

Federal law governs factory-built homes

Under Oklahoma law, a manufactured home has been built in a factory to meet or exceed standards of the National Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards Act.

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[Home-Mart Inc.](#) owner [Doug Gorman](#) served on the federal [Department of Housing and Urban Development's](#) [Manufactured Housing Consensus Committee](#) to develop installation standards and recommend improvements to the building code governing manufactured housing.

Gorman explains manufactured homes and modular homes on the website www.homemart.us.

“(New) manufactured homes and modular homes ... bear no resemblance to the mobile homes and trailer houses that were owned by earlier generations,” according to the site. “The term mobile home actually designates all factory-built housing built prior to the implementation of the ... National Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1976. ... (The code) established minimum construction standards for the first time and made mobile homes and trailer houses something from the past.

“By housing industry definition, and under [Oklahoma](#) state law, a manufactured home has been built in a factory and is built to meet or exceed the standards established by the HUD code. It may be built in one or more sections and must be built on a nonremovable frame. A modular home is built to any one of several copyrighted building codes that municipalities then may adopt as, or in addition to, their building code for stick-built homes. Its frame may be removable or nonremovable.”

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