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Level	Detail	FORTIFIED Home™ Hurricane	LA Uniform Construction Code 2021 for Vult>130 MPH (Wind Design Required)
	Roof sheathing must be a minimum of 15/32"	\checkmark	\checkmark
	Maximum roof members spacing is 24" o.c.	\checkmark	✓
	Only one layer of roof cover allowed	\checkmark	Multiple layers sometimes allowed
	Roof deck attached with ring shank nails (RSRS-01" - 0.113" diameter x 2 3/8")	\checkmark	RSRS-01 nail (2 3/8" x .113") or a 8d common nail.
FORTIFIED	Roof deck nailing pattern is 4" o.c. in all areas*	\checkmark	Varies by location
	Sealed roof deck required	\checkmark	\checkmark
	Drip edge nailed at 4" o.c. and installed over underlayment	\checkmark	Installed under underlayment with nails at 12" o.c.
	New flashing must be installed for both new roofs and reroofs	\checkmark	When reroofing, undamaged flashing may be reused.
	Asphalt Shingles meet ASTM D3161 Class F or ASTM D7158 Class H standard	\checkmark	Additional standards allowed
	Other roof coverings (e.g., tile or metal) allowed but must meet appropriate design pressures	\checkmark	✓
	Attic vents must be TAS 100(A) rated	\checkmark	No rating required
	Photovoltaic (PV) Systems allowed but must be properly designed	✓	✓

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FORTIFIED FORTIFIED Silver	Impact resistance/protection required for any glazing on Windows, Skylights, and Doors	✓	Impact resistance required in windborne debris region only
	Garage doors must have adequate pressure resistance	\checkmark	✓
	Garage doors must have impact resistance/protection for any glazing	\checkmark	Impact resistance only required in windborne debris area
	Gable end bracing is required for gables over 3' tall (2021 IEBC App C Chapter C1)	~	No specific requirements
	Gable end sheathing is required	\checkmark	Sheathing not required
	Gable end overhangs must be constructed with outlooker framing	\checkmark	Multiple framing options allowed
	Gable end rake soffits may not be vented	\checkmark	Vented soffits permitted
	Flexible soffits larger than 12" o.c. must have supports	\checkmark	Support required for flexible soffits over 16" o.c.
	Chimney must have additional bracing	\checkmark	Bracing not required
	Attached structures must have a continuous load path	~	Fewer detailed requirements

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FORTIFIED	Windows, skylights, and doors must meet appropriate pressure rating	~	\checkmark
	Walls must have 7/16" wood structural panel or equivalent impact resistance	\checkmark	\checkmark
	Continuous Load Path (CLP), designed by Professional Engineer, is required	~	Fewer detailed requirements

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