

North Carolina Society of Surveyors Elevation Certificate Training March 18, 2017

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What is the purpose of the Elevation Certificate?



- Verify Regulatory compliance
- Flood Insurance Policy Rating
- Support of applications for map revisions & amendments
 - Required for CRS program

NOTE:

Data collected on this form is for the construction & utility service to a single <u>STRUCTURE</u> only. Not the lot or other improvements.







Who must have an Elevation Certificate?



- Anyone who has applied for insurance on a building that is located in a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA);
- and the construction or substantial improvement of the building started after December 31, 1974 or on or after the date of the initial Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM), whichever is later.







Pre-FIRM vs. Post-FIRM

On or before 12/31/74 or before the original FIRM date

After 12/31/74 and on or after the original FIRM date

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Communities Participating in the National Flood Program

			Init FHBM	Init FIRM	Curr Eff	Reg-Emer	
CID	Community Name	County	Identified	Identified	Map Date	Date	Tribal
370165#	ABERDEEN, TOWN OF	MOORE COUNTY	11/30/73	05/15/86	01/02/08	05/15/86	No
370131#	AHOSKIE, TOWN OF	HERTFORD COUNTY	02/22/74	05/01/87	08/03/09(M)	05/01/87	No
370001#	ALAMANCE COUNTY*	ALAMANCE COUNTY	01/03/75	12/01/81	01/02/08	12/01/81	No
370457#	ALAMANCE, VILLAGE OF	ALAMANCE COUNTY	01/03/75	08/15/90	01/02/08	12/17/87	No
370223#	ALBEMARLE, CITY OF	STANLY COUNTY	12/21/73	12/01/81	06/16/09	12/01/81	No
370398#	ALEXANDER COUNTY*	ALEXANDER COUNTY	06/09/78	02/01/91	07/07/09	02/01/91	No
370004#	ALLEGHANY COUNTY*	ALLEGHANY COUNTY	07/01/77	02/01/04	11/04/09	02/01/04	No
370404#	ALLIANCE, TOWN OF	PAMLICO COUNTY	07/14/78	08/05/85	07/02/04	08/05/85	No
370060#	ANDREWS, TOWN OF	CHEROKEE COUNTY	03/08/74	02/01/85	04/19/10	02/01/85	No
370522#	ANGIER, TOWN OF	HARNETT COUNTY		04/16/90	07/17/07	02/03/00	No
370284#	ANSON COUNTY *	ANSON COUNTY	07/15/77	06/18/90	10/16/08	06/18/90	No
370467#	APEX, TOWN OF	WAKE COUNTY		03/03/92	04/16/07	03/20/92	No
370273#	ARCHDALE, CITY OF	GUILFORD COUNTY/RANDOLPH COUNTY	03/01/74	07/16/81	03/16/09	07/16/81	No
370462#	ARCHER LODGE, TOWN OF	JOHNSTON COUNTY		12/02/05	12/02/05	05/06/14	No
370007#	ASHE COUNTY *	ASHE COUNTY	01/03/75	08/16/88	12/03/09	08/16/88	No

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http://www.fema.gov/cis/NC.pdf





Determine Policy Premiums

	SECTION C – BUILDING ELEVATION INFORMATION (SURV	VEY REQUIRED)
C1.	Building elevations are based on: Construction Drawings* Building Under Construction A new Elevation Certificate will be required when construction of the building is complete.	uction*
C2.	Elevations – Zones A1–A30, AE, AH, A (with BFE), VE, V1–V30, V (with BFE), AR, AR/A, AR/AE, AR/A C2.a–h below according to the building diagram specified in Item A7. In Puerto Rico only, enter me	
	Benchmark Utilized: Vertical Datum:	
	Indicate elevation datum used for the elevations in items a) through h) below. Datum used for building elevations must be the same as that used for the BFE.	NAVD 1988 Other/Source: Check the measurement used.
	a) Top of bottom floor (including basement, crawlspace, or enclosure floor)	☐ feet
	b) Top of the next higher floor	feet meters
	c) Bottom of the lowest horizontal structural member (V Zones only)	feet meters
	d) Attached garage (top of slab)	ifeet imeters
	e) Lowest elevation of machinery or equipment servicing the building	☐ feet ☐ meters
	f) Lowest adjacent (finished) grade next to building (LAG)	ifeet imeters
	g) Highest adjacent (finished) grade next to building (HAG)	ifeet imeters
	h) Lowest adjacent grade at lowest elevation of deck or stairs, including	☐ feet ☐ meters



	Basem	ent/Encl	No Baser	nent/Encl	With Base	ment/Encl	(Mobi	le) Home ²
Elevation of Lowest Floor Above or Below BFE ¹	1-4 Family	Other Residential & Non- Residential	1-4 Family	Other Residential & Non- Residential	1-4 Family	Other Residential & Non- Residential	Single Family	Non- Residential
+4	.24 / .08	.20 / .08	.24 / .08	.207.08	.24/.08	.207.08	.24 / .08	.207.08
+3	.24 / .08	.20/.08	.24 / .08	.20/.08	.247.08	.207.08	.25 / .08	.22/.08
+2	.327.08	.257.08		.207.08	.247.08	.207.08	.31 / .08	.257.08
+1	.597.08	.45 / .10	.38 / .08	.28/.08	.29/.08	.22/.08	.73 / .09	.72/.08
0	1.08./ .08		.77 / .08	.597.16	.56 / .08	.50 / .16	1.67 / .09	1.62 / .08
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Insurance Rate Comparison

Pre- /Post- FIRM ¹	Dwelling Type & # of Floors	Amount of Coverage Build/Content (in thousands)	Deductible ² Build/Content	Flood Zone	Elevation Difference of Lowest Floor and BFE (Feet)	Cost of Flood Insurance ³ (without HFIAA surcharge)
					+4	\$528
	Single Family/ One Floor/ No Basement				+3	\$561
Post-		\$200/\$80	\$1,250/\$1,250	A1-30, AE	+2	\$649 \$921
					At BFE	\$1,874
					-1	\$4,376
			\$1,250/\$1,250		+4 or more	\$2,752
	Single Family/ Without Obstruction			0 V1-V30, VE	+3	\$3,095
Post-		/ \$200/\$80⁵			+2	\$4,245
1981					+1	\$5,795
					At BFE	\$7,356
					-1	\$9,375
					+4 or more	\$5,114
Deat	Cingle Comilui				+3	\$5,407
Post- 1981	Single Family/ With	\$200/\$80 ⁵	¢1.250/¢1.250		+2	\$6,088
1901	Obstruction	\$200/\$80°	\$1,250/\$1,250	V1-V30, VE	+1	\$7,039
	Obstruction				At BFE	\$8,537
					-1	\$10,714







Support map amendments & revisions

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Policy (PRP) is available for buildings located outside the SFHA. Information about the PRP and how one can apply is enclosed. This determination is based on the flood data presently available. The enclosed documents provide additional information regarding this determination. If you have any questions about this document, please contact the FEMA Map Assistance Center toil free at (877) 338-2827 (877-FEMA MAP) or by letter addressed to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, LOMC Clearinghouse, 947 South Pickett Street, Alexandria, VA 22304-4605.								

The Elevation Certificate is used to revise a FEMA flood map by:

- Letter of Map Amendment (LOMA)
 - Changes the flood zone of a specific property.
- Letter of Map Revision (LOMR-F)
 - Changes the flood zone of a specific property where fill has been placed on the site.





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Luis Rodriguez, P.E., Chief Engineering Management Branch Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration





Adding Fill to Raise LAG?



Community Rating System & Elevation Certificates

The NFIP recognizes community efforts that go beyond the minimum floodplain management requirements of the NFIP through the CRS by reducing insurance premiums for the community's property owners

- Community Rating System (CRS) communities are required to obtain and maintain Elevation Certificates
- This requirement applies to all new construction and substantial improvements to existing structures located in SFHAs







Who certifies building elevations?

Surveyor Engineer Architect



In order to be rated properly, the insured needs a professional like you to certify the building elevation information.





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EC Form Instructions

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY National Flood Insurance Program

Instructions for Completing the Elevation Certificate

OMB No. 1660-0008 Expiration Date: July 31, 2015

The Elevation Certificate is to be completed by a land surveyor, engineer, or architect who is authorized by law to certify elevation information information is required for Zones A1–A30, AE, AH, A (with BFE), VE, V1–V30, V (with BFE), AR, AR/A, AR/AE, AR/A1–A30, AR/AH, or AR/AO. Community officials who are authorized by law or ordinance to provide floodplain management information may also complete this form. For Zones AO and A (without BFE), a community official, a property owner, or an owner's representative may provide information on this certificate, unless the elevations are intended for use in supporting a request for a LOMA or LOMR-F. Certified elevations must be included if the purpose of completing the Elevation Certificate is to obtain a LOMA or LOMR-F.

The property owner, the owner's representative, or local official who is authorized by law to administer the community floodplain ordinance can complete Section A and Section B. The partially completed form can then be given to the land surveyor, engineer, or architect to complete Section C. The land surveyor, engineer, or architect should verify the information provided by the property owner or owner's representative to ensure that this certificate is complete.







Community's EC Review

Community Officials <u>MUST REVIEW</u> EC's before excepting them to ensure:

Completeness
 Reasonableness/Accuracy
 Compliance

If problems are found, return to professional for correction.

Structure will be in violation until proper Finished Construction Elevation Certificate is provided.







Elevation Certificate Sections

Section A – Property Info **Section B** – FIRM Info **Section C** – Building Elevation (if BFE on maps) Section D – Survey Certification **Section E** – Building Elevation (no BFE) **Section F** – Property Owner Certification **Section G** – Community Info







Section A (for all zones)

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ELEVATION CERTIFICATE

IMPORTANT: Follow the instructions on pages 1-9.

OMB No. 1660-0008 Expiration Date: July 31, 2015

	SECTION A - F	ROPERTY INF	ORMA	FOR INS	SURANCE COMPANY USE
A1.	Building Owner's Name			Policy N	umber:
A2.	Building Street Address (including Apt., Unit, Suite, and/or Bldg. No	o.) or PO. Route a	nd Box	No. Company	y NAIC Number:
	City OR	State		ZIP Code	3
A3.	Property Description (Lot and Block Numbers, Tax Parcel Number, L	egal Description,	etc.)		
A4.	Building Use (e.g., Residential, Non-Residential, Addition, Accessor	ry, etc.)			2
A5.	Latitude/Longitude: Lat Long	20. 20		Horizontal Datum:	□ NAD 1927 □ NAD 1983
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A6.	Attach at least 2 photographs of the building if the Certificate is be	eing used to obtai		insurance.	
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A6.		_	in flood	insurance. a building with an attached g	arage:
A6. A7.	Building Diagram Number	_	n flood A9. For		200.000 NO. 8 NO.
A6. A7.	Building Diagram Number For a building with a crawlspace or enclosure(s):		n flood A9. For a) b)	a building with an attached g Square footage of attached g	garage sq ft
A6. A7.	Building Diagram Number For a building with a crawlspace or enclosure(s): a) Square footage of crawlspace or enclosure(s) b) Number of permanent flood openings in the crawlspace		n flood A9. For a) b)	a building with an attached g Square footage of attached g Number of permanent flood o	garage sq ft openings in the attached garage nt grade







Building Photographs

ELEVATION CERTIFICATE, page 3	BUILDING PHOTOGRAPHS See Instructions for Item A6.	
IMPORTANT: In these spaces, copy the correspon	ding information from Section A.	FOR INSURANCE COMPANY USE
Building Street Address (including Apt., Unit, Suite	and/or Bldg. No.) or PO. Route and Box No.	Policy Number:
City	State ZIP Code	Company NAIC Number:

If using the Elevation Certificate to obtain NFIP flood insurance, affix at least 2 building photographs below according to the instructions for item A6. identify all photographs with date taken; "Front View" and "Rear View"; and, if required, "Right Side View" and "Left Side View." When applicable, photographs must show the foundation with representative examples of the flood openings or vents, as indicated in Section A8. If submitting more photographs than will fit on this page, use the Continuation Page.

Front view of building to be insured

Rear view of building to be insured

Date the photograph was taken

Date the photograph was taken (A6) An additional form for attaching photographs is provided with the new Elevation Certificate.

- 3"x3" color photographs
- Digital is acceptable
- At least two photographs showing front and rear of building
- If building is split- or multi-level, at least 2 additional photographs are needed
- Helpful to show the lowest level of the building that is above grade.







Building Photographs

IMPORTANT: In these spaces, copy t	he corresponding information from Section A.	FOR INSURANCE COMPANY USE
Building Street Address (including Apt	., Unit, Suite, and/or Bldg. No.) or PO. Route and Box No.	Policy Number:
City	State ZIP Code	Company NAIC Number:

Right side view of the building to be insured Left side view of the building to be insured

Date the photograph was taken Date the photograph was taken Include the date the photograph was taken

- Must be taken within 90 days from the date of certification
- Photographs should capture key elements such as flood openings







Sections A1-A3

	SECTION A – PROPERTY INFORMATION	FOR INSURANCE COMPANY USE
A1.	Building Owner's Name	Policy Number:
A2.	Building Street Address (including Apt., Unit, Suite, and/or Bldg. No.) or PO. Route and Box No.	Company NAIC Number:
	City State	ZIP Code
A3.	Property Description (Lot and Block Numbers, Tax Parcel Number, Legal Description, etc.)	

- > Complete **<u>all</u>** items, except "For Insurance Company Use".
- > A1. Building Owner's(s') Name(s)

Building Use (e.g., Residential, Non-Residential, Addition, Accessory, etc.)

- > A2. **Building Address** 911 address of building location.
- > A3. The address is a rural route, enter the lot & block numbers, the tax parcel number, the legal description.







Section A4

	SECTION A – PROPERTY INFORMATION	FOR INSURANCE COMPANY USE
A1.	Building Owner's Name	Policy Number:
A2.	Building Street Address (including Apt., Unit, Suite, and/or Bldg. No.) or PO. Route and Box No.	Company NAIC Number:
1	City State	ZIP Code
A3.	Property Description (Lot and Block Numbers, Tax Parcel Number, Legal Description, etc.)	
A4.	Building Use (e.g., Residential, Non-Residential, Addition, Accessory, etc.)	

A4. Building Use - residential, non-residential, an addition to an existing residential or non-residential building, an accessory building (e.g., garage), or other type of structure.

> Use the <u>Comments</u> area on page 2 or attach additional comments, as needed.







Section A5



- Latitude/Longitude taken at the center of the front of the building.
- Decimal degrees: provide coordinates to at least 4 decimal places or better (e.g., 39.5043°, -110.7585°).
- > Coordinates must be accurate within 66 feet.
- Provide the type of datum used FEMA prefers the use of NAD 1983.

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Sections A6-A7



- > A6. Attach photographs showing at least the front & rear of the building. Must be in color & measure at least 3"x3". If split-level or multi-level, side views are also required.
- A7. Enter the <u>building diagram number</u> that best represents the building. There are now 10 building diagrams.

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DIAGRAM 7

All buildings elevated on full-story foundation walls with a partially or fully enclosed area below the elevated floor. This includes walkout levels, where at least one side is at or above grade. The principal use of this building is located in the elevated floors of the building.

Distinguishing Feature – For all zones, the area below the elevated floor is enclosed, either partially or fully. In A Zones, the partially or fully enclosed area below the elevated floor is with or without openings' present in the walls of the enclosure. Indicate information about enclosure size and openings in Section A – Property Information.



DIAGRAM 8

All buildings elevated on a crawlspace with the floor of the crawlspace at or above grade on at least one side, with or without an attached garage.

Distinguishing Feature – For all zones, the area below the first floor is enclosed by solid or partial perimeter walls. In all A zones, the crawfspace is with or without openings' present in the walls of the crawfspace. Indicate information about crawfspace size and openings in Section A – Property Information.



DIAGRAM 9

All buildings (other than split-level) elevated on a subgrade crawlspace, with or without attached garage.

Distinguishing Feature – The bottom (crawlspace) floor is at or below ground level (grade) on all sides.** (If the distance from the crawlspace floor to the top of the next higher floor is more than 5 feet, or the crawlspace floor is more than 2 feet below the grade (LAG) on all sides, use Diagram 2.)





DIAGRAM 2B

All single-and multiple-floor buildings with basement (other than split-level) and high-rise buildings with basement, either detached or row type (e.g., townhouses); with or without attached garage).

Distinguishing feature - The bottom floor (basement or under ground garage) is below ground level (grade) on all sides; most of the height of the walls are below ground level on all sides and the door and area of egress is also below ground level on all sides.*







Section A8a-b



For buildings with a crawlspace or enclosure(s).

- > A8.a. Square footage of crawlspace or enclosure(s). Take measurements from the outside.
- > A8.b. Number of permanent flood openings in the crawlspace or enclosure(s) that are no higher than 1.0 foot above the higher of the exterior or interior grade or floor immediately below the opening

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Section A8c



A8.c. Calculate the total net area of all such permanent flood openings in square inches, excluding any bars, louvers, or other covers of the permanent flood openings.

If the net area cannot be calculated, provide the size of the flood openings without consideration of any covers & indicate in the Comments area the type of cover that exists in the flood openings.







Section A8d

A5.	Latitude/Longitude: Lat	Long.	Horizontal Datum: NAD 1927 NAD 1983
A6.	Attach at least 2 photographs of the building if the Certifica	ate is being used to o	btain flood insurance.
A7.	Building Diagram Number		
A8.	For a building with a crawlspace or enclosure(s):		A9. For a building with an attached garage:
	a) Square footage of crawlspace or enclosure(s)	sq ft	a) Square footage of attached garage sq ft
	b) Number of permanent flood openings in the crawlspace or enclosure(s) within 1.0 foot above adjacent grade	۱ <u>ــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــ</u>	 b) Number of permanent flood openings in the attached garage within 1.0 foot above adjacent grade
	c) Total net area of flood openings in A8.b	sq in	c) Total net area of flood openings in A9.b sq in
	d) Engineered flood openings? □ Yes □ No		d) Engineered flood openings? Yes No
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A8.d. Engineered flood openings. Attach a copy of the Individual Engineered Flood Openings Certification or an Evaluation Report issued by the International Code Council Evaluation Service (ICC ES), if you have it.

If the crawlspace or enclosure(s) have no permanent flood openings, or if the openings are not within 1.0 foot above adjacent grade, enter "0" (zero) in Items A8.b-c.

FEMA Technical Bulletin 1: "Openings in Foundation Walls and Walls of Enclosures"





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Standards for Elevation on Perimeter Wall Foundations

- In Zones A & AE, fully enclosed areas below the lowest floor shall be designed to automatically equalize hydrostatic flood forces on walls by allowing for the entry & exit of floodwaters
- To meet this requirement, the openings must be:
 - certified by a registered engineer or architect,
 OR
 - meet or exceed the minimum opening requirements







Hydrostatic Openings

Permanent Opening in a Wall that Allows the Free Passage of Water in Both Directions, **AUTOMATICALLY**, without Human Intervention.

A Window, a Door, or a Garage Door is **NOT** Considered an Opening.







Minimum Requirements for Foundation Openings

- Minimum of two openings on different sides of each enclosed area.
- The total <u>net</u> area of all openings must be at least <u>one</u> (1) square inch for each square foot of enclosed area.
- The bottom of all required openings shall be no higher than <u>one foot</u> above the adjacent grade at each opening.
- Openings may be equipped with screens, louvers, or other <u>"automatic"</u> coverings or devices, provided they permit the automatic flow of floodwaters in <u>both</u> directions.











This looks like 1 foot or less.

This looks like 1 foot or less.


Plexiglas cover. This is a violation!!

Spray foam insulation. This is a violation!!









Openings in Foundation Walls and Walls of Enclosures

Below Elevated Buildings in Special Flood Hazard Areas in accordance with the National Flood Insurance Program

Technical Bulletin 1 / August 2008





Page 17: Openings that extend above the BFE

Only those portions of openings that are below the BFE can be counted towards the required net open area.







Engineered Openings/Vents

Plastic – No Rust or Rot Crawlspace Flood Vent for Homes (New Construction & Replacement)

Easy Access • Modular Use • Can Be Painted

Model	Opening Sizes (ReW)	Kon Ese.	ing the last	Hel-Imp Air Cig. In.3
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D0810	8" X 16"	120	230	95
D1220	12° X 20°	240	425	175
D1232	12" X 32"	380	705	290
D1616	16° X 16'	255	485	200
D1624	16" X 24"	380	695	285
D1632	16° X 32"	510	935	385
D2032	20° X 32"	640	1,225	505
D2424	24" X 24"	575	1,065	435
D2436	24°X36°	860	1,620	665



Plantic FEMA Florad Vents

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Section A9



- Same as Section A8, but for garage when the garage is attached to the building.
- Use the Comments area on page 2 or attach additional comments, as needed.





Sections B1-B9

SECTION B – FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP (FIRM) INFORMATION

B1. NFIP Community Name & Community Number			B2. County Name		B3. State	
B4. Map/Panel Number	B5. Suffix	B6. FIRM Index Date	B7. FIRM Panel Effective/ Revised Date	B8. Flood Zone(s)		e Flood Elevation(s) (Zone ise base flood depth)

- > B1. Enter name of Community which has permitting jurisdiction.
- > B4. Enter the 10 digit panel number.
- > B5. Enter the panel suffix (letter following panel number).
- > B6. Enter the date from the FIRM Index Panel.
- > B7. Enter the FIRM panel effective date.
- > B8. Enter the Flood Zone(s) related to the structure.
- > B9. Enter the Base Flood Elevation (BFE) for the structure to the nearest tenth of a foot.







Section B1-9

2	SE	TION B - FLOOD INSU	JRANCE RATE MAP (FIR	M) INFORMATION	Ĩ.
B1. NFIP Community Nan	ne & Community	Number	B2. County Name		B3. State
B4. Map/Panel Number	B5. Suffix	B6. FIRM Index Date	B7. FIRM Panel Effective/ Revised Date	B8. Flood Zone(s)	B9. Base Flood Elevation(s) (Zone A0, use base flood depth)
B10. Indicate the source of FIS Profile			ase flood depth entered in Ite ther/Source:	m B9:	
B11. Indicate elevation da B12. Is the building locate Designation Date:	ed <mark>i</mark> n a Coastal E	arrier Resources System (0 1929	Other/Source: _ ected Area (OPA)? [Yes No

Complete the Elevation Certificate on the basis of the FIRM in effect at the time of the certification.

Additional &/or preliminary data may be provided in Comments Section.







Sections B10-B12

B10. Indicate the source of the Base Flood Elevation (BFE) data or base flood depth entered in Item B9. Image: FIS Profile FIRM Community Determined Other (Describe) B11. Indicate elevation datum used for BFE in Item B9: NGVD 1929 NAVD 1988 Other (Describe) B12. Is the building located in a Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) area or Otherwise Protected Area (OPA)? Yes No Designation Date CBRS OPA	
B11. Indicate elevation datum used for BFE in Item B9: NGVD 1929 NAVD 1988 Other (Describe)	
B12. Is the building located in a Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) area or Otherwise Protected Area (OPA)? Yes No	
Designation Date CBRS OPA)

- B10. Check the box for source of BFE data. These are listed in the order of preference. If the flooding source is riverine, the "FIS Profile" box should be selected.
- B11. Check the box for elevation datum used in Item B9. NC maps currently use NAVD 1988.
- B12. Indicate whether or not the building is located in a Coastal Barrier Resource System (CRBS) or Otherwise Protected Area (OPA). Enter the designation date & check "CBRS" or "OPA".







Coastal Barrier Resource System



COASTAL BARRIER RESOURCES SYSTEM (CBRS) AREAS



OTHERWISE PROTECTED AREAS (OPAs)

CBRS areas and OPAs are normally located within or adjacent to Special Flood Hazard Areas.

COASTAL BARRIER LEGEND

11-16-91 Otherwise Protected Area

FLOOD INSURANCE NOT AVAILABLE FOR STRUCTURES – NEWLY BUILT OR SUBSTANTIALLY IMPROVED ON OR AFTER NOVEMBER 16, 1991 – NOT USED IN A MANNER CONSISTENT WITH THE PURPOSE OF THE OTHERWISE PROTECTED AREAS.

Comments or concerns regarding the Coastal Barrier Resources System or Otherwise Protected Areas should be directed to the Coastal Barrier Coordinator at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; (404) 679 -7106

Federal flood insurance is prohibited in designated CBRS areas or OPAs for buildings or manufactured (mobile) homes built or substantially improved after the date of the CBRS or OPA designation. Information about CBRS areas & OPAs may be obtained on the FEMA web site at:

http://www.fema.gov/business/nfip/cbrs/cbrs.shtm





Coastal Barrier Resource System

OPA 11/16/1991

ZONE AE

OTHERWISE PROTECTED AREA IDENTIFIED 11-16-91 (SEE COASTAL BARRIER LEGEND) CBRS 10/01/1983

COASTAL BARRIER IDENTIFIED, 10-01-83 (SEE COASTAL BARRIER LEGEND)

Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune

ZONE VE

ZONE VE

Complete Two Ways

Either:

- SFHA Zone with BFEs Determined
 - Sections C & D

SFHA Zone with No BFE Determined Is rare in Eastern NC







Section C (Zone has BFE)

	SECTION C – BUILDING ELEVATION	INFORMATION (SURVEY REQUIRED)
C1.	Building elevations are based on: Construction Drawings* *A new Elevation Certificate will be required when construction of the b	Building Under Construction* Finished Construction uilding is complete.
C2.	Elevations – Zones A1–A30, AE, AH, A (with BFE), VE, V1–V30, V (with B C2.a–h below according to the building diagram specified in Item A7. In	
	Benchmark Utilized:	Vertical Datum:
	Indicate elevation datum used for the elevations in items a) through h) Datum used for building elevations must be the same as that used for	·····································
	a) Top of bottom floor (including basement, crawlspace, or enclosure flo	oor) [] feet [] meters
	b) Top of the next higher floor	[] feet [] meters
	c) Bottom of the lowest horizontal structural member (V Zones only)	feet I meters
	d) Attached garage (top of slab)	feet I meters
	 e) Lowest elevation of machinery or equipment servicing the building (Describe type of equipment and location in Comments) 	feet I meters
	f) Lowest adjacent (finished) grade next to building (LAG)	feet I meters
	g) Highest adjacent (finished) grade next to building (HAG)	feet I meters
	 Lowest adjacent grade at lowest elevation of deck or stairs, including structural support 	g [] feet [] meters

Section C now states the Datum used in this section must match the datum used for the BFE





Section C1

SECTION C - BUILDING ELEVATION INFORMATION (SURVEY REQUIRED)

C1. Building elevations are based on: Construction Drawings* Building Under Construction* *A new Elevation Certificate will be required when construction of the building is complete.

Item C1. The elevations to be entered in this section are based on <u>construction drawings</u>, a <u>building under</u> <u>construction</u>, or <u>finished construction</u>.

> Use the Comments area of Section D as needed.

Finished Construction" is only when all machinery &/or equipment (furnaces, hot water heaters, heat pumps, air conditioners, elevators & their associated equipment) have been installed & the grading around the building is completed.







Finished Construction

Section C2

C2. Elevations – Zones A1–A30, AE, AH, A (with BFE), VE, V1–V30, V (with BFE), AR, AR/A, AR/AE, AR/A1–A30, AR/AH, AR/AO. Complete Items C2.a–h below according to the building diagram specified in Item A7. In Puerto Rico only, enter meters.

Benchmark Utilized: __

_____ Vertical Datum: _____

Indicate elevation datum used for the elevations in items a) through h) below. NGVD 1929 NAVD 1988 Other/Source:

Datum used for building elevations must be the same as that used for the BFE.

- \succ A field survey is required for Items C2.a-h.
- Enter the Benchmark Utilized. Provide the PID or other unique identifier assigned by the maintainer of the benchmark. For GPS survey, indicate the benchmark used for the base station, the Continuously Operating Reference Stations (CORS) sites used for an On-line Positioning User Service (OPUS) solution (attach the OPUS report), or the name of the Real Time Network used.
- Note the Vertical Datum. All elevations for the certificate <u>must</u> use the same datum on which the BFE is based.







Bench Marks



- Identified by their NSRS Permanent Identifier (PID)
- To access current Bench Mark elevation, description, & location information, go to:
- NC Geodetic Survey website: <u>www.ncgs.state.nc.us</u> Or
- National Geodetic Survey website: <u>www.ngs.noaa.gov</u>





http://www.ngs.noaa.gov/TOOLS/Vertcon/vertcon.html





Orthometric Height Conversion

Orthometric height conversion is performed by calculating the <u>datum shift</u> based from modeled values The resulting datum shift is displayed.

The converted orthometric height is displayed only if the height to be converted from was not left blan ***** See input format details below *****

Latitude and Longitude within the Contiguous United States are REQUIRED:

Positions may be entered in any of the following three formats: 1. degrees, minutes and decimal seconds (including leading zeros) Lon: (XXX XX XX.XXX) Lat: (XX XX XX.XXX) Lon: 098 33 23.232 good Lat: 45 33 23.232 good Lon: 98 33 23.232 bad Lat: 5 33 23.232 bad Lon: 098 03 23.342 good Lat: 45 03 03.232 good Lon: 098 3 23.342 bad Lat: 45 3 3.232 bad 2. degrees and decimal minutes (including leading zeros) Lon: (XXX XX.XXX) Lat: (XX XX.XXX) Lon: 098 23.232 good Lat: 45 33.232 good Lon: 98 23.232 bad Lat: 5 23.232 bad Lon: 098 03.342 good Lat: 45 03.232 dood Lon: 098 3.342 bad Lat: 45 3.232 bad 3. decimal degrees (including leading zeros) Lon: (XXX.XXX) Lat: (XX.XXX) Lon: 098.232 good Lat: 45.232 good Lon: 98.232 bad Lat: 5.232 bad Note: There MUST be one or more blanks between entry fields

Decimals can be keyed commensurate with the field's precision, but are not req

Orthometric Height to be converted FROM is OPTIONAL:

Height may be entered in either meters or U.S. survey feet:
 1. meters: xxxx.xxx
 2. feet : xxxx.xx FT (MUST include FT or ft for feet !)

	ENTER North Latitude :	
	ENTER West Longitude :	
North Corolin	ENTER Orthometric Height :	Entry is Optional; Default units (meters)
North Carolir	SELECT Vertical Datum : NGVD 29 NAV	D 88 of the entered height

Section C2.a-d



- Items C2.a-c. Enter the building elevations (excluding the attached garage) indicated by the selected building diagram (Item A7).
- If there is an attached garage, enter the elevation for top of attached garage slab in Item C2.d.
- If any item does not apply to the building, enter "N/A" for not applicable.







Section C2.a-d



- For buildings in A zones: elevations should be measured at the <u>top of the floor</u>.
- For buildings in V zones: Item C2.c. Elevation c must be measured at <u>the bottom of the lowest</u> <u>horizontal structural member of the floor</u>.
- For buildings elevated on a crawlspace enter the elevation of the top of the crawlspace floor in Item C2.a, whether or not the crawlspace has permanent flood openings (flood vents).





Section C2.a and C2.c









Lowest Floor in ZONE A, AE, AH & A1-30

The lowest floor is measured at the top of the sub-floor, slab or grade for regulatory and flood insurance purposes



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Lowest Floor in ZONE V, & VE

Bottom of the lowest horizontal structural member supporting the lowest floor



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Section C2.e

- e) Lowest elevation of machinery or equipment servicing the building (Describe type of equipment and location in Comments)
- f) Lowest adjacent (finished) grade next to building (LAG)
- g) Highest adjacent (finished) grade next to building (HAG)
- Lowest adjacent grade at lowest elevation of deck or stairs, including structural support



- Enter the lowest platform elevation of the machinery & equipment.
- The elevation(s) for machinery & equipment are required in order to rate the building for flood insurance.
- Local officials are required to ensure that all machinery & equipment servicing the building are protected from flooding, including ductwork, be documented on the Elevation Certificate.
- If the machinery or equipment is mounted to a wall, pile, etc., indicate machinery/equipment type & its location (on floor inside garage, on platform affixed to exterior wall, etc.) in the Comments area.





ELEVATED AIR CONDITIONER

ELEVATED WATER HEATER

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ELEVATED ELECTRIC METERS

 Compliant: elevated equipment and ducts; anchored tank





































Section C2.f-h

- e) Lowest elevation of machinery or equipment servicing the building (Describe type of equipment and location in Comments)
- f) Lowest adjacent (finished) grade next to building (LAG)
- g) Highest adjacent (finished) grade next to building (HAG)
- h) Lowest adjacent grade at lowest elevation of deck or stairs, including structural support



- Item C2.f. Enter the lowest elevation of the ground, sidewalk, or patio slab immediately next to the building.
- Item C2.g. Enter the highest elevation of the ground, sidewalk, or patio slab immediately next to the building.
- Item C2.h. Enter the lowest grade elevation at the deck support, or stairs.

These measurements must be to the nearest tenth of a foot.





Section D

Official certification required



2009 Form: New, lat/long verification





Section D (cont.)

IMPORTANT: In these spaces, copy the correspondence	For Insurance Company Use:						
Building Street Address (including Apt., Unit, Suite, and/or E	Policy Number						
City	ty State ZIP Code						
SECTION D - SURVEYOR,	ENGINEER, OR ARCHITE	CT CERTIFICATION (CON	TINUED)				
Copy both sides of this Elevation Certificate for (1) commun	ity official, (2) insurance agent	/company, and (3) building owr	ier.				
Comments	Comments						
Signature	Date		Check here if attachments				
 Use this comment section to provide additional information, as appropriate. USEUSEUSE 							






Section E

Primarily for AO and A zones without BFE

SECTION E - BUILDING ELEVATION INFORMATION (SURVEY NOT REQUIRED) FOR ZONE AO AND ZONE A (WITHOUT BFE)

For Zones AO and A (without BFE), complete Items E1–E5. If the Certificate is intended to support a LOMA or LOMR-F request, complete Sections A, B, and C. For Items E1–E4, use natural grade, if available. Check the measurement used. In Puerto Rico only, enter meters.

E1. Provide elevation information for the following and chee	ck the appropriate boxes to show whether the elevation is above or below th	he highest adjacent
grade (HAG) and the lowest adjacent grade (LAG).		

a) Top of bottom floor (including basement, crawlspace, or enclosure) is	🗌 feet	meters	above or	below the HAG.
b) Top of bottom floor (including basement, crawlspace, or enclosure) is	🗆 feet	meters	above or	below the LAG.
E2. For Building Diagrams 6-9 with permanent flood openings provided in Section A Items 8 and/o	or 9 (see p	ages 8-9 of	Instructions),	
the next higher floor (elevation C2.b in the diagrams) of the building is	🗌 feet	meters	above or	below the HAG.
E3. Attached garage (top of slab) is	🗌 feet	meters	above or	below the HAG.
E4. Top of platform of machinery and/or equipment servicing the building is	🗌 feet	meters	above or	below the HAG.
E5. Zone AO only: If no flood depth number is available, is the top of the bottom floor elevated in a ordinance? Yes No Unknown. The local official must certify this information in Se		e with the co	mmunity's floo	dplain management

 Complete this section if the building is located in Zone AO or Zone A (without BFE). Otherwise, complete Section C.







Section F (if zone has no BFE) (very rare in Eastern NC)

SECTION F - PROPERTY OWNER (OR OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE) CERTIFICATION

The property owner or owner's authorized representative who completes Sections A, B, and E for Zone A (without a FEMA-issued or community-issued BFE) or Zone AO must sign here. The statements in Sections A, B, and E are correct to the best of my knowledge.

Property Owner's or Owner's Authorized Representative's Name

Address	City	State	ZIP Code
Signature	Date	Telephone	
Comments			
			Check here if attachments

Complete as indicated. This section is provided for certification of measurements taken by a property owner or property owner's representative when responding to Sections A, B, & E. The address entered in this section must be the **actual mailing address** of the property owner or property owner's representative who provided the information on the certificate.



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Section G (All Zones)

SECTION	G - COMMUNITY INFORMATION (OPTIONAL)				
The local official who is authorized by law or ordinance to administer the community's floodplain management ordinance can complete Sections A, B, C (or E), and G of this Elevation Certificate. Complete the applicable item(s) and sign below. Check the measurement used in Items G8 and G9.					
	er documentation that has been signed and sealed by a licensed surveyor, engineer, or architect who n. (Indicate the source and date of the elevation data in the Comments area below.)				
	uilding located in Zone A (without a FEMA-issued or community-issued BFE) or Zone AO.				
G3. The following information (Items G4-G9) is provided for community floodplain management purposes.					
G4. Permit Number G5. Date Permit	Issued G6. Date Certificate Of Compliance/Occupancy Issued				
G7. This permit has been issued for: 🔲 New Construction	on Substantial Improvement				
G8. Elevation of as-built lowest floor (including basement)	of the building feet 🔲 meters (PR) Datum				
G9. BFE or (in Zone AO) depth of flooding at the building site feet return meters (PR) Datum					
G10. Community's design flood elevation	feet 🔲 meters (PR) Datum				
Local Official's Name	Title				
Community Name	Telephone				
Signature	Date				
Comments					
	Community officials can				
	transfer information from				

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previously certified

document.



Photographs

ELEVATION CERTIFICATE, page 3

BUILDING PHOTOGRAPHS

See Instructions for Item A6.

IMPORTANT: In these spaces, copy the corresponding information from Section A.			FOR INSURANCE COMPANY USE
Building Street Address (including Apt., Unit, Suite, and/or Bldg. No.) or PO. Route and Box No.			Policy Number:
City	State	ZIP Code	Company NAIC Number:

If using the Elevation Certificate to obtain NFIP flood insurance, affix at least 2 building photographs below according to the instructions for Item A6. Identify all photographs with date taken; "Front View" and "Rear View"; and, if required, "Right Side View" and "Left Side View." When applicable, photographs must show the foundation with representative examples of the flood openings or vents, as indicated in Section A8. If submitting more photographs than will fit on this page, use the Continuation Page.

At least 2 color photographs, 3" x 3" EC requires foundation vent photos





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Question 1

The main purpose of the Elevation Certificates is to certify a building's compliance with local floodplain regulations.









The main purpose of the Elevation Certificates is to certify a building's compliance with local floodplain regulations.



The Elevation Certificate is mainly used by the insurance company to rate the building for flood insurance.









The elevation data recorded in Section C must be certified by a surveyor, engineer, or architect (as allowed by state law).









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In NC must be a Surveyor.









Before accepting an Elevation Certificate, a community official should carefully review all the data entries to ensure it was filled out correctly.

True False







Before accepting an Elevation Certificate, a community official should carefully review all the data entries to ensure it was filled out correctly.

X True False









If a building does not have permanent flood openings, Items A8 and A9 should be left blank.









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The surveyor must enter N/A









Always use the outside grade when determining the bottom of the vent is within the 1 foot









Always use the outside grade when determining the bottom of the vent is within the 1 foot

__ True _X_ False

Items A8.b-d Enter in Item A8.b the number of permanent flood openings in the crawlspace or enclosure(s) that are no higher than 1.0 foot above the higher of the exterior or interior grade or floor immediately below the opening. (A permanent flood









A "0" for Item C2e indicates that there is no machinery or equipment servicing the building.









A "0" for Item C2e indicates that there is no machinery or equipment servicing the building.



The Surveyor must enter N/A

Use comments please!







DIAGRAM 1A

All slab-on-grade single- and multiple-floor buildings (other than split-level) and high-rise buildings, either detached or row type (e.g., townhouses); with or without attached garage.









Slab-on-grade one-story building with attached garage















Slab on stem wall with fill







DIAGRAM 2

All single- and multiple-floor buildings with basement (other than split-level) and high-rise buildings with basement, either detached or row type (e.g., townhouses); with or without attached garage.

Distinguishing Feature – The bottom floor (basement or underground garage) is below ground level (grade) on all sides.*









Which Diagram Do You Use?



Sloping sites

Buildings on solid perimeter foundation walls that are set into a sloping site present another special situation with respect to installation of openings. Careful attention must be paid to the following:

The interior floor along the lower side of a building that is set into a sloping site must be at or above the exterior grade across the entire length of that side of the building, other-wise the enclosure becomes a basement.





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DIAGRAM 2B

All single-and multiple-floor buildings with basement (other than split-level) and high-rise buildings with basement, either detached or row type (e.g., townhouses); with or without attached garage).

Distinguishing feature - The bottom floor (basement or under ground garage) is below ground level (grade) on all sides; most of the height of the walls are below ground level on all sides and the door and area of egress is also below ground level on all sides.*















DIAGRAM 3

All split-level buildings that are slab-on-grade, either detached or row type (e.g., townhouses); with or without attached garage.

Distinguishing Feature – The bottom floor (excluding garage) is at or above ground level (grade) on at least one side.*







DIAGRAM 4

All split-level buildings (other than slab-on-grade), either detached or row type (e.g., townhouses); with or without attached garage.

Distinguishing Feature – The bottom floor (basement or underground garage) is below ground level (grade) on all sides.*









DIAGRAM 5

All buildings elevated on piers, posts, piles, columns, or parallel shear walls. No obstructions below the elevated floor.

Distinguishing Feature – For all zones, the area below the elevated floor is open, with no obstruction to flow of flood waters (open lattice work and/or insect screening is permissible).





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Manufactured home elevated on pier foundation



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Which Diagram is it?

Diagram 5 - Hanging Floor



DIAGRAM 6

All buildings elevated on piers, posts, piles, columns, or parallel shear walls with full or partial enclosure below the elevated floor.

Distinguishing Feature – For all zones, the area below the elevated floor is enclosed, either partially or fully. In A Zones, the partially or fully enclosed area below the elevated floor is with or without openings** present in the walls of the enclosure. Indicate information about enclosure size and openings in Section A – Property Information.








Building Diagram 7

DIAGRAM 7

All buildings elevated on full-story foundation walls with a partially or fully enclosed area below the elevated floor. This includes walkout levels, where at least one side is at or above grade. The principal use of this building is located in the elevated floors of the building.

Distinguishing Feature – For all zones, the area below the elevated floor is enclosed, either partially or fully. In A Zones, the partially or fully enclosed area below the elevated floor is with or without openings* present in the walls of the enclosure. Indicate information about enclosure size and openings in Section A – Property Information.







Building elevated on full-story foundation walls Fully enclosed area below the elevated floor









Building elevated on full-story foundation walls Fully enclosed area below the elevated floor









Building Diagram 8

DIAGRAM 8

All buildings elevated on a crawlspace with the floor of the crawlspace at or above grade on at least one side, with or without an attached garage.

Distinguishing Feature – For all zones, the area below the first floor is enclosed by solid or partial perimeter walls. In all A zones, the crawlspace is with or without openings* present in the walls of the crawlspace. Indicate information about crawlspace size and openings in Section A – Property Information.







Multi-level building elevated on crawl space



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Building Diagram 9

DIAGRAM 9

All buildings (other than split-level) elevated on a subgrade crawlspace, with or without attached garage.

Distinguishing Feature – The bottom (crawlspace) floor is at or below ground level (grade) on all sides.** (If the distance from the crawlspace floor to the top of the next higher floor is more than 5 feet, or the crawlspace floor is more than 2 feet below the grade (LAG) on all sides, use Diagram 2.)







One-story building on crawl space Attached garage













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Diagram 3 – both garage and next floor – slab on grade



Which Diagram is it?

Diagram 5 - Hanging Floor













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Questions?

Thank You!





