or similar alternate construction, as described in the manual. Where the area beneath the home is to be enclosed with a curtain wall of wood, poured concrete, concrete block, brick, or other material construction, which would be capable of supporting some part of the weight of the home, the wall must be supported by a properly sized footing which has been located below the local frost line. Should the footing be placed above the frost line, your home could become misaligned and damaged by unseen forces.

CAUTION

IN THOSE CASES WHERE THE HOME IS INSTALLED ON A BASEMENT FOUNDATION, THE AIR INTAKES FOR ANY FUEL BURNIONG APPLIANCES WHICH DRAW COMBUSTION AIR FROM UNDER THE HOME MUST BE EXTENDED TO THE EXTERIOR SIDE OF THE FOUNDATION WALL.

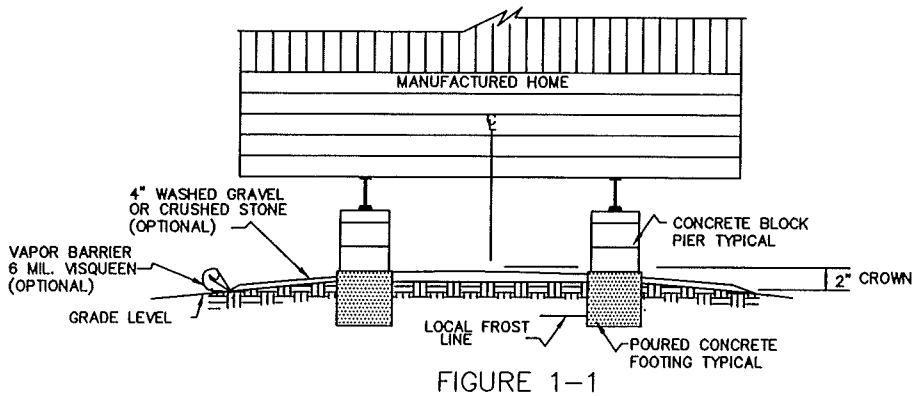
1-17 Bottomboard Closure

1-17.1 The underside of your manufactured home is covered with a closure material commonly called bottomboard. This material is usually a reinforced paper product, a laminated plastic product or a woven plastic product. This material encloses and protects the in-floor plumbing, electrical, mechanical and thermal systems of your home as well as guarding against the entrance of rodents.

1-17.2 Should the bottomboard have become damaged in transit to your home site or by tearing or cutting during the installation of your home, or at any other time, it can be repaired by using a patch of like or equal material held in place by high tack spray adhesive.

1-17.3 To repair a hole or tear in the bottomboard, cut a piece of like or equal material that is 4 inches larger than the widest point of the hole or tear. Spray both the patch and the area around the hole or tear with a high tack spray adhesive. Let the spray "air" for a short time as directed by the spray manufacturer and then apply the patch over the affected area so that there is a 2 inch overlap at any edge. Smooth the path firmly in place to insure full contact.

1-17.4 To repair or tighten the fit around a pipe penetration in the bottomboard, cut a piece of like or equal material approximately 6 inches wider than the pipe in all directions. Cut a hole in the center of the patch that exactly matches the size of the pipe. If the patch will not slip over the pipe, cut a slit in the patch from the center to the outer edge so that it will slip around the pipe. Spray both the patch and the area around the pipe with a high tack spray adhesive. Let the spray "air" for a short time as directed by the spray manufacturer and then apply the patch over the affected area. Smooth the patch firmly in place to insure full contact.



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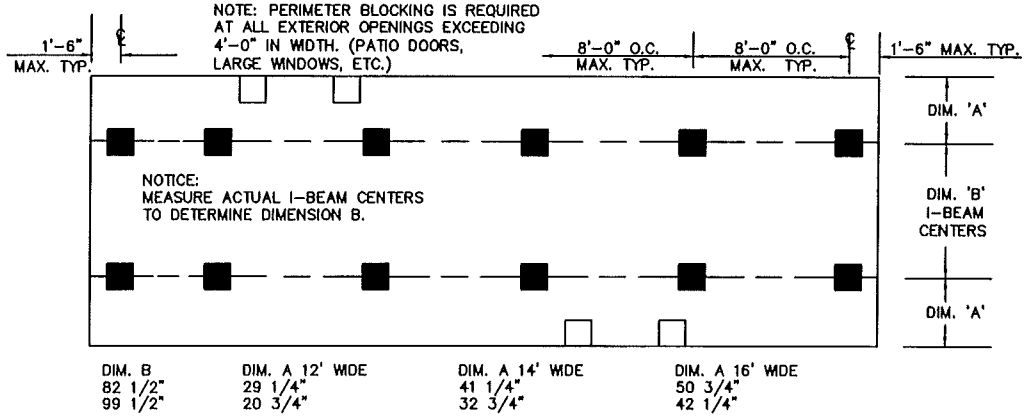

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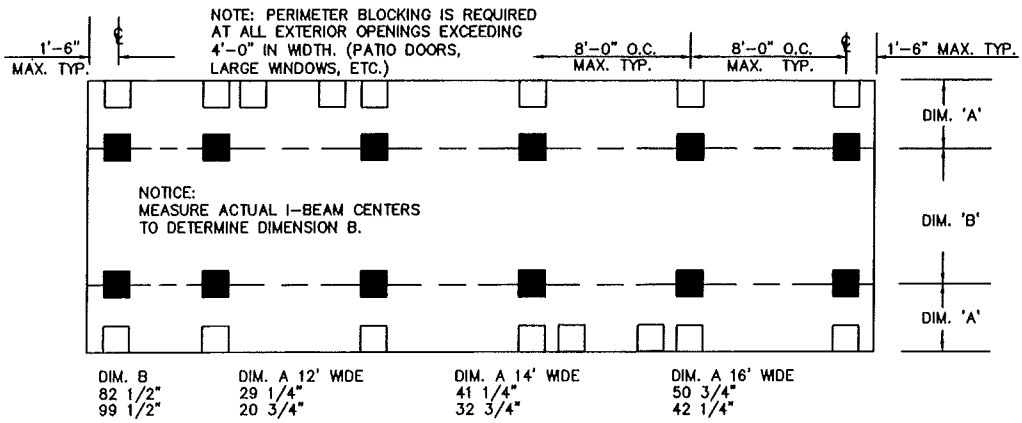
FRAME BLOCKING
FIGURE 1–2



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PERIMETER AND FRAME BLOCKING
FIGURE 1–3

CHART 1–1

PIER & PAD SCHEDULE — SINGLEWIDE 20 POUND LIVE LOAD

SOIL CAP.	LEGEND	PIER LOC.	12 FEET WIDE				14 FEET WIDE				16 FEET WIDE			
			8'–0" O.C.		6'–0" O.C.		8'–0" O.C.		6'–0" O.C.		8'–0" O.C.		6'–0" O.C.	
			REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)
1000	■	FRAME	4400	729	3300	546	5040	835	3780	626	5627	932	4220	699
1500	■	FRAME	4400	465	3300	348	5040	532	3780	399	5627	594	4220	446
2000	■	FRAME	4400	341	3300	255	5040	390	3780	293	5627	436	4220	327
2500	■	FRAME	4400	269	3300	201	5040	308	3780	231	5627	344	4220	258
3000	■	FRAME	4400	222	3300	166	5040	254	3780	191	5627	284	4220	213

CHART 1–1a

PIER & PAD SCHEDULE — SINGLEWIDE 20 POUND LIVE LOAD

SOIL CAP.	LEGEND	PIER LOC.	12 FEET WIDE				14 FEET WIDE				16 FEET WIDE			
			8'–0" O.C.		6'–0" O.C.		8'–0" O.C.		6'–0" O.C.		8'–0" O.C.		6'–0" O.C.	
			REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)
1000	■	FRAME	1863	308	1397	231	2063	342	1547	256	2246	372	1684	279
	□	PERIMETER	2138	354	1603	265	2578	427	1933	320	2981	494	2236	370
1500	■	FRAME	1863	197	1397	148	2063	218	1547	163	2246	237	1684	178
	□	PERIMETER	2138	226	1603	169	2578	272	1933	204	2981	315	2236	236
2000	■	FRAME	1863	144	1397	108	2063	160	1547	120	2246	174	1684	130
	□	PERIMETER	2138	165	1603	124	2578	199	1933	150	2981	231	2236	173
2500	■	FRAME	1863	114	1397	85	2063	126	1547	94	2246	137	1684	103
	□	PERIMETER	2138	131	1603	98	2578	157	1933	118	2981	182	2236	136
3000	■	FRAME	1863	94	1397	70	2063	104	1547	78	2246	113	1684	85
	□	PERIMETER	2138	108	1603	81	2578	130	1933	97	2981	150	2236	113

CHART 1–2

PIER & PAD SCHEDULE — SINGLEWIDE 30 POUND LIVE LOAD

SOIL CAP.	LEGEND	PIER LOC.	12 FEET WIDE				14 FEET WIDE				16 FEET WIDE			
			8'–0" O.C.		6'–0" O.C.		8'–0" O.C.		6'–0" O.C.		8'–0" O.C.		6'–0" O.C.	
			REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)
1000	■	FRAME	4950	820	3713	615	5670	939	4253	704	6330	1048	4748	786
1500	■	FRAME	4950	523	3713	392	5670	599	4253	449	6330	668	4748	501
2000	■	FRAME	4950	383	3713	287	5670	439	4253	329	6330	490	4748	367
2500	■	FRAME	4950	302	3713	227	5670	346	4253	260	6330	386	4748	290
3000	■	FRAME	4950	249	3713	187	5670	286	4253	214	6330	319	4748	239

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CHART 1–2a

PIER & PAD SCHEDULE — SINGLEWIDE 30 POUND LIVE LOAD

SOIL CAP.	LEGEND	PIER LOC.	12 FEET WIDE				14 FEET WIDE				16 FEET WIDE			
			8'–0" O.C.		6'–0" O.C.		8'–0" O.C.		6'–0" O.C.		8'–0" O.C.		6'–0" O.C.	
			REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)
1000	■	FRAME	1863	308	1397	231	2063	342	1547	256	2246	372	1684	279
	□	PERIMETER	2688	445	2016	334	3208	531	2406	398	3684	610	2763	458
1500	■	FRAME	1863	197	1397	148	2063	218	1547	163	2246	237	1684	178
	□	PERIMETER	2688	284	2016	213	3208	339	2406	254	3684	389	2763	292
2000	■	FRAME	1863	144	1397	108	2063	160	1547	120	2246	174	1684	130
	□	PERIMETER	2688	208	2016	156	3208	248	2406	186	3684	285	2763	214
2500	■	FRAME	1863	114	1397	85	2063	126	1547	94	2246	137	1684	103
	□	PERIMETER	2688	164	2016	123	3208	196	2406	147	3684	225	2763	169
3000	■	FRAME	1863	94	1397	70	2063	104	1547	78	2246	113	1684	85
	□	PERIMETER	2688	135	2016	102	3208	162	2406	121	3684	186	2763	139

CHART 1–3

PIER & PAD SCHEDULE — SINGLEWIDE 40 POUND LIVE LOAD

SOIL CAP.	LEGEND	PIER LOC.	12 FEET WIDE				14 FEET WIDE				16 FEET WIDE			
			8'–0" O.C.		6'–0" O.C.		8'–0" O.C.		6'–0" O.C.		8'–0" O.C.		6'–0" O.C.	
			REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)
1000	■	FRAME	5500	911	4125	683	6300	1043	4725	782	7033	1165	5275	874
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2000	■	FRAME	5500	426	4125	319	6300	488	4725	366	7033	544	5275	408
2500	■	FRAME	5500	336	4125	252	6300	385	4725	288	7033	429	5275	322
3000	■	FRAME	5500	277	4125	208	6300	318	4725	238	7033	354	5275	266

CHART 1–3a

PIER & PAD SCHEDULE — SINGLEWIDE 40 POUND LIVE LOAD

SOIL CAP.	LEGEND	PIER LOC.	12 FEET WIDE				14 FEET WIDE				16 FEET WIDE			
			8'–0" O.C.		6'–0" O.C.		8'–0" O.C.		6'–0" O.C.		8'–0" O.C.		6'–0" O.C.	
			REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)
1000	■	FRAME	1863	308	1397	231	2063	342	1547	256	2246	372	1684	279
	□	PERIMETER	3238	536	2428	402	3838	635	2878	477	4388	727	3291	545
1500	■	FRAME	1863	197	1397	148	2063	218	1547	163	2246	237	1684	178
	□	PERIMETER	3238	342	2428	256	3838	405	2878	304	4388	463	3291	347
2000	■	FRAME	1863	144	1397	108	2063	160	1547	120	2246	174	1684	130
	□	PERIMETER	3238	251	2428	188	3838	297	2878	223	4388	340	3291	255
2500	■	FRAME	1863	114	1397	85	2063	126	1547	94	2246	137	1684	103
	□	PERIMETER	3238	198	2428	148	3838	234	2878	176	4388	268	3291	201
3000	■	FRAME	1863	94	1397	70	2063	104	1547	78	2246	113	1684	85
	□	PERIMETER	3238	163	2428	122	3838	193	2878	145	4388	221	3291	166

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CHART 1–4a

PIER & PAD SCHEDULE — SINGLEWIDE 60 POUND LIVE LOAD

SOIL CAP.	LEGEND	PIER LOC.	12 FEET WIDE				14 FEET WIDE				16 FEET WIDE			
			8'–0" O.C.		6'–0" O.C.		8'–0" O.C.		6'–0" O.C.		8'–0" O.C.		6'–0" O.C.	
			REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)	REQ'D PIER CAPACITY (LBS.)	REQ'D FOOTING (SQ. IN.)
1000	■	FRAME	1863	308	1397	231	2063	342	1547	256	2254	373	1691	280
	□	PERIMETER	4338	718	3253	538	5354	887	4016	665	5826	965	4369	724
1500	■	FRAME	1863	197	1397	148	2063	218	1547	163	2254	238	1691	179
	□	PERIMETER	4338	458	3253	344	5354	565	4016	424	5826	615	4369	461
2000	■	FRAME	1863	144	1397	108	2063	160	1547	120	2254	175	1691	131
	□	PERIMETER	4338	336	3253	252	5354	414	4016	311	5826	451	4369	338
2500	■	FRAME	1863	114	1397	85	2063	126	1547	94	2254	138	1691	103
	□	PERIMETER	4338	265	3253	199	5354	327	4016	245	5826	356	4369	267
3000	■	FRAME	1863	94	1397	70	2063	104	1547	78	2254	114	1691	85
	□	PERIMETER	4338	219	3253	164	5354	370	4016	202	5826	294	4369	220

CHART 5

SOIL TYPE (2)	ALLOWABLE PRESSURE (3) (POUNDS PER SQUARE FOOT)
ROCK, HARD PAN	4,000 AND UP
SANDY GRAVEL AND GRAVEL	2,000
SAND, SILTY SAND, CLAYEY SAND, SILTY GRAVEL, CLAYEY SILT	1,500
CLAY, SANDY CLAY, SILTY CLAY, CLAYEY SILT	1,000
UNCOMMITTED FILL	SEE NOTE (4)
PEAT, ORGANIC CLAYS	SEE NOTE (4)

NOTES:

(1.) TO BE USED ONLY WHEN NONE OF THE FOLLOWING IS AVAILABLE:
- a. SOILS INVESTIGATION & ANALYSIS OF SITE
- b. COMPLIANCE WITH LOCAL BUILDING CODES.
- c. COMPETENT OPINION BY LOCAL ENGINEER OR BUILDING OFFICIAL.

(2) BASED ON UNIFIED CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM.

(3) NO ALLOWANCES MADE FOR OVERBURDEN PRESSURE, EMBEDMENT DEPTH, WATER TABLE HEIGHT, OR SETTLEMENT PROBLEMS.

(4) SPECIAL ANALYSIS REQUIRED.

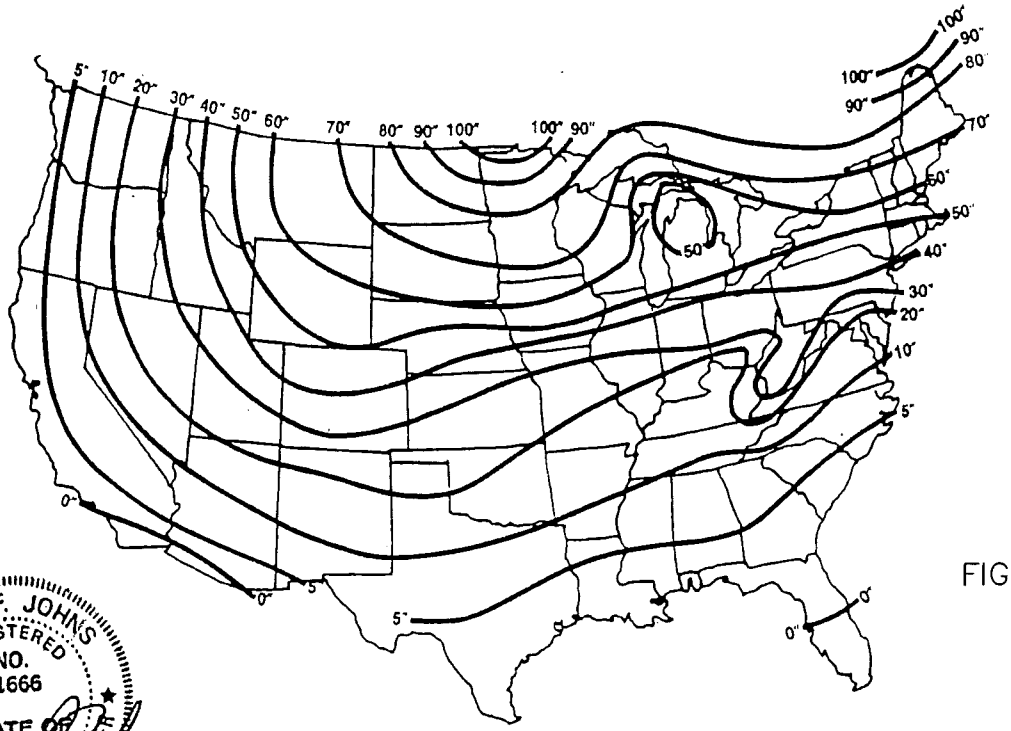

FIGURE 1–4

FROST PENETRATION DEPTHS

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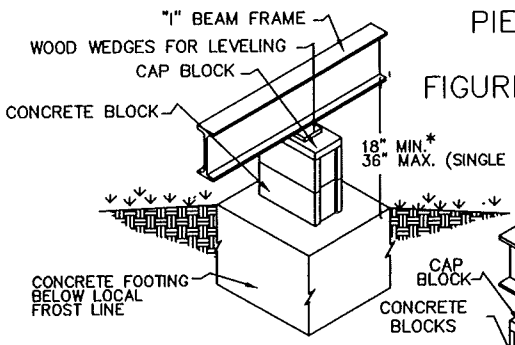
PIER DETAILS



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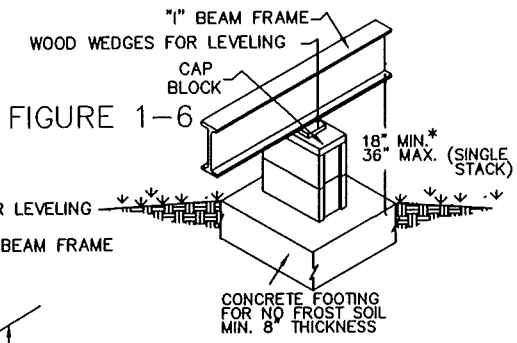

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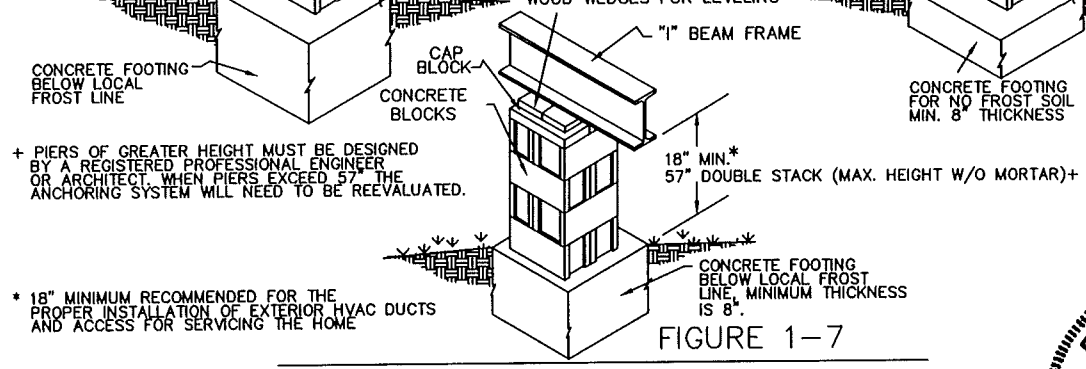
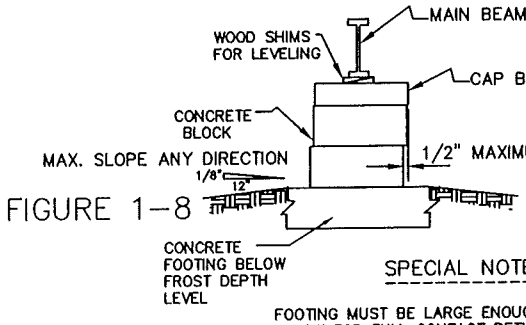


FIGURE 1-7

PIER OFFSET DETAILS



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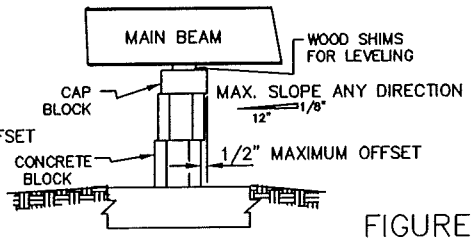

FIGURE 1-9

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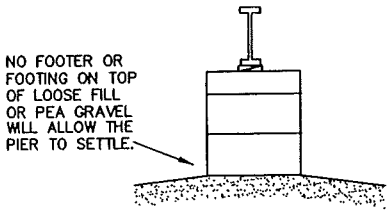
SPECIAL NOTES

FOOTING MUST BE LARGE ENOUGH TO ALLOW FOR FULL CONTACT BETWEEN THE BLOCKS AND THE FOOTING.

ALL FOOTINGS HAVE AN 8" MINIMUM THICKNESS, AND MUST EXTEND BELOW THE LOCAL FROST LINE.

IMPROPER FOOTING DETAIL



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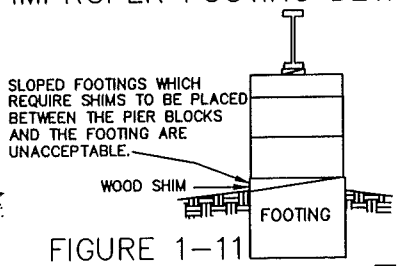

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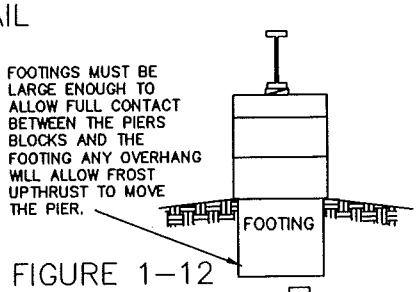

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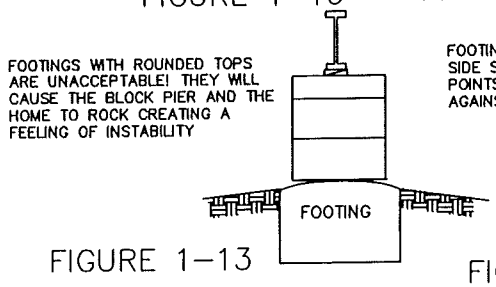

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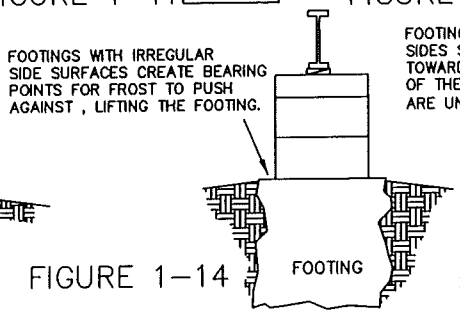

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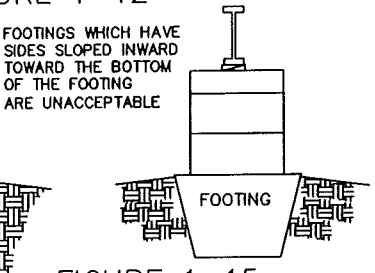

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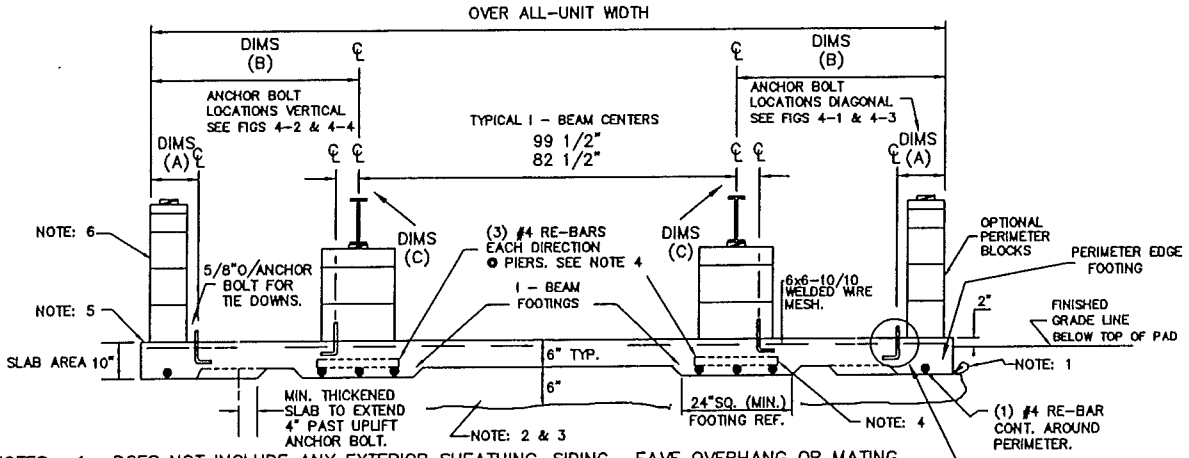


NOTES: 1. DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY EXTERIOR SHEATHING, SIDING , EAVE OVERHANG OR MATING LINE TOLERANCE OF UP TO PLUS 5\8 OF AN INCH DUE TO SITE INSTALLED WEATHER SEALS.
2. DIMENSIONS IN ( ) REPRESENT UNIT HAVING 6" EXTERIOR WALLS.

FIGURE 1-16

NOTES:

1 6 MIL. VISQUEEN VAPOR BARRIER UNDER CONCRETE(OPTIONAL).

2 ALL ORGANTIC MATERIAL TO BE REMOVED FROM UNDER PAD.

3 NON-ORGANTIC FILL MUST BE COMPACTED TO 95% OF ITS' MAXIMUM RELATIVE DENSITY.

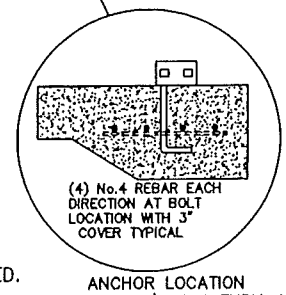
4 RE-BARS LOCATED 3" FROM BOTTOM AND SIDES OF CONCRETE.

5 CONCRETE TO BE 3000 P.S.I. MINIMUM WITH SLUMP OF 4.

6 PERIMETER BLOCKING AROUND THE ENTIRE UNIT IS OPTIONAL, YET IS REQUIRED AT ALL EXTERIOR SIDEWALL OPENINGS EXCEEDING 4'-0" IN WIDTH (PATIO DOORS, LARGE WINDOWS, ETC.)

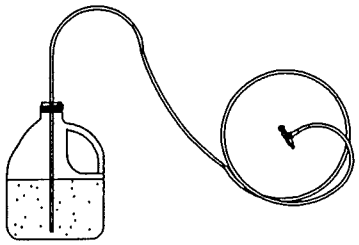
7 IN LOCATIONS SUSCEPTIBLE TO FROST HEAVE, PERIODIC RE-ALIGNMENT WILL BE REQUIRED.

8 PAD MUST BE SLOPED FROM THE CENTERS OUTWARD EACH DIRECTION A MAXIMUM OF 1\8 INCH PER FOOT



ANCHOR LOCATION
SEE FIG'S 4-1 THRU 4-4
AND CHARTS 4-1 THRU 4-4

UNIT WIDTH MINIMAL	UNIT WIDTH ACTUAL	EXTERIOR WALL THICKNESS	DIMENSION "A"	DIMENSION "B" 82 1/2" I-BEAM	DIMENSION "B" 99 1/2" I-BEAM	DIMENSION "C"
12' WIDE	141"	4"	10"	29 1/4"	20 3/4"	2"
12' WIDE	141"	6"	12"	29 1/4"	20 3/4"	2"
14' WIDE	165"	4"	10"	41 1/4"	32 3/4"	2"
14' WIDE	165"	6"	12"	41 1/4"	32 3/4"	2"
16' WIDE	184"	4"	10"	50 3/4"	42 1/4"	2"
16' WIDE	184"	6"	12"	50 3/4"	42 1/4"	2"



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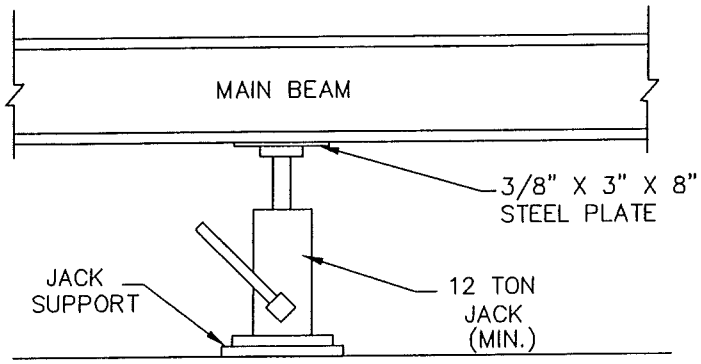

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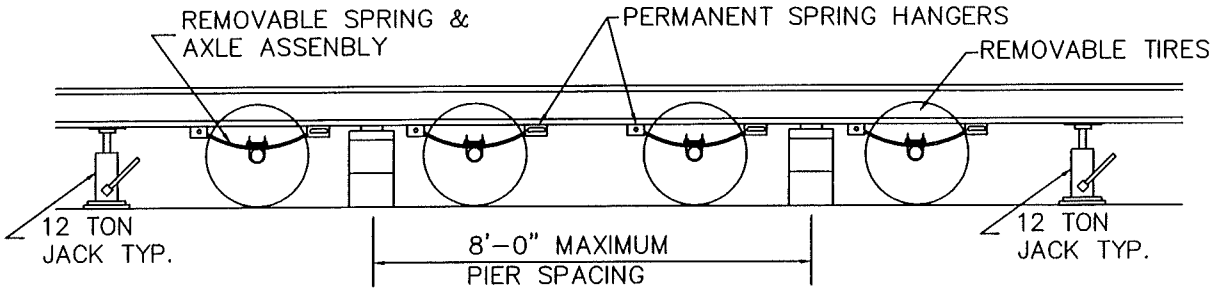

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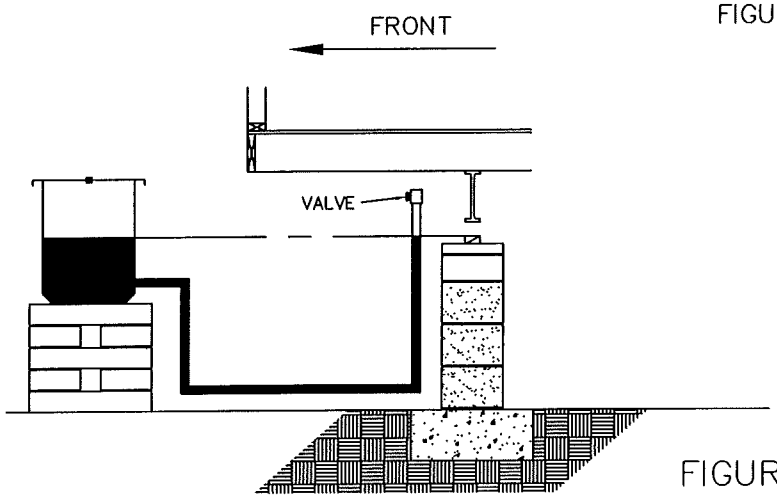

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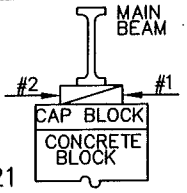
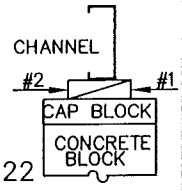
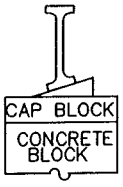
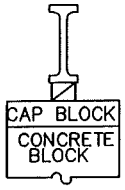
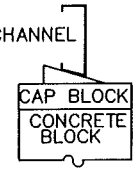
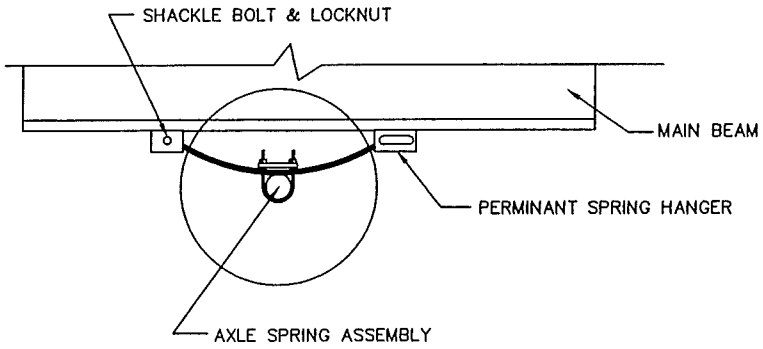
CORRECT SHIM PLACEMENT  FIGURE 1-21	GENERAL 1) INCORRCET INSTALLATION OF SHIMS MAY CAUSE THE OBJECT BEING SHIMMED TO BEND, CREATING A ROTATION IN THE FLANGE. 2) TO PROPERLY INSTALL THE SHIMS PLACE THE SHIMS AS SHOWN IN ORDER OF SEQUENCE.	CORRECT SHIM PLACEMENT C - CHANNEL  FIGURE 1-22
INCORRECT SHIMMING  FIGURE 1-23	INCORRECT SHIMMING  FIGURE 1-24	INCORRECT SHIMMING C - CHANNEL  FIGURE 1-25



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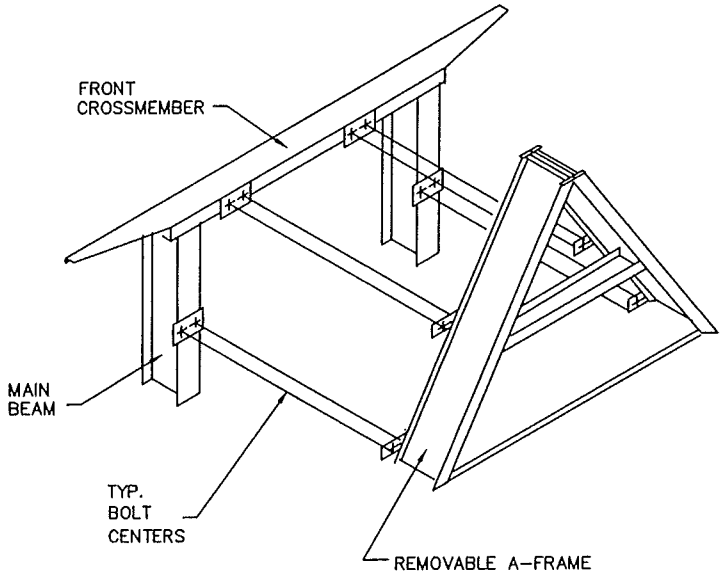


(NOTE: AS VIEWED FROM UNDERNEATH THE HOME.)

FIGURE 1–27

UTILITY SYSTEMS

UTILITY SYSTEMS

2-1 General

2-1.1 Before leaving the manufacturing facility, the gas, water, and drain line systems of your home were tested for tightness. In addition, the electrical system has been thoroughly tested. However, prior to connecting these systems to their supply, another test should be conducted to ensure that these systems are functioning properly and should be examined for damage which may have occurred in transit or on the dealer's lot.

2-1.2 All connections and testing of these systems must be made by an experienced installer. It is nevertheless highly recommended that you make personal inspections, particularly of any exposed water or drain line connections for leaks, inside the home and underneath the home, and that you confirm that the electrical system has been properly grounded through the 4-wire feeder as described in the Electrical Systems section of this instruction.

2-1.3 **Note:** It must be possible to gain access to all utility connections through removable sections of the skirting or through access doors.

2-2 Water Distribution, Connection, and Testing

2-2.1 The water distribution system of your home has been equipped with a 3/4 inch threaded inlet connection. The location is marked on the side of the home with a tag stating "Fresh Water Connection." When connecting the site water supply to this connection, care must be taken to ensure that the threads and inside of the pipe are clean and clear of any obstruction which may have occurred while the home was in transit or on your dealer's lot.

2-2.2 The water distribution system was designed for a maximum water inlet pressure of 80 pounds per square inch. Should you locate your home in an area where the water pressure exceeds 80 pounds per square inch, a pressure reducing valve must be installed. In addition to the pressure reducing valve, if required, a full flow shut-off valve must be installed on the main feeder line adjacent to the home (See Figure 2-28). This valve must be either a full port gate or full port ball valve with threaded or solder joints.

2-2.3 It is further recommended that a check valve be installed on the water inlet to prevent water system drainage in the event of a loss of water pressure from the source. Such pressure loss could cause the water heater to drain, exposing the heating elements of electric water heaters causing them to fail.

2-2.4 All water heaters, having a storage tank, are equipped with an approved, fully automatic valve designed to provide temperature and pressure relief. These valves are provided with a drain that discharges below your home. The opening in this drain should be inspected to ensure that it is clear of any obstruction which may have occurred while the home was in transit or on your dealer's lot. Tankless water heaters, which do not store heated water under pressure, are not equipped with an automatic valve and drain.

2-2.5 In areas subject to freezing temperatures, all exposed water supply lines must be protected by wrapping with insulation and by using one or more listed electric heat tapes. Use only heat tapes that are listed and approved for use on manufactured homes. A receptacle outlet has been provided on the underside of your home in the area of the water inlet for the express use of the heat tapes.

CAUTION

ONLY HEAT TAPES LISTED FOR USE WITH MANUFACTURED HOMES MAY BE USED. THEY MUST BE INSTALLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR LISTINGS AND INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS. FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS COULD RESULT IN AN ELECTRICAL HAZARD OR SHORT CIRCUIT WHICH COULD CAUSE A FIRE.

2-2.6 If your home is equipped with an uninsulated or vented (to allow for combustion air for a gas water heater) exterior water heater door, the exposed water lines within the water heater compartment must be insulated.

CAUTION

DO NOT BLOCK OR SEAL THE COMBUSTION AIR VENTS IN THE WATER HEATER DOOR.

2-3 Procedure for Testing the Water System

2-3.1 Testing the water distribution system can be performed by subjecting this system to a hydrostatic pressure of 100 pounds per square inch for 15 minutes without loss of pressure.

CAUTION

IF AIR ONLY IS TO BE USED IN TESTING THE WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM, THE WATER HEATER SHOULD BE ISOLATED FROM THE TEST.

2-3.2 This can be done by disconnecting the hot and cold water lines on the water heater and then joining them together. The piping can then be subjected to an air test of 100 pounds per square inch for a period of 15 minutes. If the water heater is to be left connected to the system while conducting an air test, the pressure should never exceed 30 pounds per square inch. Even though water heaters have a working pressure from 125 to 150 pounds per square inch, it is a hydrostatic or water pressure measurement. Subjecting a water tank to air pressure alone (if it exceeds 30 pounds per square inch) will create a possibility of damaging the tank or having the tank actually explode. **THEREFORE, NEVER APPLY AIR PRESSURE EXCEEDING 30 POUNDS PER SQUARE INCH TO THE WATER SYSTEM UNLESS THE HOT WATER TANK IS ISOLATED FROM THE SYSTEM.**

2-4 Draining the Water Lines

2-4.1 To ensure that the water supply lines are completely drained it will be necessary to blow out the lines. The air pressure can be supplied by a low-pressure compressor (30 pounds per square inch maximum). The procedure will be as follows:

2-4.1.1. Turn off water heater.

2-4.1.2. Turn off water supply.

2-4.1.3. Open all faucets throughout home.

2-4.1.4. Disconnect water supply inlet.

2-4.1.5. Open water heater drain valve, after attaching a hose to the valve so the water drains outside the home.

2-4.1.6. Let water supply system and water heater drain completely.

2-4.1.7. Flush toilets and drain water tanks completely.

2-4.1.8. Close all water faucets with the exception of one.

2-4.1.9. Connect 30 pounds per square inch air supply to water inlet connection.

2-4.1.10. With the air supply on the system, open one faucet at a time throughout the home.

2-4.1.11. After entire system has been drained of all water, disconnect the air supply and close off water inlet valve.

2-4.1.12. Pour an antifreeze solution into all drain traps, including sinks, tubs, and toilets. **BE SURE THAT THE ANTIFREEZE YOU USE IS SAFE FOR THE FIXTURES AND P-TRAPS.**

2-4.1.13. Do not overlook the laundry area if plumbed, and the exterior faucet when installed.

2-5 Waste Drainage System Connection and Testing

2-5.1 The waste drainage system in your home terminates in a standard 3-inch waste connection which is located underneath the home in the area of the bathroom. Depending on the design of the home and the number of bathrooms, a certain amount of site work may be necessary to complete the connections and bring the drain outlet to one point. Refer to the provided illustration.

2-5.2 When connecting the drains into one outlet or routing the unit drain to the site drain, the system must be properly assembled, sloped, and supported. It is recommended that all the piping be cut and pre-assembled to make certain of fit prior to final assembly. A slope of 1/4 inch per foot of drain length is required for the drain system. However, where it is impractical due to the structural features or arrangement of the home, a slope of not less than 1/8 inch per foot is allowable providing there is a full-size clean out installed at the upper end. This reduced slope applies only to the piping which brings the unit drain to the building site drain.

2-5.3 The drainage system must be properly supported to ensure proper slope and to eliminate any damage to the system or the possibility of a low spot developing which could cause the waste to back up. The supports must be located a maximum of 48 inches on center. Straps used to support the drain from the floor of the home must be at least 3/4 inches in width, .020 inches in thickness, and must be made to resist corrosion. Other approved hangers and supports may also be used in accordance with their listings (See Figures 2-2 and 2-3, and any instructions which may have been supplemented into the rear of this manual).

2-5.4 Just prior to the connection of the home drainage system to the site drain, the system should be plugged and flooded to test for any leaks which may have developed in the system, due to in-transit vibrations, and in the site-installed piping. The procedure for this testing is as follows:

2-5.4.1. With the drainage system outlet tightly capped and the tub and shower drains plugged, fill the system with water until the toilet bowls are full to the bottom of the rim. The water should stand without the level falling for 15 minutes.

2-5.4.2. Fill fixtures which are higher than the toilet bowl (lavatories, sinks, etc.) with water. Check these fixture connections for leaks as you allow the water to flow through the system as the drains are opened.

2-5.4.3. Any leakage noted during these tests should be isolated and corrected prior to home occupancy.

2-5.5 In areas subject to freezing temperatures, all exposed drain lines should be protected by wrapping with insulation and by using one or more listed electric heat tapes where insulation alone is inadequate.

CAUTION

ONLY HEAT TAPES LISTED FOR USE WITH MANUFACTURED HOMES MAY BE USED. THEY MUST BE LISTED FOR USE WITH THE TYPE OF MATERIAL USED IN THE DRAINAGE SYSTEM AND MUST BE INSTALLED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS. FAILURE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS COULD RESULT IN AN ELECTRICAL HAZARD OR SHORT CIRCUIT WHICH COULD CAUSE A FIRE.

2-6 Gas System Connection and Testing

2-6.1 The gas piping system in this home is designed for a pressure not exceeding 14 inches water column (1/2 psi) and not less than 10 inches water column (3/8 psi).

2-6.2 The gas piping system was tested at the time of manufacture, however, it is essential that it be inspected and tested at the site for leaks that may have been caused by in-transit vibrations or physical damage that may have occurred after the time of manufacture and system testing prior to connecting the system to the gas supply.

CAUTION

DO NOT APPLY MORE THAN THE SPECIFIED PRESSURE AS DAMAGE TO GAS VALVES AND/OR REGULATORS MAY RESULT.

2-6.3 Before a test is begun, the temperature of the ambient air and the piping should be approximately the same. Conduct the test when air temperatures will remain stable.

2-6.4 The gas piping system must be tested two ways:

2-6.4.1. Piping only - all appliances isolated.

2-6.4.2. Entire system - with appliances.

A. Piping only test:

1) Isolate all appliances from the system by closing all appliance shut-off valves.

2) Pressure must be measured with a mercury manometer or slope gauge calibrated in increments of not more than 1/10 pound.

3) Pressurize the system to 3 pounds per square inch.

4) Isolate the pressure source from the system.

5) The gauge must stand 10 minutes without a pressure drop.

6) Release pressure and open all appliance shut-off valves.

B. Entire system test:

1) Pressurize the system to either:
a. 3/8 to 1/2 pounds per square inch, or

b. 10 inches to 14 inches water column

2) Apply bubble solution to all appliance connections.

NOTE

PRIOR TO MAKING CONNECTION TO SITE SUPPLY, GAS INLET ORIFICES OF FURNACES,

WATER HEATERS, AND APPLIANCES MUST BE CHECKED TO ENSURE THEY ARE SET UP FOR TYPE OF GAS TO BE USED - L.P. (LIQUIFIED PETROLEUM) OR NATURAL GAS. THE GAS PRESSURE SHOULD NOT EXCEED 14 INCHES WATER COLUMN.

2-6.5 If conversion is required, individual appliance, furnace, or water heater manufacturer's instructions must be complied with.

2-6.6 Gas appliance vents (flues) shall be visually inspected to ensure that they have been connected to the appliance and roof jacks are installed and have not come loose due to transit vibrations. Any portions of a gas vent that was not assembled due to shipping height restrictions must be installed and inspected.

2-6.7 The connection to the gas supply should be made by an authorized representative of the gas company (See Figure 2-4).

2-7 Oil Piping Connection and Testing

2-7.1 Homes which are equipped with oil burning furnaces must have the oil supply piping installed on site. Piping is not supplied by this company.

2-7.2 The furnace manufacturer's instructions must be consulted for proper pipe sizing and installation procedures.

2-7.3 In addition, unless the home is installed in a park with a centralized oil distribution system, an oil storage tank of suitable capacity must be installed outside the home in a location accessible for service and safe from fire and other hazards.

2-7.4 Oil tanks that feed vaporizing type oil furnaces must be installed so that oil flows by gravity. To achieve efficient gravity flow, the tank must be installed so that the bottom of the tank is at least 18 inches above the level of the furnace oil control, while the top of the tank is within 8 feet of the oil control level.

2-7.5 For gun type oil furnaces, the location of the oil storage tank is left to the discretion of the home owner. Since the furnace includes a fuel pump, the tank may be installed above or below ground. For tanks installed below ground, the filler neck should extend 1 foot above grade and a 1-1/4 inch diameter minimum vent pipe extending at least 2 feet above grade must be provided.

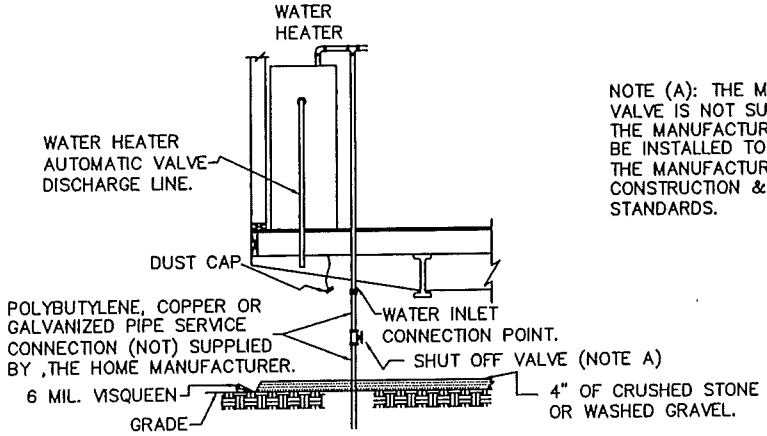
2-7.6 Regardless of the type of oil furnace served, or the tank location, the tank should be installed to provide a gradual slope toward the fill end or drain plug (if so equipped) to facilitate pumping or draining of water and sludge.

2-7.7 An accessible and approved manually operated shut-off valve must be installed at the oil tank outlet. Additionally, it is recommended that a suitable filter be installed in the fuel line near the tank to help trap dirt and water.

NOTE

ALL OIL STORAGE TANK AND OIL PIPING INSTALLATIONS MUST MEET ALL APPLICABLE LOCAL REGULATIONS AND SHOULD BE MADE ONLY BY EXPERIENCED, QUALIFIED PERSONNEL.

2-7.8 Before setting the system in operation, the tank installation and supply piping must be checked for leakage. The tank must be filled to capacity with the fuel to be burned and all joints in the system checked visually for leakage.



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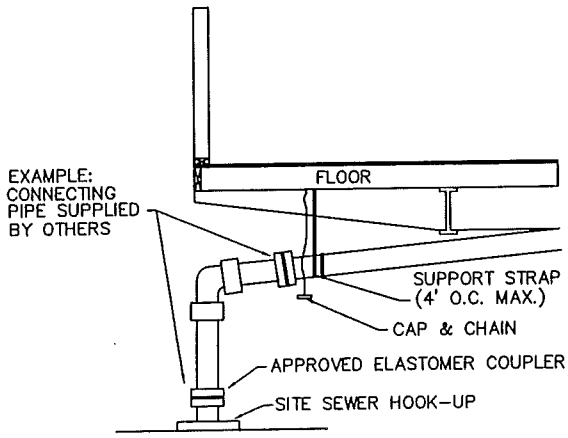

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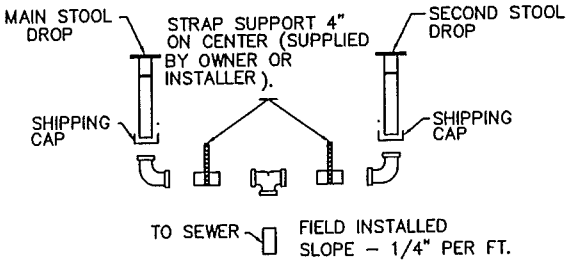

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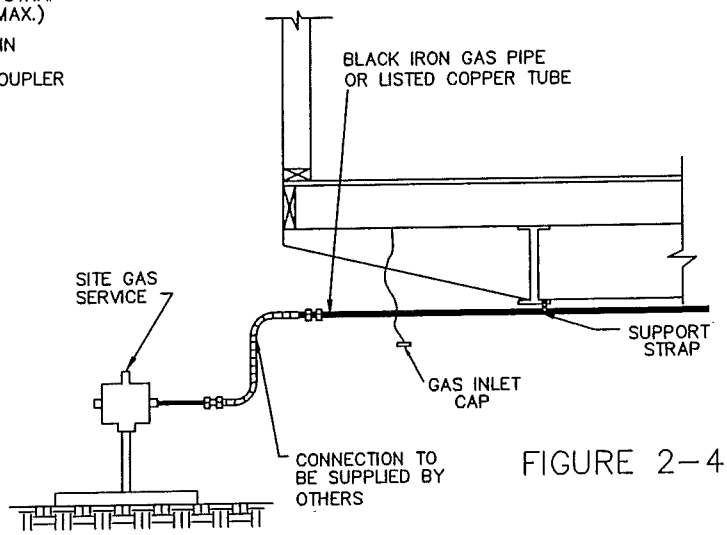


FIGURE 2–4

TYPICAL GAS LINE CROSSOVER

ELECTRIC SYSTEMS

3-1 Electric System

3-1.1 Your home is designed to be connected to an electrical supply source rated at 120/240 Volts, 3-pole, 4-wire, 60-Hertz having an insulated neutral. In making the feeder connections to this power source, it is extremely important that conductors of the correct size, insulation type, and material be used. If the conductors are incorrectly sized, the ampacity for that conductor may be exceeded resulting in a voltage drop within your home or an overheating of the conductor which will cause the circuit breaker to trip protecting the system from a short circuit.

3-1.2 Ampacity is the safe current carrying capacity of a conductor expressed in amperes. The greater the amperes flowing, the greater the heat build-up within the conductor. If the amperage is allowed to become too great, the conductor may become so hot that it will damage the insulation. Should the insulation be damaged severely enough that the individual conductors come into contact with one another, a short circuit will result which could cause a fire. To avoid the possibility of a voltage drop or short circuit caused by improper conductor sizing, refer to Chart 3-1 for proper conductor sizing.

3-1.3 Before locating your home at a permanent site or park, make certain that sufficient power is available. Insufficient power will result in the improper operation of motors, appliances, and lights which will further result in a more costly electrical service. Proper performance of your home's electrical system depends on a full 120/240 volts of electrical power at an amperage equal to the rating of the main circuit breaker located in the distribution panel within your home. The amperage rating of the disconnect circuit breaker located in the disconnect box outside of your home must also be equal to that of the main circuit breaker in the distribution panel.

3-1.4 It is also vital for the protection of the occupants of the home that it be properly grounded. The only safe and approved method of grounding your home is through the electrically isolated grounding bar located in the distribution panel which grounds all non-current carrying metal parts to the electrical system in your home to a single point. The grounding bus bar(s) may be located on either side of the panel box or split between the sides and hold(s) the bare copper grounding conductors only.

3-1.5 The neutral bus bar(s) may be located on both sides of the circuit breakers or be combined on either side and hold(s) only the white insulated conductors.

3-1.6 The grounding conductor of the entrance feeder connects the grounding bus bar to an electrical ground at the disconnect box (See Figure 3-1 & 3-2). For this reason, you must have a 3-pole, 4 wire feeder.

NOTICE

THE MANUFACTURED HOME CONSTRUCTION AND SAFETY STANDARDS AND THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE PROHIBIT CONNECTING THE GROUNDING BAR AND THE NEUTRAL BAR TOGETHER IN THE DISTRIBUTION PANEL. THE GROUND AND THE NEUTRAL ARE INSULATED FROM ONE ANOTHER. IT IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT THAT THE GROUNDING CONDUCTOR AND THE NEUTRAL CONDUCTOR FROM THE DISTRIBUTION PANEL IN THE HOME BE CONNECTED TOGETHER AT THE DISCONNECT BOX LOCATED OUTSIDE OF THE HOME (SEE FIGURES 3-1 & 3-2). FOR THIS REASON, ALL FOUR OF THE FEEDER CONDUCTORS ARE ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL.

WARNING

IF THE GROUNDING CONDUCTOR AND THE NEUTRAL CONDUCTOR ARE NOT CONNECTED TOGETHER AT THE DISCONNECT BOX AND THEN PROPERLY GROUNDED TO THE EARTH AS REQUIRED BY THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE, THE INDIVIDUAL BRANCH CIRCUIT BREAKERS LOCATED IN THE DISTRIBUTION PANEL WITHIN THE HOME WILL NOT FUNCTION AND A SHORT CIRCUIT AT ANY TIME COULD CAUSE AN ELECTROCUTION.

3-1.7 The electrical supply connection to the home may be made utilizing a raceway or buried cable. A raceway is provided from the distribution panel and is routed to the underside of the home. A junction box must be used to connect the home feeder raceway to the supply raceway beneath the home. This feeder installation must be in accordance with the National

Electrical Code. The proper feeder conductor sizes and required junction box sizes are given in Chart 6-1 and Figures 3-1 & 3-2.

3-1.8 The main distribution panelboard within the home has been sized for the electrical equipment and/or branch circuits that were installed during the manufacturing process as original equipment. Branch circuits for electrical equipment added to the home in the aftermarket such as air conditioning units, heat pumps and water pumps, as well as for ancillary structures such as porches, garages, workshops, barns, etc. must originate at a power source outside the home.

WARNING

DO NOT INSTALL LAMPS (LIGHT BULBS) IN THE LIGHTING FIXTURES THAT EXCEED THE MAXIMUM WATTAGE LIMIT POSTED ON OR NEAR THE LIGHT FIXTURE. OVER- LAMPING CAN CAUSE AN ELECTRICAL SHOCK OR FIRE HAZARD.

CAUTION

IF YOUR HOME IS EQUIPPED WITH AN ELECTRIC WATER HEATER, DO NOT TURN ON THE CIRCUIT BREAKER IN THE DISTRIBUTION PANEL UNTIL AFTER THE WATER HEATER HAS BEEN FILLED WITH WATER. ENERGIZING THE CIRCUIT PRIOR TO FILLING THE WATER HEATER WILL RESULT IN SEVERE DAMAGE TO THE HEATING ELEMENT WITHIN THE WATER HEATER.

3-2 Test Procedure for Electrical System

3-2.1 The electrical system should be tested to make certain there is no reversed polarity, open grounds, or short circuits in the system. Such tests should be performed after the home has been completely set up and assembled, all metal structural and trim pieces have been installed, and the internal electrical connections have been made.

3-2.2 All exposed non-current carrying metal parts that may become energized shall be effectively bonded. A test to confirm this bonding should be made **BEFORE** the home is connected to 120/240 VAC service.

3-2.3 Perform the following checks for proper bonding or continuity using an Ideal No. 61-030 Continuity Tester or equivalent. (This tester is a small pen flashlight using two "AA" batteries and utilizing a long wire lead with an alligator clamp.)

3-2.3.1 a. Using the flashlight continuity tester, connect the alligator clip to a positive ground (metal skin, window frames on metal exterior units, floor duct riser (when a metal heat duct system has been installed), or a metal screw head on a receptacle or switch plate) and touch the body of the flashlight to each fixture canopy. The continuity light should light if each fixture is properly grounded.

3-2.3.2 b. Using the continuity tester, check all appliances and vent fans. By touching the metal body of the flashlight to the appliance or fan and having the alligator clamp connected to a convenient ground, the light should come on if the appliance or fan is properly grounded.

3-2.3.3. Using the same procedure, check the bonding between the following:

(1) Metal register boot and convenient ground (only with metal ducts),

(2) Steel frame and metal roof,

(3) Steel frame and metal exterior skin,

(4) Steel frame and metal gas piping,

(5) Metal fireplace and convenient ground,

(6) Water heater and convenient ground,

(7) Furnace and convenient ground,

(8) Steel frame and metal EMT raceway to distribution panel where applicable.

NOTE

BONDING IS NOT REQUIRED ON THE METAL INLET OF PLASTIC WATER SYSTEMS OR ON

PLUMBING FIXTURES SUCH AS TUBS, FAUCETS, SHOWER RISERS, AND METAL SINKS WHEN CONNECTED ONLY TO PLASTIC WATER AND DRAIN PIPING.

ANY INDICATION OF AN INADEQUATE BOND BETWEEN ANY OF THE ITEMS LISTED ABOVE WILL REQUIRE INVESTIGATION AND CORRECTION.

3-2.4 An additional check using the continuity tester should be conducted as follows:

3-2.4.1. Using the flashlight continuity tester, connect the alligator clip to a positive ground, turn on all light fixture and appliance switches including all fans and the furnace, and touch the flashlight probe to the neutral bar in the electrical distribution panel and each connected load. The continuity light should not light. If the continuity tester does light, it is an indication of an electrical short.

3-2.4.2. Should an electrical short to ground be indicated, the short must be isolated and corrected before connecting the power to the home from the source.

3-2.5 After the home is connected to 120/240 VAC service, make the following checks:

3-2.5.1 a. Using a polarity checker, such as a Trinetics Ground Monitor GM-20 or equivalent, plug into each AC receptacle in the home noting an indication of reversed polarity, open grounds, or shorts. Any reverse polarity, open grounds, or shorts which are located must be investigated and repaired.

3-2.5.2 b. Using a ground fault tester such as a Unitest GFI Circuit Tester or equivalent, check each ground fault circuit breaker or receptacle outlet for proper operation. Any ground fault breaker or receptacle outlet which does not operate properly should be replaced.

3-2.5.3 c. Install light bulbs and/or fluorescent tubes in all fixtures and check for proper operation by turning on the appropriate switches. Repair or replace any inoperative light switches or fixtures.

3-3 Test Procedures for Smoke Alarms

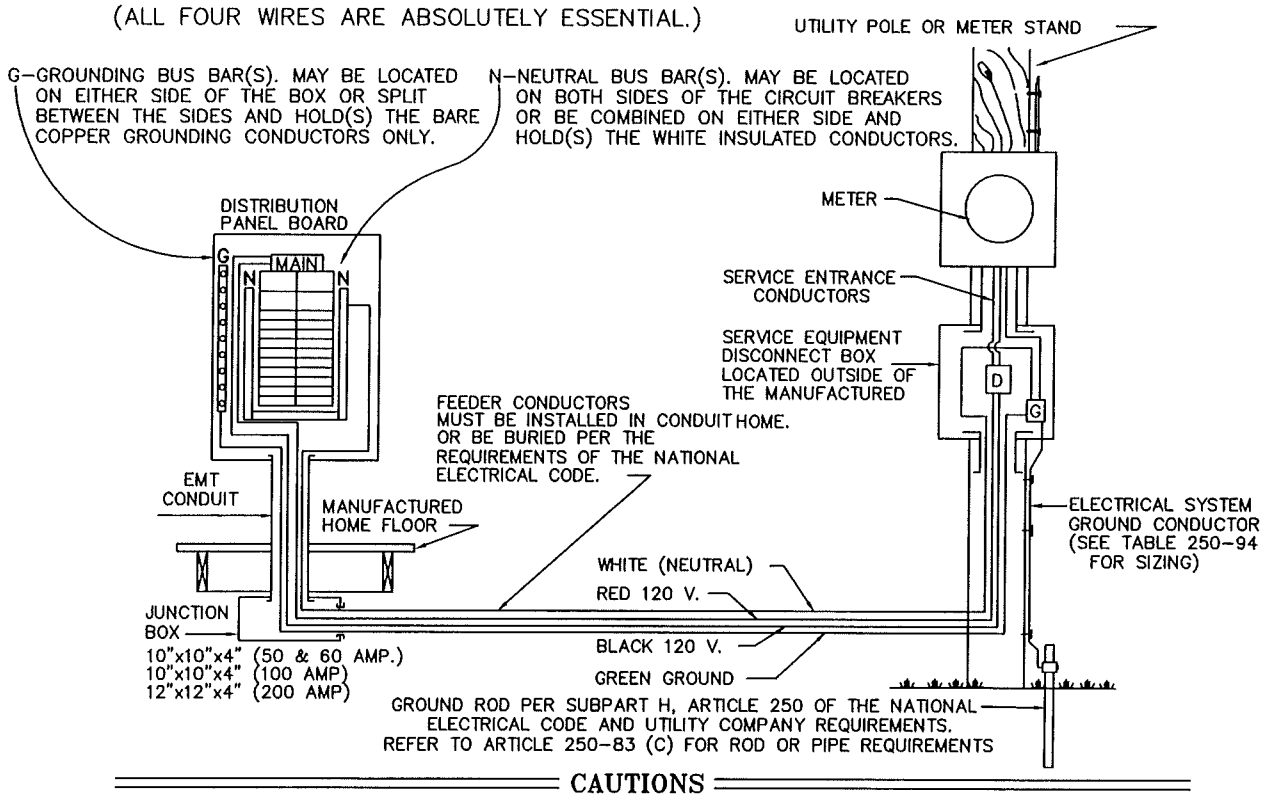
3-3.1 All manufactured homes have smoke alarms wired into the home's electrical system. These devices are sensitive to smoke in the initial stages of a fire and will sound an alarm to alert occupants during a fire. It is essential that the smoke alarms are tested at the time the home is installed at the home site. Testing smoke alarms is a simple operation, but may require the use of a stepladder to safely reach each one.

3-3.2 Begin by locating each smoke alarms and turning off each light switch in the home. Where the smoke alarms have battery backup, the batteries must be removed to allow testing of the 120-volt system. To perform the test, simply press the test button until the alarm sounds.

NOTICE

METHOD OF WIRING & GROUNDING THIS MANUFACTURED HOME
NOTE: ALL WIRES FROM THE PANEL BOX TO THE DISCONNECT MUST BE INSULATED, INCLUDING THE GROUND WIRE.

(ALL FOUR WIRES ARE ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL.)



CAUTIONS
READ EVERY ITEM

1. CONFIRM THAT THE GROUNDING CONDUCTOR IS CONNECTED TO THE GROUNDING BUS BAR AND THAT THE NEUTRAL CONDUCTOR IS CONNECTED TO THE NEUTRAL BUS BAR.
2. NEVER DOUBLE–UP ON A CIRCUIT BREAKER.
3. NEVER REMOVE COVER FROM ENTRY PANEL.
4. NEVER OVERLOAD A CIRCUIT.
5. NEVER ADD ADDITIONAL CIRCUITS TO THIS PANEL.
6. NEVER REPLACE A CIRCUIT BREAKER WITH ONE HAVING A HIGHER AMPACITY RATING.
7. NEVER CONNECT THE ENTRY PANEL TO THE DISCONNECT BOX WITH A MANUFACTURED LIFE LINE (PIGTAIL CONNECTOR).
8. NEVER USE 3 WIRES IN PLACE OF 4. BECAUSE THE HOME WILL BE IMPROPERLY GROUNDED WITHOUT THE 4 WIRE CONNECTION THE CIRCUIT BREAKERS WILL NOT FUNCTION AND A SHORT CIRCUIT AT ANY TIME COULD CAUSE AN ELECTROCUTION.
9. TRIPPED CIRCUIT BREAKERS OF A PROPERLY CONNECTED SYSTEM INDICATE A SHORT CIRCUIT.

WARNING

THE FOURTH INSULATED CONDUCTOR, WHICH IS THE GROUND, IS ABSOLUTELY CRITICAL FOR SAFETY AND PREVENTION OF AN ELECTROCUTION IN THE EVENT OF A SHORT CIRCUIT.

FIGURE 3–1

CHART 3–1

ELECTRICAL FEEDER & EQUIPMENT SIZES

FEEDER SIZE (SEE MAIN BREAKER AND LABEL ON DISTRIBUTION PANEL) (AMPS)	MINIMUM SIZES JUNCT. BOX (IN)	MINIMUM SIZES CONDUIT (IN)	FEEDER CONDUCTOR SIZES (AWG) 1,2,3 COPPER CONDUCTORS SHOWN RED & BLACK (POWER)	WHITE (NEUTRAL)	GREEN (GROUNDING)
50 & 60	10x10x4	1 1/2"	NO. 6 THW (CU.)	NO. 6 THW (CU.)	NO. 8 THW (CU.)
100	10x10x4	1 1/2"	NO. 3 THW (CU.)	NO. 3 THW (CU.)	NO. 8 THW (CU.)
200	12x12x4	2"	NO. 3/0 THW (CU.)	NO. 3/0 THW (CU.)	NO. 4 THW (CU.)

NOTE: 1. BASED ON 75° 27 C. COPPER WIRE.
2. CONDUCTOR SIZES ARE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NATIONAL ELECTRIC CODE TABLE 310–16.
3. COPPER CLAD ALUMINUM OR ALUMINUM CONDUCTORS MAY BE USED WHEN PROPERLY SIZED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NATIONAL ELECTRIC CODE.
4. VOLTAGE DROP NOT CONSIDERED

NOTICE

METHOD OF INSTALLING SERVICE EQUIPMENT, WIRING AND GROUNDING FOR THIS MANUFACTURED HOME.

NOTE: ALL WIRES FROM THE PANEL BOX TO THE DISCONNECT MUST BE INSULATED, INCLUDING THE GROUND WIRE. THE NEUTRAL IS INSULATED FROM THE GROUND IN THE PANELBOARD. (ALL FOUR WIRES ARE ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL.)

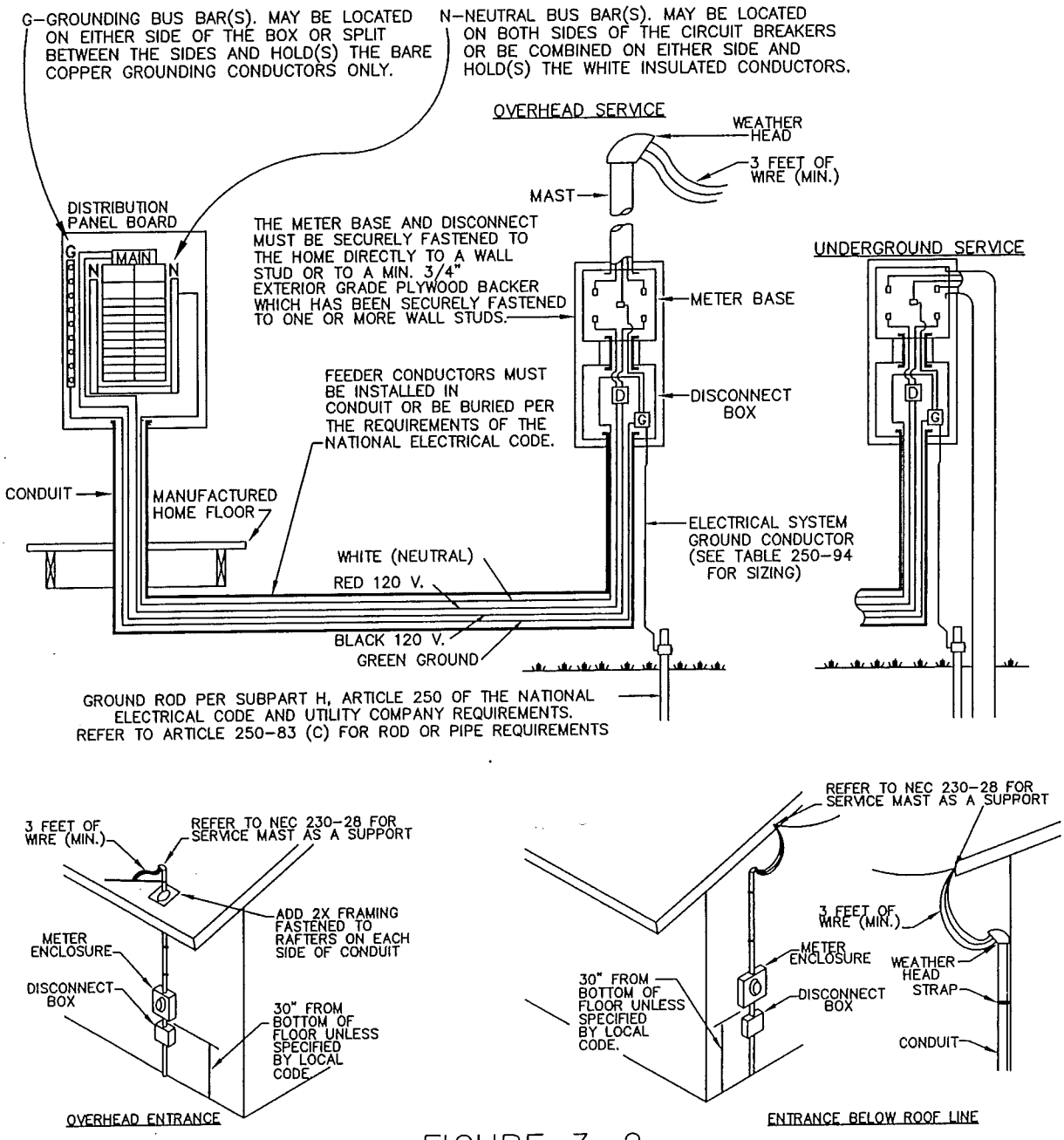


FIGURE 3–2

GROUND ANCHORING SYSTEM

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4-1 General

4-1.1 All homes, whether manufactured or site constructed, must be securely fastened to the ground to resist the sliding and overturning effects of high winds.

4-1.2 This section will provide the information needed to properly install an anchoring system which will provide the resistance to lateral movement (sliding) and overturning (uplift) as follows:

4-1.2.1 Zone I: A horizontal wind load of not less than 15 pounds per square foot and a net uplift of not less than -9 pounds per square foot increased by a factor of safety of 1.5.

4-1.2.2 Zone II: A horizontal wind load of not less than 39 pounds per square foot and a net uplift of not less than -27 pounds per square foot increased by a factor of safety of 1.5

4-1.2.3 Zone III: Not applicable

4-1.3 Your home was designed for the wind conditions specified in the Structural Design Basis Certificate, Design Wind Zone Map, which is posted within your home on a wall in the master bedroom clothes closet.

CAUTION

ALTHOUGH LOCAL SHELTERED CONDITIONS MAY SEEM TO PERMIT THE INSTALLATION OF YOUR HOME WITHOUT THE USE OF A PROPER ANCHORING SYSTEM, THE ANCHOR-ING SYSTEM MUST BE USED IN ALL CASES FOR YOUR SAFETY AND COMFORT.

4-2 Design Criteria

4-2.1. Anchoring equipment must be capable of resisting an allowable working load equal to or exceeding 3,150 pounds and must be capable of withstanding a 50 percent overload (4,725 pounds total) without failure of either the anchoring equipment or the attachment point on your home.

4-2.2. Anchoring equipment means straps, cable, turnbuckles, and chains, including tensioning devices, which are used with ties to secure a manufactured home to ground anchors.

4-2.3. Anchoring equipment should be certified by a registered professional engineer or architect to resist these specified forces in accordance with testing procedures in ASTM Standard Specification D3953-91, Standard Specification for Strapping, Flat Steel and Seals.

4-2.4. Ground anchor strapping used in conjunction with the anchoring system must be equivalent of Type 1, Class B, Grade 1 steel strapping, 1 1/4 inches wide and 0.035 inches thick. The strapping must also comply with the requirements stated in para 4-2.3 above.

4-2.5. Ground anchors should be certified by a registered professional engineer, architect or nationally recognized testing laboratory as to their resistance, based on the maximum angle of diagonal tie and/or vertical tie loading. the anchors must be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's installation instructions which are supplied with the anchors.

4-2.6. Ground anchors should be installed to their full depth, below the local frost line and at least 12 inches above the local water table.

4-2.7. Stabilizing devices or cement collars must be installed to provide added resistance to overturning or sliding forces.

4-2.8. Ground anchors must be placed within two feet of each end of the home and be evenly spaced along the length of the home being careful not to exceed the maximum spacing shown in charts 4-1 through 4-4.

4-2.9. Ground anchors and anchor heads must be sized to resist the loads listed in the notes for Figures 4-1 through 4-4. The materials necessary to anchor your home to the ground have not been provided by this company and may be obtained through your independent manufactured home dealer.

4-3 Installation Instructions - Frame Anchoring Procedure

4-3.1. As noted earlier in this instruction, the ground anchors must be installed prior to locating the home on the site in its final resting position. The exact location of the anchor heads is as follows:

4-3.2. The ground anchor should be installed at the same angle as the diagonal tie so that the pulling force on the anchor is in line with the ties. Should this not be possible, a concrete collar shall be poured around the anchor shaft or a metal stabilizing device driven in front of the anchors director of pull. The collar must be 10 inches in diameter and 18 inches deep. See Figure 4-5. As an alternate to the concrete collar, a stabilizing device may be installed on the anchor in such a way that the width of the stabilizing device is perpendicular to the direction of pull on the straps. See Figure 4-6.

4-3.3. The home must be in its final resting position and in proper working alignment prior to the installation of the anchor ties.

4-3.4. The diagonal ties (frame ties) must be spaced as evenly as practical along the length of the home with not more than 2 feet open end spacing at each end.

4-3.5. The vertical and/or diagonal ties (frame ties) required can be determined by reference to Figures 4-1 through 4-4. The spacing requirements are based on your geographical area, Zone I or Zone II, as indicated on your Structural Design Basis Certificate, Design Wind Zone Map.

4-3.6. Vertical and/or diagonal ties can be connected to the frame I-beams by wrapping, clipping or bolting. Where the ties are wrapped the strapping must be protected from the edges of the I-beam by crimping another layer of strapping to the top and bottom hangers of the I-beam before making the wrap. Make certain to wrap only at the protected areas. (see Figures 4-8, 4-9, 4-11, and 4-11).

4-3.7. Expando and rollout rooms will have vertical ties located at their exposed ends. See Figure 4-7.

4-3.8. Connect the diagonal ties to the frame (I-beam) and the ground anchors. (See Figures 4-8, 4-9, 4-10, and 4-11.)

4-3.9. Tighten the straps using the tensioning device provided with the ground anchors. Following the tensioning specifications provided by the anchor equipment manufacture carefully. Use caution to avoid overtensioning of the straps, which might pull the home off the piers. It is recommended that all straps be tightened only enough to remove the slack. Then, after all straps are installed and the slack removed, tension the straps.

4-3.10. The strap tension should be rechecked at frequent intervals until all pier settlement has stopped and alignment adjustments made as needed.

4-4 Longitudinal Frame Ties

4-4.1 In addition to the vertical and/or diagonal ties required along the length of the home, diagonal ties are also required to be placed at the ends of the home. They must be attached to the I-beam as shown in Figures 4-14,4-15 and 4-16. The design criteria found on page 30 for anchoring equipment applies to their ties as well. The ties may be bolted or clipped to the I-beam or lower flange as shown.

4-4.2 Tie spacing is dependent on the geographic zone the home is located in (Zone I or Zone II, as indicated on your Structural Design Basis Certificate, Design Wind Zone Map), height of exterior wall and pier height. Refer to charts 4-5 and 4-6 for spacing.

CAUTION

DURING ANY REALIGNING PROCESS, DO NOT JACK THE HOME AGAINST TIGHTENED GROUND TIES.

4-5 Optional Over-the-roof Strap Procedure

NOTICE

OVER-THE-ROOF STRAPS ARE PROVIDED ONLY AS AN OPTIONAL ITEM TO ACHIEVE ADDITIONAL STABILITY IN EXTREME WINDS. THESE STRAPS MUST BE USED ONLY AS A SUPPLEMENT TO THE ENGINEERED FRAME TIE DOWN PROCEDURE DESCRIBED EARLIER IN THIS SECTION, WHICH IS STILL MANDATORY.

4-5.1 Materials not furnished with the home, which will be necessary to properly connect the over-the-roof straps, are:

4-5.1.1 Ground anchors capable of withstanding at least a 4,750 pound pull when installed in the soil at the site.

4-5.1.2 Strap and connection devices.

CAUTION

THE HOME MUST BE IN ITS FINAL ALIGNED POSITION WITH FRAME TIES INSTALLED BEFORE CONNECTING THE OVER-THE-ROOF STRAPS.

4-5.2 The procedure for over-the-roof strap installation is as follows:

4-5.2.1. Position and install the ground anchors so that the strap will be vertical after attachment to the anchor. The anchor may be installed slightly beneath the home to avoid interference with skirting. (See Figure 4-11.)

4-5.2.2. Insert the connector yoke through the eye in the anchor and insert slotted bolt through the yoke.

4-5.2.3. Place end of strap through slotted bolt and remove slack by turning bolt. **DO NOT TENSION UNTIL BOTH ENDS OF STRAP ARE CONNECTED.**

4-5.2.4. Tension and lock connector in position; consult instructions furnished with connectors.

4-5.2.5. Check strap tension. See para 4-3.9 under "Frame Anchoring Procedure".

4-6 Alternate Procedures

4-6.1. Should your home be placed on a full concrete slab as shown in Figure 1-16, the ground anchors may be replaced with anchor bolts imbedded in the concrete slab as shown. The location of the anchor bolt in relation to the longitudinal I-beams of the frame will be the same as for the ground anchors. (See Figure 4-13).

4-6.2. If for any special considerations at the home site you cannot use this ground anchoring system, you may have an anchoring system designed by a registered professional engineer or architect at the home owner's or installer's expense. The design criteria described earlier in this section should be used for loads, safety factors, and equipment specifications. The engineer or architect should inspect the installed system to ensure proper installation. Above all, your home must be properly anchored to the ground.

4-6.3. Anchors embedded into concrete runners under the I-beams rather than the full slab (See Figure 1-16) or into the individual footings are unacceptable unless such installation complies with paragraph 4-6.2 above.

GENERAL NOTES

1. THE ANCHOR MUST BE MINUTE MAN OR EQUAL. ANCHOR AND ANCHOR HEAD MUST HAVE AN ULTIMATE STRENGTH EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN 5052 LBS. FOR 12 WIDE, 5043 LBS. FOR 14 WIDE AND 5118 LBS. FOR 16 WIDE.

2. ANCHOR BOLTS (REGARDLESS OF ZONING) MUST START NO FURTHER THAN 2'-0" FROM EACH END OF HOME.

3. IF ANCHOR IS INSERTED VERTICALLY, A CONCRETE COLLAR OR STABILIZING DEVICE MUST BE USED AT THE GROUND LINE. SEE FIG. 4-5 & 4-6.

4. EACH OF THE STRAPS AND CONNECTIONS TO THE I-BEAM MUST HAVE AN ULTIMATE STRENGTH OF 4725 LBS. SEE FIG. 4-8 THROUGH 4-12.

5. REFER TO CHART 7 FOR ZONE 1 AND ZONE 2 MAXIMUM STRAP SPACING FOR THIS ANCHORING SYSTEM.

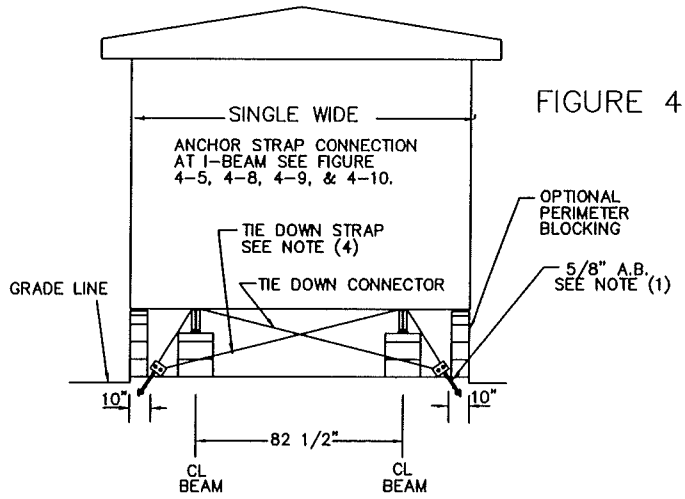

FIGURE 4-1

MAXIMUM ANCHOR SPACING (DIAGONAL) 82 1/2" I-BEAM CENTERS

CHART 4-1

MAXIMUM PIER HEIGHT	12 WIDE UNITS		14 WIDE UNITS		16 WIDE UNITS	
ZONE 1 & 2	ZONE # 1	ZONE # 2	ZONE # 1	ZONE # 2	ZONE # 1	ZONE # 2
25 1/2"	22 ft.	8 ft.	19 ft.	7 ft.	17 ft.	6 ft.
33 1/2"	21 ft.	9 ft.	21 ft.	7 ft.	19 ft.	6 ft.
41 1/2"	20 ft.	9 ft.	22 ft.	8 ft.	20 ft.	7 ft.
49 1/2"	19 ft.	9 ft.	21 ft.	8 ft.	21 ft.	7 ft.
57 1/2"	18 ft.	9 ft.	20 ft.	8 ft.	22 ft.	8 ft.

GENERAL NOTES

1. THE ANCHOR MUST BE MINUTE MAN OR EQUAL. ANCHOR AND ANCHOR HEAD MUST HAVE AN ULTIMATE STRENGTH EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN 4725 LBS. FOR 12, 14 & 16 WIDE.

2. ANCHOR BOLTS (REGARDLESS OF ZONING) MUST START NO FURTHER THAN 2'-0" FROM EACH END OF HOME.

3. IF ANCHOR IS INSERTED VERTICALLY, A CONCRETE COLLAR OR STABILIZING DEVICE MUST BE USED AT THE GROUND LINE. SEE FIG. 4-5 & 4-6.

4. EACH OF THE STRAPS AND CONNECTIONS TO THE I-BEAM MUST HAVE AN ULTIMATE STRENGTH OF 4725 LBS. SEE FIG. 4-8 THROUGH 4-12.

5. REFER TO CHART 8 FOR ZONE 1 AND ZONE 2 MAXIMUM STRAP SPACING FOR THIS ANCHORING SYSTEM.

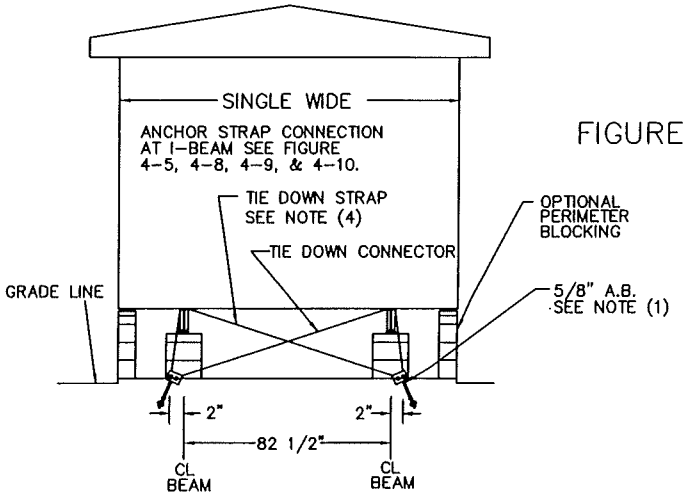

FIGURE 4-2

MAXIMUM ANCHOR SPACING (VERTICAL) 82 1/2" I-BEAM CENTERS

CHART 4-2

MAXIMUM PIER HEIGHT	12 WIDE UNITS		14 WIDE UNITS		16 WIDE UNITS	
ZONE 1 & 2	ZONE # 1	ZONE # 2	ZONE # 1	ZONE # 2	ZONE # 1	ZONE # 2
25 1/2"	15 ft.	9 ft.	15 ft.	9 ft.	15 ft.	9 ft.
33 1/2"	15 ft.	8 ft.	15 ft.	8 ft.	15 ft.	8 ft.
41 1/2"	14 ft.	8 ft.	14 ft.	8 ft.	14 ft.	8 ft.
49 1/2"	13 ft.	8 ft.	13 ft.	8 ft.	13 ft.	8 ft.
57 1/2"	13 ft.	7 ft.	13 ft.	7 ft.	13 ft.	7 ft.

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GENERAL NOTES

1. THE ANCHOR MUST BE MINUTE MAN OR EQUAL. ANCHOR AND ANCHOR HEAD MUST HAVE AN ULTIMATE STRENGTH EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN 4898 LBS. FOR 12 WIDE, 5226 LBS. FOR 14 WIDE AND 5440 LBS. FOR 16 WIDE.
2. ANCHOR BOLTS (REGARDLESS OF ZONING) MUST START NO FURTHER THAN 2'-0" FROM EACH END OF HOME.
3. IF ANCHOR IS INSERTED VERTICALLY, A CONCRETE COLLAR OR STABILIZING DEVICE MUST BE USED AT THE GROUND LINE. SEE FIG. 4-5 & 4-6.
4. EACH OF THE STRAPS AND CONNECTIONS TO THE I-BEAM MUST HAVE AN ULTIMATE STRENGTH OF 4725 LBS. SEE FIG. 4-8 THROUGH 4-12.
5. REFER TO CHART 9 FOR ZONE 1 AND ZONE 2 MAXIMUM STRAP SPACING FOR THIS ANCHORING SYSTEM.

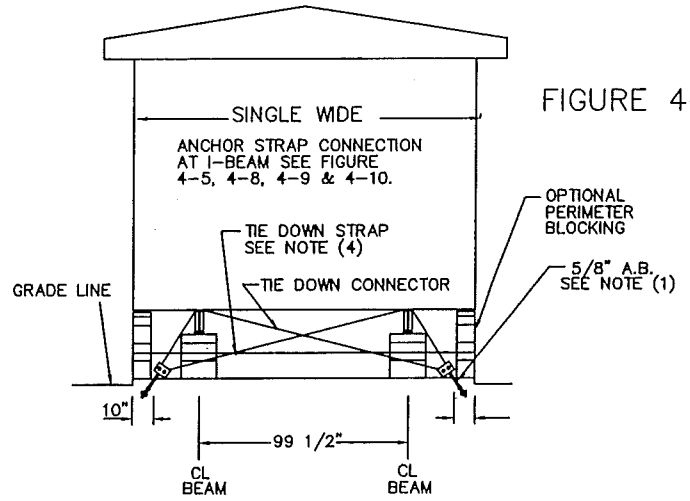

FIGURE 4-3

MAXIMUM ANCHOR SPACING (DIAGONAL) 99 1/2" I-BEAM CENTERS

CHART 4-3

MAXIMUM PIER HEIGHT	12 WIDE UNITS		14 WIDE UNITS		16 WIDE UNITS	
ZONE 1 & 2	ZONE # 1	ZONE # 2	ZONE # 1	ZONE # 2	ZONE # 1	ZONE # 2
25 1/2"	20 ft.	11 ft.	24 ft.	9 ft.	25 ft.	8 ft.
33 1/2"	19 ft.	11 ft.	22 ft.	9 ft.	25 ft.	8 ft.
41 1/2"	18 ft.	10 ft.	21 ft.	10 ft.	23 ft.	9 ft.
49 1/2"	17 ft.	9 ft.	20 ft.	10 ft.	22 ft.	9 ft.
57 1/2"	16 ft.	9 ft.	19 ft.	10 ft.	21 ft.	9 ft.

GENERAL NOTES

1. THE ANCHOR MUST BE MINUTE MAN OR EQUAL. ANCHOR AND ANCHOR HEAD MUST HAVE AN ULTIMATE STRENGTH EQUAL TO OR GREATER THAN 4725 LBS. FOR 12, 14 & 16 WIDE.
2. ANCHOR BOLTS (REGARDLESS OF ZONING) MUST START NO FURTHER THAN 2'-0" FROM EACH END OF HOME.
3. IF ANCHOR IS INSERTED VERTICALLY, A CONCRETE COLLAR OR STABILIZING DEVICE MUST BE USED AT THE GROUND LINE. SEE FIG. 4-5 & 4-6.
4. EACH OF THE STRAPS AND CONNECTIONS TO THE I-BEAM MUST HAVE AN ULTIMATE STRENGTH OF 4725 LBS. SEE FIG. 4-8 THROUGH 4-12.
5. REFER TO CHART 10 FOR ZONE 1 AND ZONE 2 MAXIMUM STRAP SPACING FOR THIS ANCHORING SYSTEM.

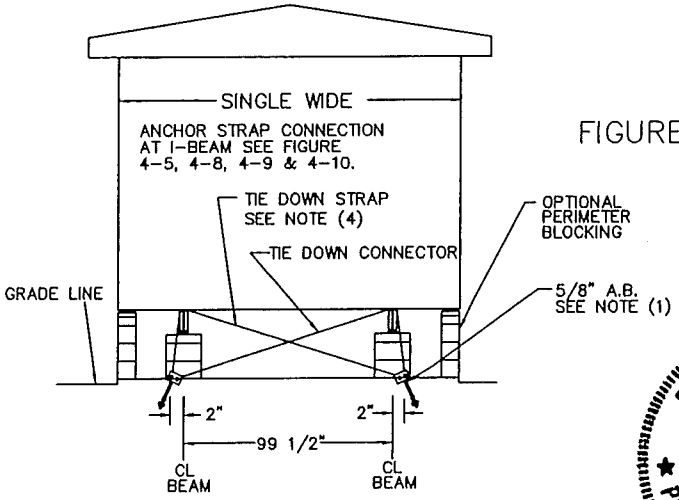

FIGURE 4-4

MAXIMUM ANCHOR SPACING (VERTICAL) 99 1/2" I-BEAM CENTERS

CHART 4-4

MAXIMUM PIER HEIGHT	12 WIDE UNITS		14 WIDE UNITS		16 WIDE UNITS	
ZONE 1 & 2	ZONE # 1	ZONE # 2	ZONE # 1	ZONE # 2	ZONE # 1	ZONE # 2
25 1/2"	16 ft.	9 ft.	16 ft.	9 ft.	16 ft.	9 ft.
33 1/2"	15 ft.	9 ft.	15 ft.	9 ft.	15 ft.	9 ft.
41 1/2"	15 ft.	8 ft.	15 ft.	8 ft.	15 ft.	8 ft.
49 1/2"	14 ft.	8 ft.	14 ft.	8 ft.	14 ft.	8 ft.
57 1/2"	14 ft.	8 ft.	14 ft.	8 ft.	14 ft.	8 ft.

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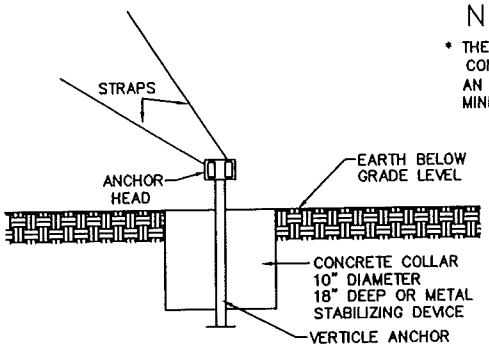
NOTES:

* THE TIE STRAP AND CONNECTORS MUST HAVE AN ULTIMATE STRENGTH MINIMUM OF 4725 LBS.



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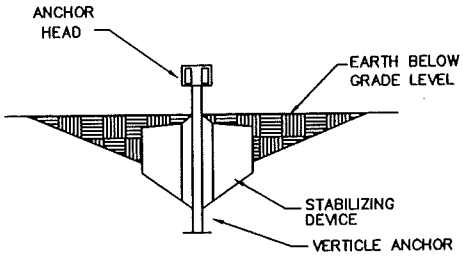

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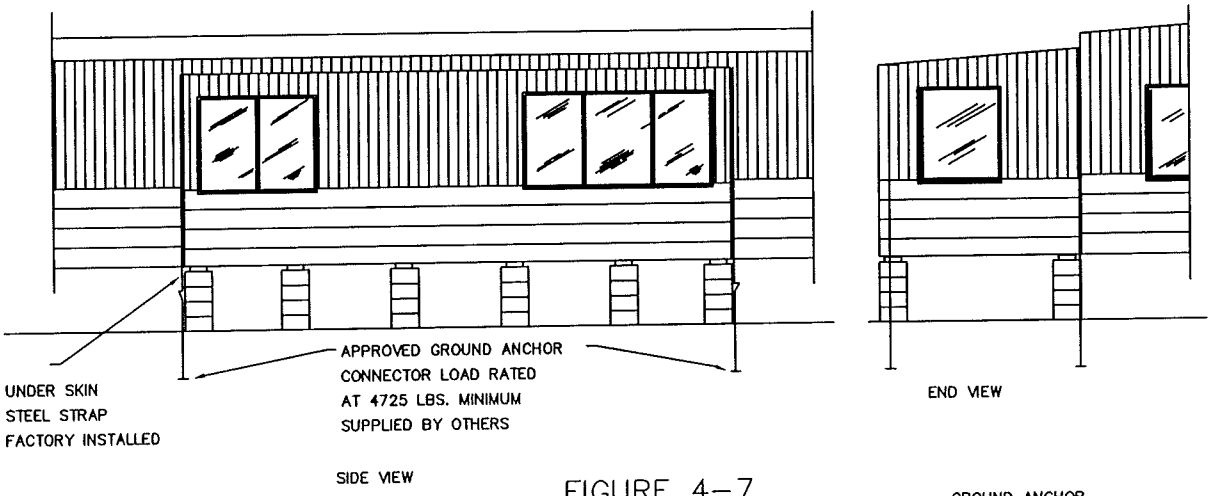

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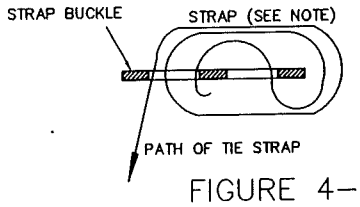

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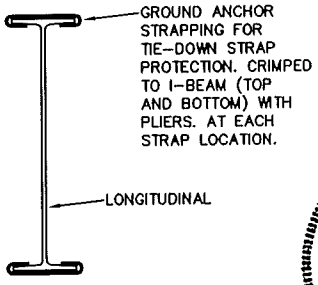

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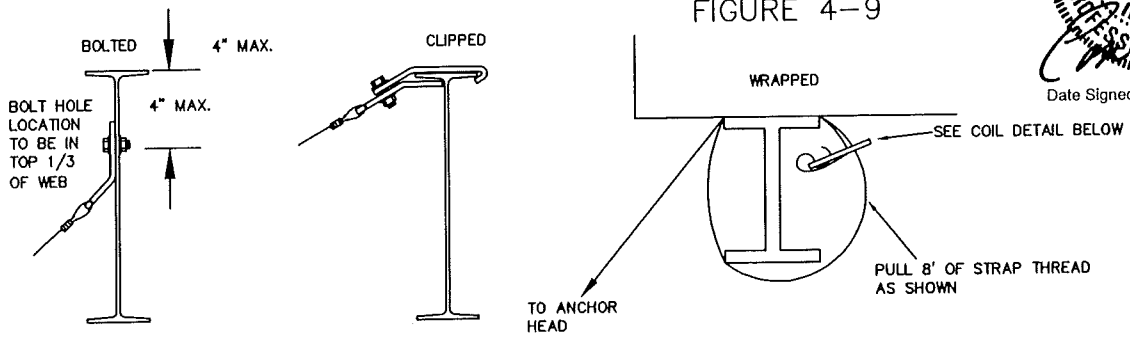
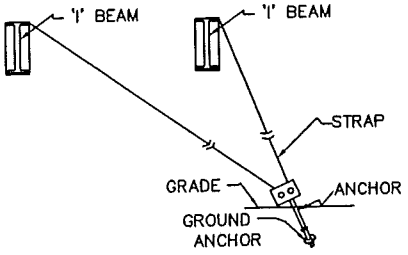


FIGURE 4–10

NOTE:
ANCHOR BOLT ONLY TO BE USED WITH CONCRETE PAD. GROUND SCREW ANCHOR (SHOWN BELOW) IS TO BE USED FOR ALL OTHER APPLICATIONS FOLLOWING THE MANUFACTURER'S RECOMENDATIONS AND CONTINGENT UPON LOCAL SOIL CONDITIONS



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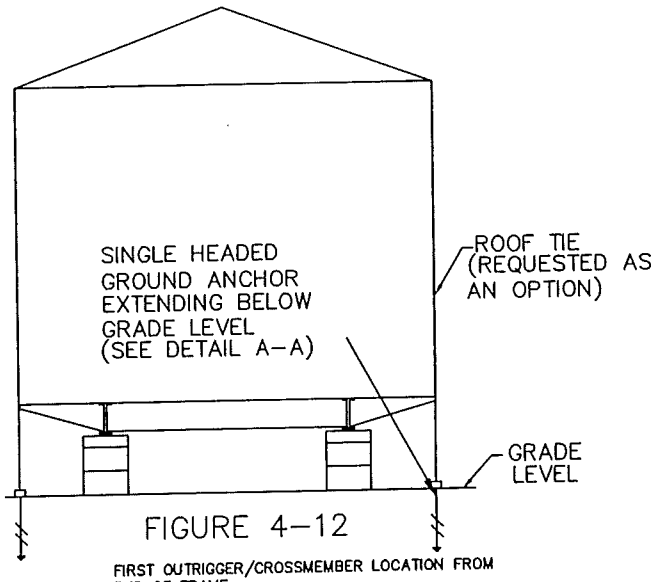

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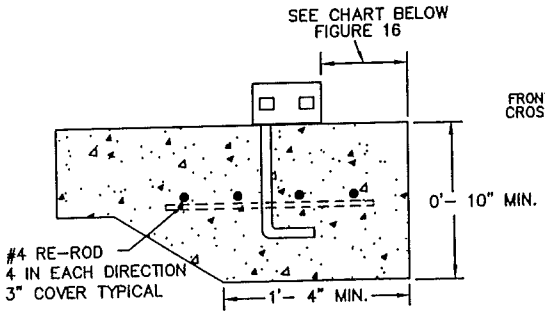

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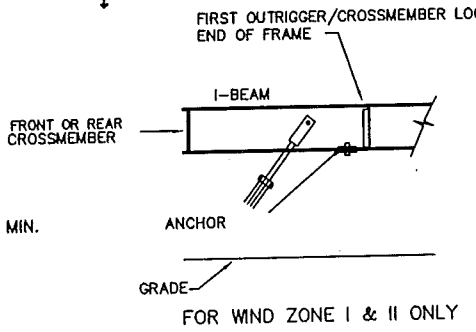

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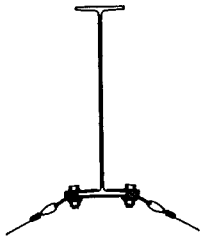

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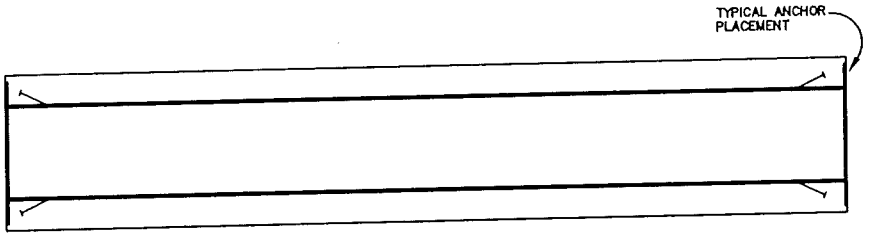

LONGITUDINAL TIE–DOWN SPACING FOR 11', 12', 14', 16' WIDE HOMES.

FIGURE 4–16

CHART 4–5

LONGITUDINAL TIE–DOWN SPACING FOR ROOF SLOPES LESS THAN 4.36/12 (20°) ONLY			
SIDEWALL HEIGHT	PIER HEIGHT	ANCHOR SPACING NOT TO EXCEED	
		ZONE–I	ZONE–II
7.5 FT	25 1/2 IN	13 FT	7.7 FT
7.5 FT	33 1/2 IN	12 FT	7.4 FT
7.5 FT	41 1/2 IN	12 FT	7.1 FT
7.5 FT	49 1/2 IN	11 FT	6.7 FT
7.5 FT	57 1/2 IN	11 FT	6.4 FT
8.0 FT	25 1/2 IN	12 FT	7.3 FT
8.0 FT	33 1/2 IN	12 FT	7.0 FT
8.0 FT	41 1/2 IN	11 FT	6.7 FT
8.0 FT	49 1/2 IN	11 FT	6.4 FT
8.0 FT	57 1/2 IN	10 FT	6.0 FT

CHART 4–6

LONGITUDINAL TIE–DOWN SPACING FOR ROOF SLOPES TO 5/12			
SIDEWALL HEIGHT	PIER HEIGHT	ANCHOR SPACING NOT TO EXCEED	
		ZONE–I	ZONE–II
7.5 FT	25 1/2 IN	12 FT	7.0 FT
7.5 FT	33 1/2 IN	11 FT	6.7 FT
7.5 FT	41 1/2 IN	11 FT	6.4 FT
7.5 FT	49 1/2 IN	10 FT	6.1 FT
7.5 FT	57 1/2 IN	10 FT	5.8 FT
8.0 FT	25 1/2 IN	11 FT	6.7 FT
8.0 FT	33 1/2 IN	11 FT	6.4 FT
8.0 FT	41 1/2 IN	10 FT	6.1 FT
8.0 FT	49 1/2 IN	10 FT	5.8 FT
8.0 FT	57 1/2 IN	9 FT	5.5 FT

Date Signed: July 21, 2004

MINUTE MAN ANCHORS			
MODEL	DESCRIPTION	USE ON SOIL TYPE	DEPTH OF EMBEDMENT
650–DH 5/8	DOUBLE HEAD, EARTH AUGER ANCHOR	2,3,4	48"
650–DH 3/4	DOUBLE HEAD, EARTH AUGER ANCHOR	2,3,4	48"
650–DH 11/16	DOUBLE HEAD, EARTH AUGER ANCHOR	2,3,4	48"
210–PDH	DOUBLE HEAD TENISON DEVICE FOR CONRETE	SLAB	6"

CHART 4–7

SOIL TYPE FOR ANCHOR EMBEDMENT	
1.	SOUND HARD ROCK
2.	VERY–DENSE AND/OR CEMENTED SANDS, COARSE GRAVEL AND COBBLES, PRELOADED SILTS, CLAYS, AND CORALS. (PROBE TORQUE VALUE RANGE–GREATER THAN 550 INCH POUNDS).
3.	MEDIUM–DENSE COARSE SANDS, SANDY GRAVELS, VERY–STIFF SILTS AND CLAYS. (PROBE TORQUE VALUE RANGE– 350–550 INCH POUNDS).
4.	LOOSE TO MEDIUM DENSE SANDS, FIRM TO STIFF CLAYS AND SILTS, ALUVIAN FILL. (PROBE TORQUE VALUE RANGE– 200–349 INCH POUNDS).

CHART 4–8

NOTE:

IT IS NOT THE INTENT OF THIS COMPANY TO LIMIT THE GROUND ANCHORING EQUIPMENT TO THAT LISTED ABOVE. ALTERNATE GROUND ANCHOR EQUIPMENT MAY BE USED AS LONG AS THE EQUIPMENT CAN BE SHOWN TO COMPLY WITH DESIGN CRITERIA PARAGRAPH NUMBER 4–2.5, FOUND EARLIER IN THIS MANUAL. IN ALL CASES, THE LOCAL SOIL CONDITIONS MUST BE CAPABLE OF HOLDING THE ANCHORS USED.

INSTALLATION NOTES

MISCELLANEOUS, OPTIONS, CONNECTIONS, AND INFORMATION

MISCELLANEOUS OPTIONS, CONNECTIONS, AND INFORMATION

5-1 Central Air Conditioning

5-1.1 If your home was not provided with an air conditioning or make-ready-for-air-conditioning option and you want to install a central air conditioning system, you must first consult the Heating and Cooling Design Basis Certificate, Comfort Cooling section to determine whether your home has been constructed with an air distribution system designed for use with central air conditioning. This certificate is part of the Compliance Certificate which is located on a wall in the master bedroom clothes closet.

5-2 Self-contained Air Conditioning Unit

5-2.1 If a self-contained central air conditioning unit is to be used (separate from the furnace) an automatic damper to prevent cooled air from blowing up into the furnace will have to be installed in the furnace base. Depending on the furnace installed in your home, this damper may already have been installed at the factory, or in some cases, the furnace may be of a type which is labeled as suitable for use with air conditioning without such a damper. In addition, the ducts carrying cooled air from the air conditioning unit into the home and return air from the home to the air conditioning unit (See Figure 5-1), must contain dampers or be installed in such a way so that when the furnace runs, heated air does not blow through these ducts into the air conditioning unit.

5-2.2 A combination heating/cooling thermostat will also have to be installed to prevent simultaneous operation of the furnace and the air conditioner.

5-2.3 The duct carrying cooled air from the air conditioner to the home should be connected to the bottom of the main duct located in the floor of the home. The connection should be located so that an equal number of floor registers are on each side of the connection. The floor joists within the floor of the home should not be notched or cut into in any way when installing the air conditioner supply duct.

5-2.4 A duct carrying return air from the home back to the air conditioning unit will be necessary. The return air register should be located so that air passage is not restricted, and it should be located between the floor joists within the floor. The floor joists must not be notched or cut into in any way when installing the return air duct.

5-2.5 The connection of the flexible duct to the heat duct within the floor sections of the home must be properly supported to avoid stress on the heat duct and the connection thereto. The flexible ducts must also be supported above the surface of the ground.

5-3 Split System Air Conditioning Unit

5-3.1 If a split system (a system having an A-coil in the furnace and an external condensing unit) is installed, it must be listed for use with the heating equipment installed in this home. It may be necessary to change the furnace blower when installing this type of system.

5-4 General A/C Power Supply

NOTICE

ELECTRICAL CONNECTIONS MADE TO ENERGIZE AIR CONDITIONING EQUIPMENT SHOULD BE MADE ONLY BY QUALIFIED PERSONNEL. THE COMPLETED INSTALLATION MUST CONFORM TO ARTICLE 440 OF THE NATIONAL ELECTRIC CODE AND APPLICABLE LOCAL CODES.

5-4.1 Branch circuits installed at the factory for the purpose of energizing air conditioning or heat pump equipment will have a junction box located on the bottom side of the home. A data plate will be placed on the side of the home adjacent to this box outlining the maximum full load ampere draw for the indicated branch circuit. In installing air conditioning or heat pump equipment, do not exceed the indicated circuit rating. See Figure 5-2.

5-4.2 When the electrical connection is made via a junction box beneath the home, the field installation wiring beyond the junction box must incorporate a fused disconnect (size in accordance with NEC Article 440) located within sight of the condensing unit. The maximum fuse size to be used with the disconnect is marked on the condenser data plate.

5-4.3 When the electrical connection is made for air conditioning or heat pump equipment for which a branch circuit was not provided at the time of manufacture of the home, the connection must be

made via a branch circuit originating at a power source outside the home.

5-4.4 In all cases, the installation of air conditioning or heat pump equipment must be in accordance with the manufacturer's written installation instructions. The acceptability of the air conditioning equipment, rating and location of the disconnect, fused type branch circuit protection, and connections to the equipment are to be determined by the local inspection authorities.

5-5 Fireplaces

5-5.1 If your home is equipped with a built-in fireplace, it will be necessary to complete the installation of the round top assembly, rain cap, spark arrestor, and chimney pipe. See Figure 5-3.

5-5.2 Install the storm collar over the roof flashing. The storm collar must rest on top of the flashing spacers. Install the tabs through the slot on the opposite end of the storm collar and push storm collar down over the chimney so that it rests on the roof flashing. Pull the tab to tighten the storm collar against the chimney pipe. Seal top edge of storm collar with non-combustible waterproof sealant. See Figure 5-4.

5-5.3 Install remaining section of chimney pipe and contemporary cap.

NOTE

THE CHIMNEY OUTLET LOCATED INSIDE THE CONTEMPORARY CAP ASSEMBLY MUST EXTEND AT LEAST 3 FEET ABOVE THE POINT WHERE THE CHIMNEY EXITS THE ROOF AND BE AT LEAST 2 FEET ABOVE THE HIGHEST POINT WITHIN 10 FEET OF THE CHIMNEY.

5-5.4 Do not attempt to use the fireplace until the installation of the fireplace flue has been completed. Make certain that all the temporary weather protection has been removed and the pipe is open.

5-5.5 Follow the manufacturer's instructions provided with your fireplace to install chimney pipe connections along with general hints and maintenance to care for your fireplace.

5-5.6 Do not block any portion of the vented area of the round top assembly

5-6 Furnace Roof Jack

5-6.1 The furnace roof jack for your home may have been shipped loose to comply with transportation height requirements. A warning tag may be attached to the fuel supply line, the furnace, and the furnace thermostat if the furnace roof jack was shipped loose. The furnace roof jack and instructions for the installation of the roof jack are provided with your home.

WARNING

THE FURNACE ROOF JACK MUST BE INSTALLED BEFORE THE FURNACE IS OPERATED.

5-6.2 If the home has a high-efficiency furnace installed, the air intake pipe and the exhaust pipe may need to be extended to complete the installation. Piping assemblies have been provided (see Figure 5-13) and are to be installed as follows: 1.) Match air intake and exhaust pipe assemblies to pipes extending above the roof surface. Exhaust pipe has a male end; intake has a female end. (coupler) 2.) Make certain pipe ends are clean and free of burrs inside and outside at the mating surface. 3.) Apply ABS pipe cement inside the hub and around the outside of the mating pipe. 4.) Slip pipe assemblies over the extensions, pressing down until fully engaged, and turn the pipe ¼ turn, making certain to end in the desired position.

5-6.3 If this home is installed in an area which receives large amounts of snow fall, the flue piping on the furnace may need to be extended to ensure an adequate amount of combustion air. Flue pipe extensions are available from the furnace manufacturer and their service centers. To extend the flue, the termination cap is removed, the extension installed and the termination cap reinstalled. Exact instructions are supplied by the furnace manufacture with each extension and must be followed exactly.

5-7 Optional Dryer Venting Installation

5-7.1 A gas or electric clothes dryer installed in the home must be exhausted to the outside by a moisture lint exhaust duct and termination fittings.

CAUTION

DRYER EXHAUST SYSTEM MUST NOT TERMINATE UNDERNEATH THE HOME.

5-7.2 An access panel is located in the dryer area to provide access to the dryer end of the duct system. See Figures 5-5 and 5-6.

5-7.3 Access to rough-in from outside may be located on the bottom side of the floor or on an exterior wall. See Figure 5-5.

5-7.4 The exhaust system shall be completed on site as shown with materials provided by the owner. See Figures 5-5 and 5-6.

5-7.5 Exhaust duct and termination fittings must be listed by an approved testing agency or certified as components of the dryer.

CAUTION

THE FACTORY-INSTALLED CLOTHES DRYER ELECTRICAL CIRCUIT IS SUPPLIED BY A CABLE CONTAINING 4 ELECTRICAL CONDUCTORS AND TERMINATES WITH A 4-PRONG RECEPTACLE. DO NOT CHANGE THE 4-PRONG RECEPTACLE TO A 3-PRONG RECEPTACLE. PURCHASE A 4-PRONG APPLIANCE CORD AND INSTALL IT ON YOUR DRYER.

5-8 Installation of Accessories

5-8.1 If additional decorative or functional accessories are to be attached to your home such as utility buildings, carports, skirting, and awnings, the following practices must be observed:

5-8.2 Read carefully and follow the instructions for any supplemental accessory which are provided by the manufacturer of such accessory. Always check to determine that the installation conforms to applicable building codes.

5-8.3 If direct attachment to the home is necessitated, make certain that solid structural members are behind the attachment point. In the event a carport or awning is being installed, it should be attached only along the top of the wall or the edge of the roof. Proper size fasteners should always be used, and interlocking parts should be carefully fitted.

5-8.4 In installing carports, awning rails, or small storage buildings, select a unit that is designed with support columns which will carry its own weight. As little weight as possible should be attached to the home itself.

5-8.5 The foundation system for any structure attached to the home must be equal to the foundation system for the home. If the foundations are not equal, frost heave or settling cold occur at different rates. This unequal movement can result in structural damage or lost weather seals which will promote air and water infiltration.

5-8.6 All joints created by attaching accessories to the home should be properly sealed with weather-stripping and covered, if possible, with molding or flashing. Attaching fasteners should be caulked or sealed. All holes or openings necessitated in the walls or roof of the home should be covered and sealed to insure against leakage.

CAUTION

MODIFICATIONS OR ALTERATIONS OF YOUR HOME MAY MAR ITS APPEARANCE AND WEAKEN IT STRUCTURALLY WHICH COULD VOID YOUR WARRANTY RIGHTS.

5-9 Light Fixture and Ceiling Fan Installation

5-9.1 Some light fixtures and ceiling fans may not be installed when the home is built because of possible damage to the fixture while the home is being moved. These fixtures include exterior lights, ceiling fans, and chain hung interior fixtures. When installed, all fixtures must be grounded either by a fixture mounting screw or a fixture grounding conductor. In the case of a chain hung fixture, both are required. Typical installations are shown in Figures 5-7, 5-8, and 5-9.

5-9.2 The mounting bracket for ceiling fans must not be fastened to the electrical box for support unless the electrical box is listed for that purpose and the total supported weight is not greater than 35 pounds. See Figure 5-10 for fan support independent of the electrical box.

5-10 Evaporative Cooler Make Ready

5-10.1 Some homes have been made ready for the installation of evaporative coolers. The roof structure has been reinforced and a capped duct opening provided. The cooling unit must be installed per its manufacturer installation instructions and a water line with shut off valve provided.

5-10.2 The electrical connection must be made at the junction box provided in the duct (See Figure 5-11) or on the roof (See Figure 5-12) in accordance with the requirements of the National Electric Code.

5-10.3 A water overflow hose must be provided to allow the water from the accumulation pan under the cooler coils a pathway away from the home. Do not allow the water to run across the roof and down the side of the home.

5-11 Relocation of Home

5-11.1 In the event that the home is to be relocated, the installation process will need to be reversed to make the home ready for transportation. Earlier in this instruction you were made aware to "take special note of temporary structural supports and bracing locations, as they must be reinstalled for any secondary movement." These supports and braces must be reinstalled for a proper secondary movement. Failure to do so could cause the structure of the home to be damaged.

5-11.2 Refer to Section E in your Homeowners Manual for more information on moving regarding the inspection of road gear, packing, overloading, and routing.

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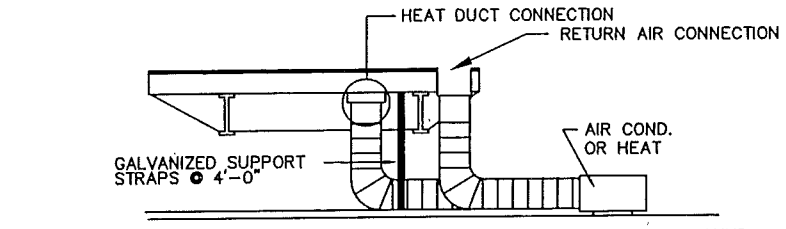
REMOTE AIR OR HEATING



NOTE: NOT IN ANY INSTANCE SHOULD THE DUCT MAKE CONTACT WITH THE GROUND.

FIGURE 5-1

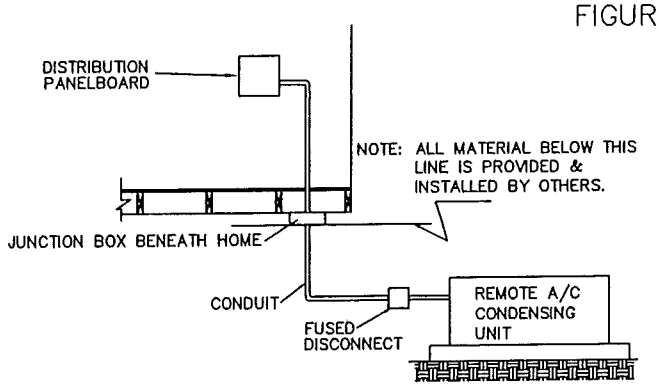


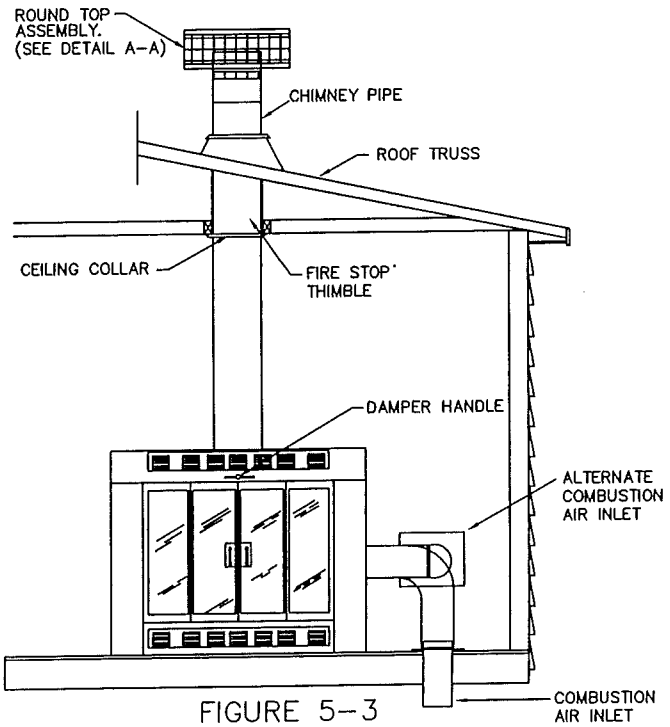
FIGURE 5-2

SPECIAL NOTES

(1) FACTORY INSTALLED CIRCUIT HAS BEEN SIZED FOR A MAXIMUM WIRE AMPACITY OF 40 AMPS. & HAS AN OVERCURRENT PROTECTION DEVICE RATED AT 30 AMPS.

(2) THIS CIRCUIT MAY NEED ADJUSTMENT ACCORDING TO THE AMPACITY OF THE A/C UNIT INSTALLED.

(3) REFER TO THE NATIONAL ELECTRIC CODE & THE AIR CONDITIONER INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS.



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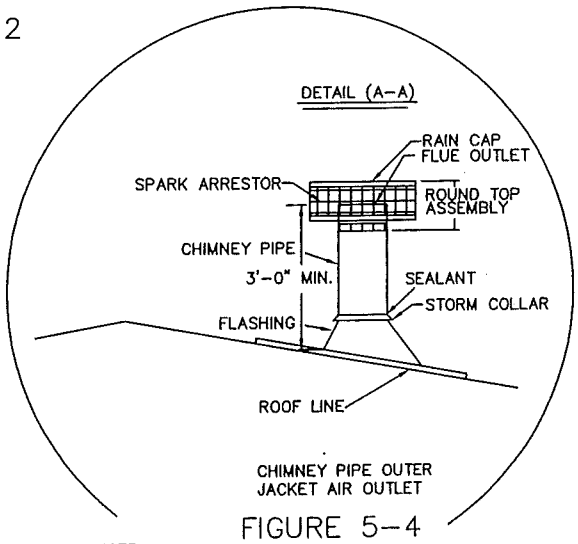
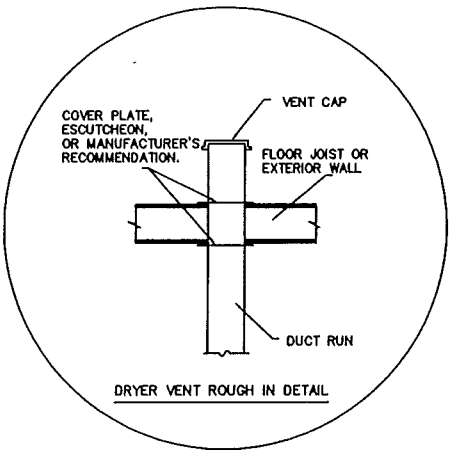
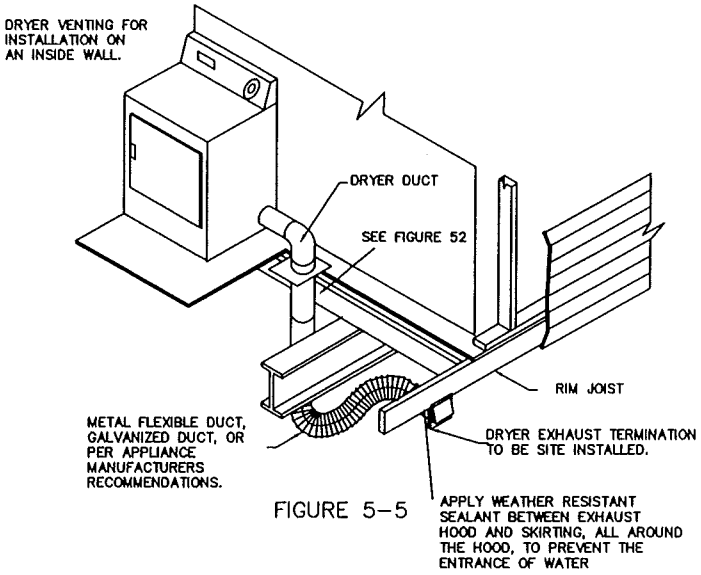


FIGURE 5-4

NOTE
THE CHIMNEY TERMINATION HEIGHT IS DETERMINED BY THE LOCATION OF THE FIREPLACE IN THE HOME. THE MINIMUM CLEARANCES ARE AS FOOLLOWS.

- TERMINATION MUST BE ATLEAST 3-FEET ABOVE THE HIGHEST POINT ON THE ROOF THROUGH WHICH THE FLUE PASSES.
- IF THE CENTER OF THE FLUE-PIPE IS WITHIN 10-FEET OF THE PEAK, THE FLUE MUST TERMINATE ALEAST 2-FEET ABOVE THE PEAK.
- IF THE CENTER OF THE FLUE-PIPE IS FARTHER THAN 10-FEET FROM THE PEAK, THE FLUE MUST TERMINATE 2-FEET ABOVE THE HIGHEST PORTION OF THE ROOF WITHIN 10-FEET.





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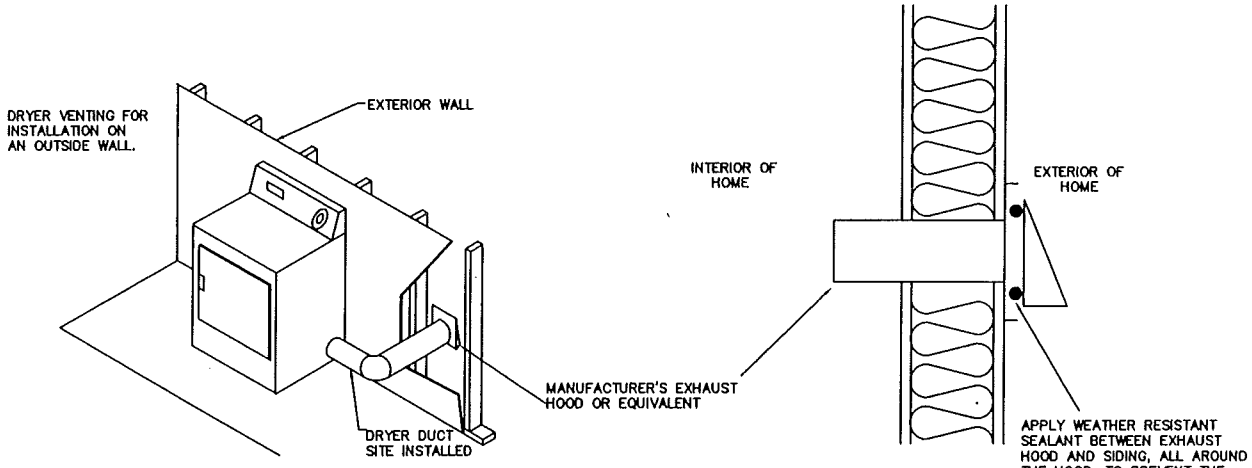

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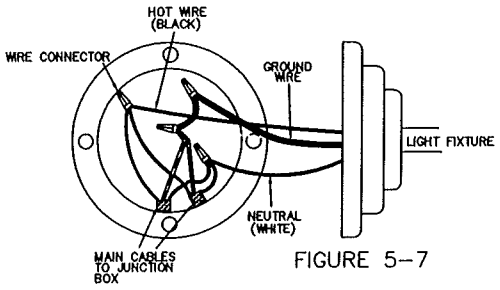

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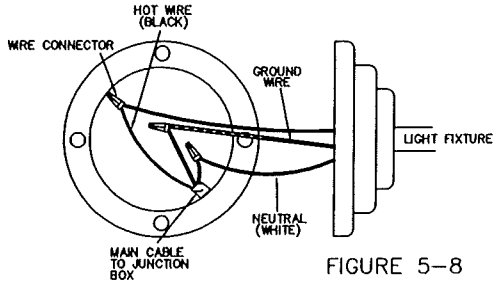

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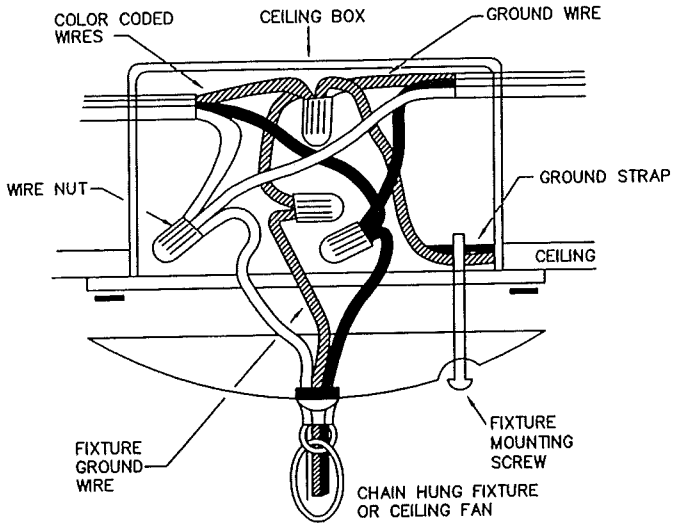

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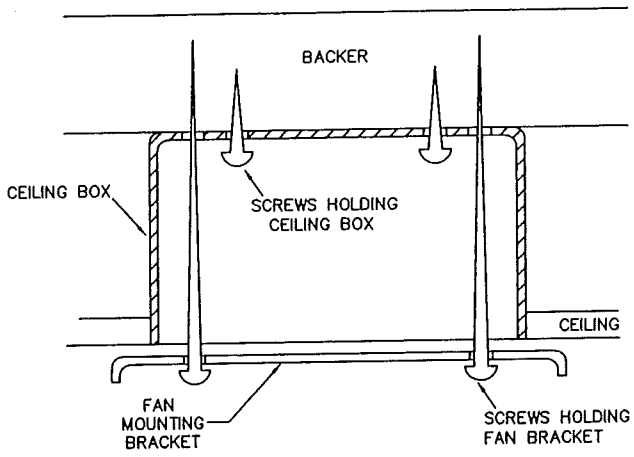
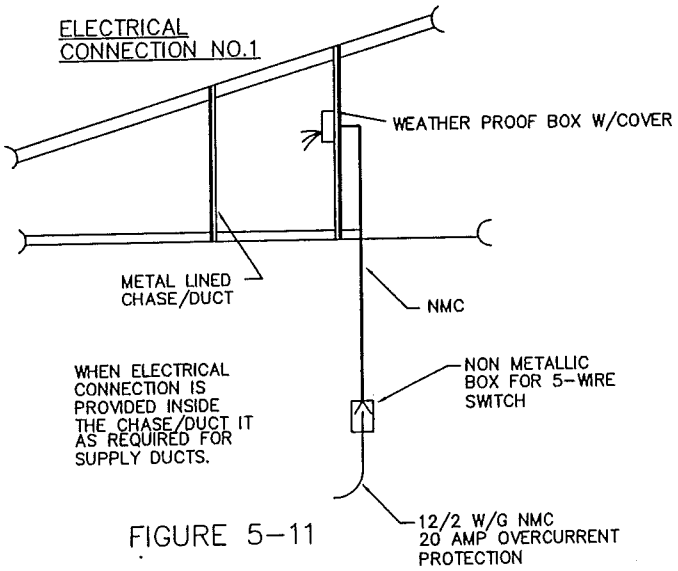


1. USE (2)TWO #8 SCREWS TO HOLD BOX TO BACKER.
2. USE (2)TWO #8 SCREWS TO HOLD BRACKET TO THE BACKER THROUGH THE BOX.
3. BOX MUST NOT SUPPORT BRACKET.
4. FAN BRACKET GROUND CONDUCTOR MUST CONNECT TO CIRCUIT GROUNDING CONDUCTOR.

FIGURE 5-10



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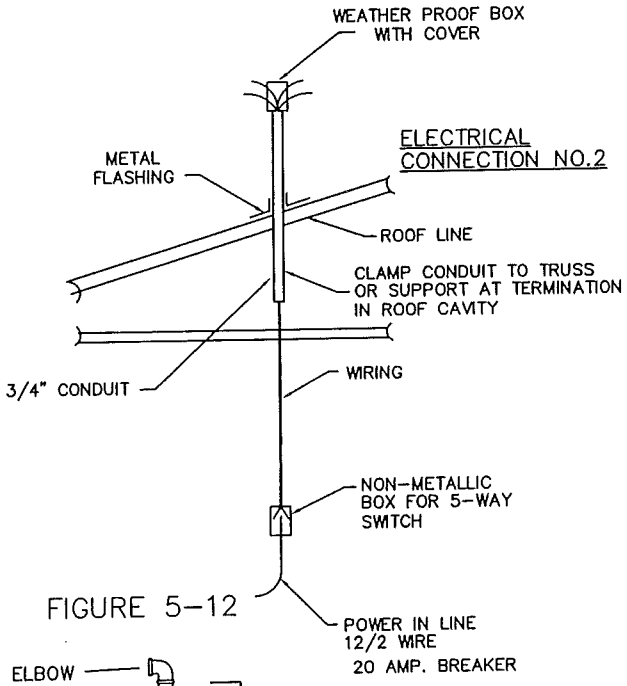

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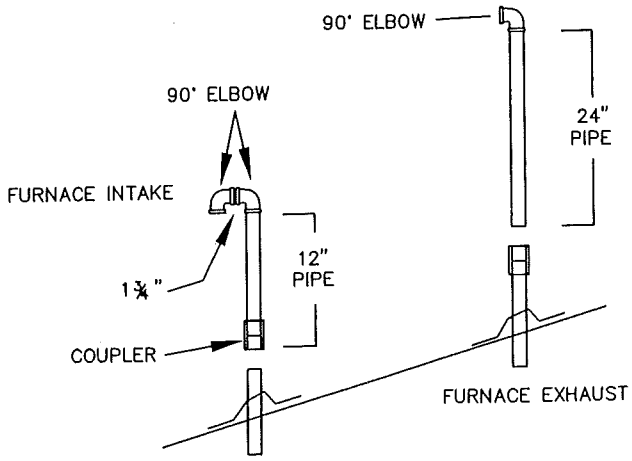

FIGURE 5-13

FINAL INSPECTION

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After your home has been completely installed, a final inspection should be made to insure that no items have been overlooked which could cause a problem. Special emphasis should be placed on the following items:

6-1 Exterior Siding and Trim

6-1.1 A thorough check should be made of all portions of the exterior siding to make certain that it is not cracked or split, buckled, or loose in any manner. Any siding observed to be in this condition should be repaired or replaced. All fasteners that are loose should be retightened or replaced. All decorative trim pieces or molding strips, including molding along the edge of the roof, should have special attention to make certain there are no gaps or voids in the sealant tapes or caulking material. If any such places are observed, they should be resealed.

6-2 Roofs

6-2.1 The roof must be checked to make certain that all vent, flue and intake flashings are firmly in place. That the roof ventilators, flue pipes, exhaust vents, and air intakes have not become damaged or loosened in transit or installation. That any eave or gable extensions have been soundly installed and that any ridge vent and/or shingle ridge cap is firmly in place.

6-2.2 In certain areas of the shingled roof, protective materials may have been fastened in place to protect the shingles from the affects of transportation. When these materials have been removed, it will be necessary to remove all the fasteners and fill the resultant holes with asphalt plastic roof cement. Further, while it is recognized that the seal tabs on the shingles will need a few warm days to completely seal down, any problem area can be sealed by placing a small amount of asphalt plastic roof cement under each end of the tab and pressing down firmly.

6-3 Clearances

6-3.1 If there are any low-hanging trees or bushes adjacent to your home which could damage the exterior or the roof, they should be trimmed or cut accordingly. Future growth of these bushes or trees should be considered in connection with their possible movement during wind conditions or under snow or ice loads.

6-4 Caulking and/or Sealers

6-4.1 There are many good brands of caulking material and roof sealers which can be purchased from local retail stores. Whatever brand of caulking and/or sealer is purchased, the instructions regarding application should be read closely. This will include any special preparation of the surface to be coated. Observe the labeling on this material for any notes concerning resistance to running or streaking the sides of the home. This can be very unsightly and, in many cases, extremely difficult to remove. Special detergents or etching agents may be required in some cases to clean the metal surfaces on which caulking or sealers are to be applied. Again, the manufacturer's instructions should be followed to the detail to prevent damaging roof and side metals.

6-5 Egress Windows

6-5.1 An egress window is provided for each bedroom and a label is located on the window to identify it and to provide opening instructions. The egress windows must be checked to assure that all shipping clips on screens, storm windows, and other appurtenances are removed so that quick and safe exit is possible. Check the window to assure it opens properly.

6-6 Exterior Doors and Storms

6-6.1 Exterior doors are provided with door plungers and chain stops. Doors must be checked to ensure that these items have been installed and adjusted.

6-7 Winter Precautions

6-7.1 In the event you elect to vacate your home during the winter months, care should be taken to ensure that adverse weather conditions will not damage your home.

6-7.2 Follow the procedures listed in the Utility Systems section to properly drain your water system and add antifreeze to your P-traps at all locations.

6-7.3 The heat should be left on to maintain a temperature that will not allow the build-up of moisture and the growth of mold. Moisture build-up can cause swelling or warping of materials and furnishings.

6-7.4 Provisions should also be made to inspect the home on a weekly basis to ensure that the skirting ventilators are open and not snow-covered and to remove any ice and snow build-up along the eaves, as stated in the Home Owners Manual, to prevent the water created by melting ice and snow from backing up under the shingles or entering the home by other means.

6-8 High Wind Precautions

6-8.1 Homes located in Wind Zone II may occasionally be subjected to high winds. In the event of a high wind, you may wish to protect your primary windows, patio doors and entrance doors against the pressures created by the high winds. If you have not already installed storm shutters, these areas may be protected by a covering of plywood fastened to the wall studs, around the window or door frames with wood screws. Any joints in the plywood at patio door openings will need to be secured by fastening a 2 x 4 to each side of the plywood to stiffen the joint. When the plywood is removed the screw holes must be filled with a high quality silicone caulk. Such caulking is available at local retail stores.

6-8.2 Receiving devices, sleeves or anchors for fasteners to be used to secure shutters or other type of manufactured protective covers to the exterior walls at window and door locations have not been provided with this home.

6-8.3 When the wind force is high enough to require the protection of your windows and doors as described above, it is recommended that you seek shelter away from the path of the storm or in specifically designated shelter.

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