



Winter Haven Ordinance No: O-23-11

Builders must comply with one of the two options outlined below before issuance of a certificate of occupancy/ completion in accordance with Winter Haven’s Ordinance No. O-23-11, Section 21-154, “Water Conservation Standards (Florida Water Star).”

IMPORTANT: CERTIFICATES OF OCCUPANCY (CO) WILL NOT BE ISSUED WITHOUT PROPER INSPECTIONS AND/OR DOCUMENTATION INDICATING THAT ALL REQUIREMENT CRITERIA HAVE BEEN MET.

Option 1:
Florida Water StarSM (FWS) Certification

- Schedule FWS inspection and secure FWS certificate to obtain CO.
- Home must be FWS-certified by a trained FWS inspector.

Option 2:
Meets FWS Criteria—Not FWS Certified

- Two-step process:
 - Submit “Letter of Certification of the Design for an Irrigation System,” signed by the contracted irrigation installation/design professional certifying the design is consistent with the requirements of Section 21-154 to obtain building permit.
 - Submit “Letter of Completion Certifying Compliance with Design for Irrigation System” signed by the contracted irrigation installation/design professional consistent with the design before issuance of CO.
- All criteria specified in Section 21-154 must be met including efficient plumbing requirements, landscape design and installation, and irrigation design and installation.
- FWS rebates are not available for homes that do not obtain FWS certification.



FloridaWaterStar.com

To learn about FWS criteria, contractor training, inspector contacts and rebate invoicing, contact Robin Grantham at the Southwest Florida Water Management District at (352) 400-8635.