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Roofing Contractors Notice

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This is to notify you of a new Fort Collins Amendment to the *2012 International Residential Code (IRC)* Section 907 Reroofing. Section 907.1.1 has been added and reads as follows:

“R907.1.1 Roof underlayment. Ice and water shield shall be installed at all roof eaves starting at the drip edge and extending up slope to a point at least 2 feet beyond the interior edge of the exterior wall.

Exception: Re-roofing where the existing roof covering has not been removed.”

Ice damming occurs, in part, because of heat loss at the wall to roof framing intersection. Newer homes built over the past decade or so had to comply with energy codes that required sufficient insulation over the top plate to help reduce this heat loss. Older homes had no such requirement and tend to have ice buildup at the roof eaves. This amendment is intended to help reduce any possible damage to the roof sheathing caused by ice damming on these older homes.

This amendment is applicable to reroofing only and is effective for all reroofing permits issued starting February 17, 2014.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "M Gebo".

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