

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.4.

1. Party to Agreement notifying: <u>UNITED STATES</u>
2. Agency responsible: Department of Housing and Urban Development (403)
3. Notified under Article 2.5.2 [X], 2.6.1 [], 7.3.2 [], 7.4.1 [], other:
4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading): Manufactured homes
5. Title and number of pages of the notified document: Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards on Wind Standards (9 pages)
6. Description of content: The Department is proposing to amend the Federal Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards to improve the resistance of manufactured homes to wind forces in areas prone to high winds. Under this Rule, manufactured homes would have to be designed to withstand wind speeds of 80-110 miles an hour depending on the location of the home. Also, the Department would make certain other changes to the Standards to ensure that structural assemblies, components, connectors, and fasteners would be adequate for the area in which each manufactured home would be placed.
7. Objective and rationale: To increase the safety of manufactured homes in areas where wind-induced damage is a special hazard
8. Relevant documents: 58 FR 19536, 14 April 1993; 24 CFR Parts 3280 and 3282. Will appear in the Federal Register when adopted.
9. Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: To be determined
10. Final date for comments: 14 May 1993
11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: