

Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Fiscal Year 2022 Agency Report

1. Please provide a summary of your agency’s activities undertaken to carry out the provisions of OMB Circular A-119, “Federal Participation in the Development and Use of Voluntary Consensus Standards and in Conformity Assessment Activities” and the National Technology Transfer and Advance Act (NTTAA). The summary should contain a link to the agency’s standards-specific website(s) where information about your agency’s standards and conformity assessment related activities are available.

Standards are used to guide the work of the grantees and other HUD supported agencies in providing quality housing and improvements in America's communities. Standards support the achievement of the HUD mission by our state and local partners. In most cases, HUD and our partners use standards developed by or in conjunction with other related users, such as model building codes developed for and adopted by communities nationwide. Because there are virtually no differences between HUD-assisted and market-based construction and development, use of standards such as building codes that are developed through a public process for the entire design and construction industry are relevant and appropriate. Because of the way HUD supports local housing efforts, the communities use the building codes that have been adopted at the state or local level for both the HUD-assisted projects as well as the broader construction market. In rare cases, HUD is responsible for the standards, as it is the case with the Government Standard: 24 CFR 3280 – Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards. As mandated in legislation, HUD publishes and enforces the construction standard for manufactured housing, which is being converted to a consensus standard.

2. Please list the government-unique standards (GUS) your agency began using in lieu of voluntary consensus standards during FY 2022. Please note that GUS which are still in effect from previous years should continue to be listed, thus the total number in your agency's report will include all GUS currently in use (previous years and new as of this FY):

Current total GUS: 1

(1) Government Unique Standard

24 CFR 3280 – Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards [Incorporated: 2000]

Voluntary Standard

ANSI A119.1 – Recreation Vehicles and NFPA 501C – Standard on Recreational Vehicles

Rationale

HUD-Unique Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards. HUD was required by legislation to “establish Federal construction and safety standards for manufactured homes and to authorize manufactured home safety research and development”.

Updated FY2022: In 2022, HUD published a proposed rule updating the Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards on July 19, 2022. HUD continues working with the Home Innovation Research Labs to support the Manufactured Housing Consensus Committee in its work for providing recommendations to HUD for future updates to the standards.