

Interim RESNET® Policy for the Transfer of HERS® Rater of Record

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This policy shall take effect immediately upon issuance and will remain in effect through December 31, 2025, or until a permanent RESNET policy is adopted—whichever occurs first.

To ensure consistency, accountability, and data integrity in the HERS rating process, the following guidance applies when transferring unregistered completed or in-progress ratings from one HERS Rater of record to another:

1. Allowable Transfers with Complete Rating Documentation

HERS ratings may be transferred from one HERS Rater of record to another without restriction *if field-collected documentation is available and provided to the adopting rater*. Documentation, including photos and/or inspection reports, must adequately support the verified features and conditions as outlined in the RESNET standards. If required documentation is missing or insufficient to verify the rated features and conditions, alternative options may be pursued. For further guidance, see the Process Options Chart in Appendix A.

2. Verification and Oversight

The receiving HERS rater of record is responsible for evaluating whether the supporting documentation sufficiently verifies the minimum rated features. Any gaps or discrepancies must be resolved or clearly noted in the rating file. (See Appendix A)

3. Considerations

Homes covered under this limited exception will be flagged as having been transferred from the original HERS rater of record to a new rater. RESNET will defend the validity of ratings transferred under this policy, including those granted under the limited exception against future challenges so long as the documentation and process requirements have been followed in good faith. In such cases, the builder, RESNET and the adopting rater mutually indemnify one another for actions taken in accordance with this policy.

Appendix A

