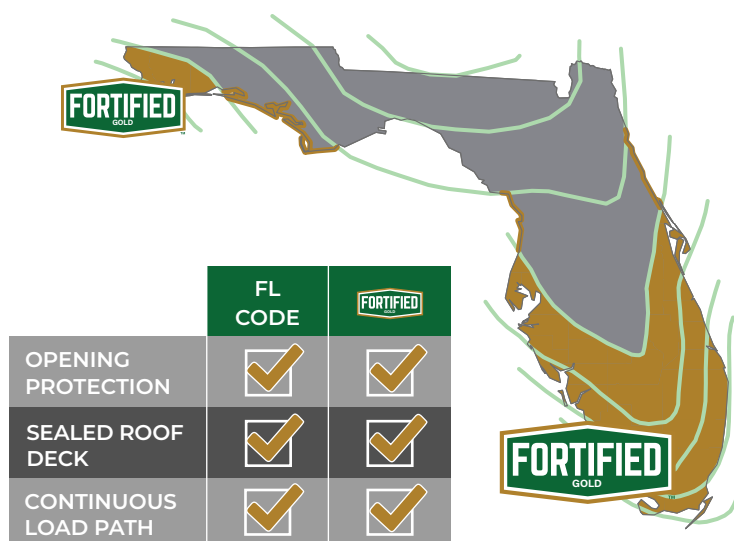


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Sealing the roof deck has been added to the Florida Building Code, making requirements closely mirror FORTIFIED Home™ Gold standards for large portion of the state.

With the inclusion of sealing the roof deck in recent updates, Florida's building code in the highlighted areas is now nearly identical to FORTIFIED Home™-Hurricane Gold standards.



What is a sealed roof deck?

A properly sealed roof deck is one where the seams or gaps between pieces of decking are sealed so water cannot flow into the attic if the roof cover is lost. Sealing the roof deck is a key part of FORTIFIED building standards.



An unsealed roof deck allows up to 60% of the rain that falls on a compromised roof to enter the attic.



A properly installed sealed roof deck can reduce water entry through a compromised roof by as much as 95%.

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