

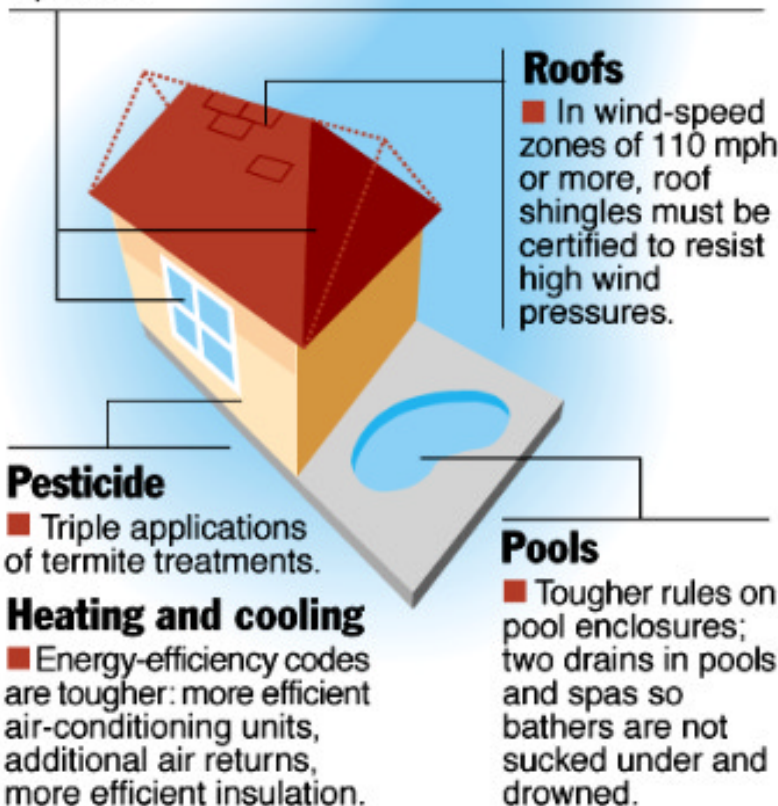
What the new code requires

Among the requirements of the new statewide building code:

Structures

In coastal areas classified in a wind zone of 120 mph or more, builders have several choices:

- Use impact-resistant glass
- Cover windows with shutters or panels
- Re-engineer the house to resist internal wind pressures. That can involve tougher framing, more hurricane clips and straps, switching from gable to hip roofs.



The Florida building code is available online at www.floridabuilding.org.