



Built Green® Builder-Rater Protocol:

This document will help clarify how Built Green builder members and their energy/green raters will work together to satisfy Built Green's rating protocol.

- The Built Green will alert raters of new builders to the program.
- The program informs raters of the approximate number of ratings each builder will require based on anticipated home registration volume.
- The builder will need to contact a Built Green-approved rater to negotiate rating fees. We suggest cost shopping among the BG-approved raters. A full list of the Built Green-approved raters is located at:
<http://www.builtgreen.org/directory/raters.aspx>.
- **Documentation Requirement:** Builders must provide their rater, preferably in a binder, a completed Built Green Checklist and complete documentation for each checklist item where it is necessary. Builders must provide a completed checklist to their rater for each product type, to the extent that compliance/choices are different among product types.
- The rater and builder can negotiate services and prices for the rater to procure all necessary back-up documentation for builder if desired.
- At the time of random rating, the rater needs all back-up documentation as stated by the BG Checklist. **No points will be awarded for any checklist item that requires documentation if proper documentation is not provided by the builder.**
- Built Green highly encourages each builder to procure at least 3 hours of consulting from their Built Green approved rater to discuss the new 2007 Checklist and any other program compliance issues.
- Builder should provide their rater with a list of permitted homes on a regular basis, at least monthly.