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2020 TDI Windstorm Program Changes and Adoption of 2018 ICC Codes

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ABSTRACT: In 2020, the Texas Department of Insurance adopted the 2018 editions of the ICC codes, the ASCE 7-16, and made changes to the windstorm program. The adoption of the 2018 codes has significant impacts on the determination of wind speeds and wind loads versus the previously used 2006 ICC codes. Some of the code items of interest to TDI are foundation design requirements, decks, roofing, windborne debris protection, and construction documents. The TDI changes in the Windstorm Inspections program are in regard to their forms, the entry of information through the AQI's dashboard, inspection documentation, use of LRFD loads vs. ASD, and other subjects. These code and program changes are of interest to building design engineers and windstorm engineers since they impact the building designs that will be acceptable to TDI for issuance of the Form WPI-8, Certificate of Compliance.

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