

**Real Property**  
**Title 14. Miscellaneous Rules**  
**Subtitle 1. Miscellaneous Rules.**

**§14-117. Contracts for sale of property**

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(j) Contract for initial sale of new home. - (1) This subsection applies to Baltimore City and all other counties except Montgomery County.

(2) A contract for the initial sale of a new home, as defined in the subtitle, shall include the following:

- (i) The builder registration number of the seller of the new home;
- (ii) A provision stating that the new home shall be constructed in accordance with all applicable building codes in effect at the time of the construction of the new home;
- (iii) A provision referencing all performance standards or guidelines:
  - 1. That the seller shall comply with in the construction of the new home; and
  - 2. That shall prevail in the performance of the contract and any arbitration or adjudication of a claim arising from the contract; and
- (iv) A provision detailing the purchaser's right to receive a consumer information pamphlet as provided under the Home Builder Registration Act.

(3) The performance standards or guidelines described in paragraph (2) of this subsection shall be:

- (i) The performance standards or guidelines adopted at the time of the contract by the National Association of Home Builders;
- (ii) Any performance standards or guidelines adopted by the home builder and incorporated into the contract that are equal to or more stringent than the performance standards adopted at the time of the contract by the National Association of Home Builders; or
- (iii) Any performance standards or guidelines adopted at the time of the contract by a county or municipal corporation that are equal to or more stringent than the performance standards or guidelines adopted at the time of the contract by the National Association of Home Builders.

(4) The information required by paragraph (2) of this subsection shall be printed in conspicuous type.  
(2000, ch. 522.)