

# ELEVATION CERTIFICATE

**IMPORTANT:** Follow the instructions on pages 1-9.

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

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 P.O. Route and Box No.	Company NAIC Number:	
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.) _____		
A5. Latitude/Longitude: Lat. _____ Long. _____ Horizontal Datum: <input type="checkbox"/> NAD 1927 <input type="checkbox"/> NAD 1983		
A6. Attach at least 2 photographs of the building if the Certificate is being used to obtain 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 _____	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? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	d) Engineered flood openings? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

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)	B9. Base Flood Elevation(s) (Zone AO, use base flood depth)
B10. Indicate the source of the Base Flood Elevation (BFE) data or base flood depth entered in Item B9: <input type="checkbox"/> FIS Profile <input type="checkbox"/> FIRM <input type="checkbox"/> Community Determined <input type="checkbox"/> Other/Source: _____					
B11. Indicate elevation datum used for BFE in Item B9: <input type="checkbox"/> NGVD 1929 <input type="checkbox"/> NAVD 1988 <input type="checkbox"/> Other/Source: _____					
B12. Is the building located in a Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) area or Otherwise Protected Area (OPA)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Designation Date: ____ / ____ / ____ <input type="checkbox"/> CBRS <input type="checkbox"/> OPA					

SECTION C – BUILDING ELEVATION INFORMATION (SURVEY REQUIRED)	
C1. Building elevations are based on: <input type="checkbox"/> Construction Drawings* <input type="checkbox"/> Building Under Construction* <input type="checkbox"/> Finished Construction *A new Elevation Certificate will be required when construction of the building is complete.	
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. <input type="checkbox"/> NGVD 1929 <input type="checkbox"/> NAVD 1988 <input type="checkbox"/> Other/Source: _____ Datum used for building elevations must be the same as that used for the BFE.	
Check the measurement used.	
a) Top of bottom floor (including basement, crawlspace, or enclosure floor) _____ . _____	<input type="checkbox"/> feet <input type="checkbox"/> meters
b) Top of the next higher floor _____ . _____	<input type="checkbox"/> feet <input type="checkbox"/> meters
c) Bottom of the lowest horizontal structural member (V Zones only) _____ . _____	<input type="checkbox"/> feet <input type="checkbox"/> meters
d) Attached garage (top of slab) _____ . _____	<input type="checkbox"/> feet <input type="checkbox"/> meters
e) Lowest elevation of machinery or equipment servicing the building (Describe type of equipment and location in Comments) _____ . _____	<input type="checkbox"/> feet <input type="checkbox"/> meters
f) Lowest adjacent (finished) grade next to building (LAG) _____ . _____	<input type="checkbox"/> feet <input type="checkbox"/> meters
g) Highest adjacent (finished) grade next to building (HAG) _____ . _____	<input type="checkbox"/> feet <input type="checkbox"/> meters
h) Lowest adjacent grade at lowest elevation of deck or stairs, including structural support _____ . _____	<input type="checkbox"/> feet <input type="checkbox"/> meters

SECTION D – SURVEYOR, ENGINEER, OR ARCHITECT CERTIFICATION			
This certification is to be signed and sealed by a land surveyor, engineer, or architect authorized by law to certify elevation information. I certify that the information on this Certificate represents my best efforts to interpret the data available. I understand that any false statement may be punishable by fine or imprisonment under 18 U.S. Code, Section 1001.			
<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if comments are provided on back of form.		Were latitude and longitude in Section A provided by a licensed land surveyor? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if attachments.			
Certifier's Name		License Number	
Title	Company Name		
Address	City	State	ZIP Code
Signature	Date	Telephone	

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 SEAL  
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**ELEVATION CERTIFICATE, page 2**

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

**SECTION D – SURVEYOR, ENGINEER, OR ARCHITECT CERTIFICATION (CONTINUED)**

Copy both sides of this Elevation Certificate for (1) community official, (2) insurance agent/company, and (3) building owner.

Comments

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Signature

Date

**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 check the appropriate boxes to show whether the elevation is above or below the 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 HAG.
- E2. For Building Diagrams 6–9 with permanent flood openings provided in Section A Items 8 and/or 9 (see pages 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 accordance with the community’s floodplain management ordinance?  Yes     No     Unknown. The local official must certify this information in Section G.

**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 or Owner’s Authorized Representative’s Name

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Comments

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Check here if attachments.

**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–G10. In Puerto Rico only, enter meters.

- G1.  The information in Section C was taken from other documentation that has been signed and sealed by a licensed surveyor, engineer, or architect who is authorized by law to certify elevation information. (Indicate the source and date of the elevation data in the Comments area below.)
- G2.  A community official completed Section E for a building located in Zone A (without a FEMA-issued or community-issued BFE) or Zone AO.
- G3.  The following information (Items G4–G10) is provided for community floodplain management purposes.

G4. Permit Number	G5. Date Permit Issued	G6. Date Certificate Of Compliance/Occupancy Issued
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- G7. This permit has been issued for:     New Construction     Substantial Improvement
- G8. Elevation of as-built lowest floor (including basement) of the building: \_\_\_\_\_ . \_\_\_\_\_     feet     meters    Datum \_\_\_\_\_
- G9. BFE or (in Zone AO) depth of flooding at the building site: \_\_\_\_\_ . \_\_\_\_\_     feet     meters    Datum \_\_\_\_\_
- G10. Community’s design flood elevation: \_\_\_\_\_ . \_\_\_\_\_     feet     meters    Datum \_\_\_\_\_

Local Official’s Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Community Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Comments

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Check here if attachments.

**BUILDING PHOTOGRAPHS**

See Instructions for Item A6.

<b>IMPORTANT: In these spaces, copy the corresponding information from Section A.</b>			<b>FOR INSURANCE COMPANY USE</b>
Building Street Address (including Apt., Unit, Suite, and/or Bldg. No.) or P.O. 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.

## Instructions for Completing the Elevation Certificate

The Elevation Certificate is to be completed by a land surveyor, engineer, or architect who is authorized by law to certify elevation information when elevation 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.

In Puerto Rico only, elevations for building information and flood hazard information may be entered in meters.

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### SECTION A – PROPERTY INFORMATION

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**Items A1–A4.** This section identifies the building, its location, and its owner. Enter the name(s) of the building owner(s), the building's complete street address, and the lot and block numbers. If the building's address is different from the owner's address, enter the address of the building being certified. If the address is a rural route or a Post Office box number, enter the lot and block numbers, the tax parcel number, the legal description, or an abbreviated location description based on distance and direction from a fixed point of reference. For the purposes of this certificate, "building" means both a building and a manufactured (mobile) home.

A map may be attached to this certificate to show the location of the building on the property. A tax map, FIRM, or detailed community map is appropriate. If no map is available, provide a sketch of the property location, and the location of the building on the property. Include appropriate landmarks such as nearby roads, intersections, and bodies of water. For building use, indicate whether the building is 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 Comments area of the appropriate section if needed, or attach additional comments.

**Item A5.** Provide latitude and longitude coordinates for the center of the front of the building. Use either decimal degrees (e.g., 39.5043°, -110.7585°) or degrees, minutes, seconds (e.g., 39° 30' 15.5", -110° 45' 30.7") format. If decimal degrees are used, provide coordinates to at least 4 decimal places or better. When using degrees, minutes, seconds, provide seconds to at least 1 decimal place or better. The latitude and longitude coordinates must be accurate within 66 feet. When the latitude and longitude are provided by a surveyor, check the "Yes" box in Section D and indicate the method used to determine the latitude and longitude in the Comments area of Section D. If the Elevation Certificate is being certified by other than a licensed surveyor, engineer, or architect, this information is not required. Provide the type of datum used to obtain the latitude and longitude. FEMA prefers the use of NAD 1983.

**Item A6.** If the Elevation Certificate is being used to obtain flood insurance through the NFIP, the certifier must provide at least 2 photographs showing the front and rear of the building taken within 90 days from the date of certification. The photographs must be taken with views confirming the building description and diagram number provided in Section A. To the extent possible, these photographs should show the entire building including foundation. If the building has split-level or multi-level areas, provide at least 2 additional photographs showing side views of the building. In addition, when applicable, provide a photograph of the foundation showing a representative example of the flood openings or vents. All photographs must be in color and measure at least 3" × 3". Digital photographs are acceptable.

**Item A7.** Select the diagram on pages 7–9 that best represents the building. Then enter the diagram number and use the diagram to identify and determine the appropriate elevations requested in Items C2.a–h. If you are unsure of the correct diagram, select the diagram that most closely resembles the building being certified.

**Item A8.a** Provide the square footage of the crawlspace or enclosure(s) below the lowest elevated floor of an elevated building with or without permanent flood openings. Take the measurement from the outside of the crawlspace or enclosure(s). Examples of elevated buildings constructed with crawlspace and enclosure(s) are shown in Diagrams 6–9 on pages 8–9. Diagram 2, 4, or 9 should be used for a building constructed with a crawlspace floor that is below the exterior grade on all sides.