Baseline requirement for all tax credit developments in Virginia

Certification must be completed by a third party, independent, non-affiliated certified RESNET rater. The rater must be certified by a provider found on the VHDA Certified Provider list. All raters must submit to the owner, to be included in the application, a signed VHDA RESNET Rater form and a HERS report from an energy rating software program listed on the National Registry of Accredited Rating Software Programs. All raters certifying a property must be authorized to conduct business in Virginia.

New Construction

Must become Energy Star Certified using appropriate program for development as defined annually by Energy Star- Reservation application will include the VHDA RESNET Certification and HERS report. 8609's will not be issued until the Energy Star Certification is presented to the VHDA Tax Credit Allocation Department.

Rehabilitation-

30% performance increase over existing, based on HERS Index or, must evidence a HERS Index of **80** or lower-Reservation application will include the VHDA RESNET Certification and HERS report. 8609's will not be issued until a notarized final VHDA RESNET Certification is received.

Adaptive Reuse-

Must achieve a HERS Index of 95 or lower. Reservation application will include the VHDA RESNET Certification and HERS report. 8609's will not be issued until a notarized final VHDA RESNET Certification is received.

Certified Provider list

VHDA recognizes all providers listed on the National Registry of Accredited Rating Providers. http://www.resnet.us/professional/programs/search directory