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### Applicable Standards:

FORTIFIED Commercial™–Wind  
FORTIFIED Multifamily™–Wind

### Applicable FORTIFIED Levels:



## Maintaining Designation/ Compliance Status

### Scope

This technical bulletin provides information regarding designation or compliance status after it has been issued and prior to its five-year re-designation.

### Applicable FORTIFIED Levels

This bulletin applies to all levels of FORTIFIED Commercial™ and FORTIFIED Multifamily™.

### Requirements

After a designation or letter of compliance is issued, a building must remain in compliance with the FORTIFIED Commercial or FORTIFIED Multifamily requirements. **Any building renovation, modification, or addition, not properly completed with a FORTIFIED evaluator or with prior approval from IBHS, can void the building's active designation or compliance.**

Prior to any work, building owners must notify IBHS to ensure the work does not adversely affect the FORTIFIED Commercial or FORTIFIED Multifamily designation or re-designation.

All renovations, modifications, or additions must comply with the FORTIFIED standards and may require additional inspections from a FORTIFIED Commercial or FORTIFIED Multifamily evaluator (applicable costs apply). If non-compliant alterations to the building(s) relating to this designation occur, IBHS reserves the right to terminate the designation.

**Renovations, modifications, and additions that require prior approval include but are not limited to the following examples:**

#### FORTIFIED Roof™

- Any roof modification or renovation (including post-storm damage)
- Any modification to existing roof-mounted equipment
- Installation of new roof-mounted equipment, including but not limited to:
  - Satellite dishes
  - Roof-mounted solar panels
  - Mechanical units
  - Mechanical screens
  - Safety rails





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### FORTIFIED Silver™

- Replacement of windows or exterior doors with materials that differ from the original approved materials.
- Replacement of wall cladding with a new material

### FORTIFIED Gold™

- Addition or modification to any cantilevered overhangs, chimneys, and attached accessory structures.

## Additional References

For additional guidance, please refer to:

- [FORTIFIED Commercial™–Wind Standard](#)
- [FORTIFIED Multifamily™–Wind Standard](#)
- [FORTIFIED Legal Disclaimer](#)

