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### Energy Star Multifamily New Construction Program Guidance

The following guidance applies to projects subject to the **2015** version of Enterprise Green Communities (EGCC):

- After July 1, 2021, ENERGY STAR (ES) requires all new construction, multifamily buildings to follow the Multifamily New Construction (MFNC) program.
- Minnesota Housing will not require or enforce the ES MFNC program at this time. The ENERGY STAR Residential New Construction (Homes) program or Multifamily High Rise (MFHR) program will be allowed with an understanding these programs will be ineligible for ES certification after July 1, 2021.
- Consult with your Home Energy Rating System (HERS) Rater/energy consultant to help ensure requirements of the ES Homes and ES MFHR programs continue to be included. Applicable HERS reports and ENERGY STAR checklists must be part of the post-construction final report.
- This guidance is not applicable to projects applying for funding after April 20, 2021.

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