



SUMMARY OF RULES & REQUIREMENTS FOR HOME EVALUATORS

The following is a summary of eligibility requirements and prohibitions against conflicts of interest for Home Evaluators participating in the Louisiana Fortify Homes Program (LFHP).

LFHP HOME EVALUATORS – ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible to participate in the LFHP, a Home Evaluator must:

- Be in good standing with the Insurance Institute for Business and Home Safety (IBHS) and maintain an active certification as a FORTIFIED Home Evaluator issued by the IBHS or its successor.
- Possess and maintain all necessary business licenses required to perform work on the LFHP.
- Comply with all regulatory and tax laws governing businesses in the state of Louisiana.
- Avoid conflicts of interest regarding any work performed on projects funded by LFHP grants.
- Submit, upon request, a copy of all current professional certificates and licenses to the LFHP.

LFHP HOME EVALUATORS – PROHIBITIONS AGAINST CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

LFHP Home Evaluators must comply with the following rules to avoid actual or perceived conflicts of interest:

- Home Evaluators are prohibited from possessing a financial interest in any project for which they inspect for FORTIFIED designation purposes in connection with the LFHP.
 - Home Evaluators are prohibited from being contractors or suppliers of any materials, products, or systems installed in any home they inspect for FORTIFIED designation purposes for the LFHP.
 - Home Evaluators are prohibited from acting as the sales agent for any home being designated for the LFHP program.
 - Home Evaluators have a duty to inform the LFHP of any potential conflicts of interest prior to commencing a home inspection or evaluation.
- ❖ **The LFHP reserves the right to remove a Home Evaluator from the list of eligible and certified Home Evaluators at any time for failing to comply with these eligibility requirements or prohibitions against conflicts of interest in accordance with *Regulation 126, § 18204(C)* or as otherwise articulated under any other pertinent regulatory or statutory provision. The LFHP reserves the right to conduct random inspections of invoices, contracts, business records, and similar documents or materials of any Home Evaluator participating in the LFHP.**

I certify that I have read and agree to comply with all rules, prohibitions, and policies set forth herein regarding the Louisiana Fortify Home Program (LFHP). I understand and affirm that while working as a Home Evaluator, I shall be fully and solely liable for, and hereby agree to indemnify, defend, and otherwise hold harmless the State of Louisiana, Louisiana Department of Insurance, and LFHP from, any claim, suit, judgment, or award resulting in whole or in part from any act, omission, or failure on my part to comply with LFHP rules and policies with respect to my work and participation in the LFHP. Additionally, I certify and warrant that I have satisfied all requirements to participate in the LFHP as a Home Evaluator and will maintain all requisite certifications while participating in the LFHP. I understand that any failure to comply with these rules, prohibitions, and policies may result in additional adverse consequences, including, but not limited to, removal from the LFHP.