

# **RCW 64.55**

## **Moisture Protection Law for Multi-Unit Residential Buildings**

- New requirements for new multi-unit residential buildings with more than two units and most multi-unit residential buildings being rehabilitated will apply to building permits issued on or after August 1, 2005:
- Plans, details and specifications for the construction of the building enclosure shall be stamped by a licensed engineer or architect and shall be submitted prior to issuance of the building permit.
- The design professional of record shall submit a statement affirming that the building enclosure documents satisfy the requirements of RCW 64.55 which shall be submitted prior to issuance of the building permit.
- A third-party, qualified inspector shall inspect the building enclosure during the course of construction for compliance with the building enclosure design.
- The third-party inspector shall submit a signed letter of certification prior to building final regarding the inspection and substantial compliance of the building with the building envelope enclosure design documents.

***Please note that City of Redmond staff will not:***

- Review or approve the building enclosure details during plan review or field inspection.
- Review the qualifications of the third-party inspector.
- Issue permits without the documentation noted above or perform a final building inspection without the letter of certification.

To obtain more information, visit the Washington State website at <http://www.access.wa.gov>