

DPIS "GUARDIAN CERTIFIED" PROGRAM

When a home is "Guardian Certified" you can let your homebuyers know it has been subjected to the highest levels of engineering principles and inspections practice. Anyone can use words like "quality" and "excellence", but only independent verification can boost buyer confidence.

Guardian Certified Engineers, Raters and Inspectors are there at all key phases of construction and ensure that each of the following stages and procedures are met before it can carry the Seal of Certification:

The Seal of Certification means that each home has been carefully evaluated for risk mitigation, preventing hidden problems from arising after it's too late. Our team of certified engineers, raters and inspectors ensure each home is safe and reliable for future homeowners.

- Foundations are to be Engineered by a Registered Professional Engineering Firm.
- Guardian Foundations are to be inspected previous to concrete being poured in the foundation.
- · Guardian Foundations are to have an inspector on-site during the pouring of the concrete.
- Guardian Foundations are to be inspected at the elongation phase of the cables on each post tension slab.
- Guardian Frame, Wind Bracing, and Windstorm (if applicable) are designed by a Registered Professional Engineering Firm in good standing with the State Board of Professional Engineers (or equivalent governing body).
- FrameNET (300+ Point) Inspection must be performed on each address. The inspection must be performed by an ICC Code Certified Inspector.
- The Energy Certification is to be performed by an ICC Residential Energy Inspector / Plans Examiner, or a Certified Home Energy Rater, and must be confirmed to achieve a minimum of 5% better than the energy code as adopted by the state of residence.
- Insulation Inspection must be performed before the drywall is installed in the home.
- Final Inspections must be performed before the home can carry the Guardian Seal; a Final Code Inspection and a Final Energy Inspection.

