

**7640.0100 AUTHORITY; PURPOSE; INCORPORATIONS BY REFERENCE.**

Subpart 1. **Authority.** The commissioner of the Department of Commerce is authorized by Minnesota Statutes, sections 325F.20, subdivision 1, and 325F.21, subdivisions 1 and 2, to establish standards for the product quality, safety, installation, and labeling of thermal insulation products, and to establish test programs and procedures to ensure that standards established by this chapter are met.

Subp. 2. **Purpose.** This chapter applies to the manufacture, distribution, sale, and installation of thermal insulation material in residential buildings within Minnesota. This chapter sets minimum standards for the product quality and safety of thermal insulation materials specified in this chapter, minimum procedures for the testing of insulation materials under these standards, and minimum standards for installation of those products.

Subp. 3. **Incorporations by reference.** This chapter incorporates numerous standards by reference that are published by ASTM, Conshohocken, Pennsylvania. This chapter also incorporates an ANSI/ISO/ASQ standard by reference, published by the American Society for Quality, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. This chapter also incorporates an ICC-Evaluation Services standard by reference, published by the ICC-Evaluation Service, Whittier, California. This chapter also incorporates an ASHRAE standard by reference, published by ASHRAE, Atlanta, Georgia. The standards and tests incorporated by reference are all an integral part of current insulation industry testing procedures. All manufacturers and testing laboratories presently possess or have access to each referenced incorporation.

All of the incorporated standards are subject to frequent change. Copies of all standards incorporated by reference are available in the Office of the Commissioner of Commerce.

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 45.023; 325F.20; 325F.21*

**History:** *10 SR 1208; L 1987 c 312 art 1 s 9; 13 SR 532; 32 SR 2213; 39 SR 1167*

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