



Plano, Texas

Effective Date: September 1, 2003 (Permit Applications Received on or after this date)

To All Builders:

In an effort to better serve our citizens and allow more flexibility for our customers, the City of Plano is now requiring an affidavit from builders assuring that new construction meets or exceeds the 2009 IRC requirements for protection against termites. The affidavit should be completed and sent to our office before the Final Building Inspection is scheduled.

The Code references are as follows:

**SECTION R318
PROTECTION AGAINST SUBTERRANEAN TERMITES**

R318.1 Subterranean termite control. In areas favorable to termite damage as established by Table R301.2(1), methods of protection shall be by chemical soil treatment, pressure preservatively treated wood in accordance with the AWWA standards listed in Section R318.3, naturally termite-resistant wood or physical barriers (such as metal or plastic termite shields), or any combination of these methods.

R318.1.1 Quality mark. Lumber and plywood required to be pressure preservatively treated in accordance with section R320.1, shall bear the quality mark of an approved inspection agency which maintains continuing supervision, testing and inspection over the quality of the product and which has been approved by an accreditation body which complies with the requirements of the American Lumber Standard Committee treated wood program.

R318.2 Chemical soil treatment. The concentration, rate of application and treatment method of the termiticide shall be consistent with and never less than the termiticide label.

R318.1.2 Field treatment. Field cut ends, notches and drilled holes of pressure preservatively treated wood shall be retreated in the field in accordance with AWWA M4.

R318.4 Foam plastic protection. In areas where the probability of termite infestation is “very heavy” as indicated in Figure R301.2(6), extruded and expanded polystyrene, polyisocyanurate and other foam plastics shall not be installed on the exterior face or under interior or exterior foundation walls or slab foundations located below grade. The clearance between foam plastics installed above grade and exposed earth shall be at least 6 inches (152 mm).

Exceptions:

1. Buildings where the structural members of walls, floors, ceilings and roofs are entirely of noncombustible materials or pressure preservatively treated wood.
2. When in addition to the requirements of R320.1, an approved method of protecting the foam plastic and structure from subterranean termite damage is provided.
3. On the interior side of basement walls.

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PROTECTION AGAINST TERMITES

Permit No. _____ Address: _____

Builder: _____

The Above Referenced Address meets or exceeds the requirements for protection against termites set forth in Section R318 of the 2009 International Residential Code.

Name of Protection Provider (Company): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

State License No.: _____

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF COLLIN

I, _____, being duly sworn both depose and say that the information contained in the above application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature

Date

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 20__, A.D.

Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

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