



City of Los Altos

Green Building Regulations

For All New Construction

Notice: Effective December 14, 2007, the City's Green Building Regulations took effect for all projects as follows:

- **NEW** single-family and multiple-family houses:
 - Prior to building permit submittal, provide verification that the house is designed with a GreenPoint Rating of 50 points or more; and
 - Prior to final inspection, provide verification that the house was built in compliance with the GreenPoint Rated approval.

- **NEW** commercial, mixed-use, and public and community facility buildings:
 - Prior to building permit submittal, provide verification that the building design will exceed the energy efficiency standards by at least 15 percent over that required by Part 6 of Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations using a State of California adopted performance method, as approved by the State Energy Commission; and
 - Prior to final inspection, provide verification that the building was built in accord with the approved energy efficiency requirements.

These regulations will affect all applicable projects submitted for design review on or after December 14, 2007. Please note that it is important to review these Green Building Regulations with your design professional as early in the design process as possible. The City will only accept plans for building permit plan checking that are verified to meet the minimum GreenPoint rating or the minimum required energy efficiency.

Copies of the 2007 edition of the New Home Construction Green Building Guidelines, the **New Home Single Family GreenPoint Rated Checklist**, and a list of approved **New Home GreenPoint Raters** may be downloaded from www.builditgreen.org.