

Yes No

2010 HOMER AWARDS JUDGING GUIDELINES

GREEN VERIFIED HOME

REMINDERS

1. HBA definition of a Green Verified home: Only homes that are successfully inspected by Laclede Gas Company on behalf of the HBA's Green Verification Program can be called a Green Verified home for this awards program. These finished homes must be built to the Green Building Guidelines established by NAHB and must have earned a Bronze, Silver or Gold designation at the local level. NOTE: Member applicants with LEED-H certified homes may also enter this category but must provide additional information about the inspection process, certification criteria, certification protocols, etc.
2. The sales price may reflect green features and construction practices that raise the final price of the house but lower the monthly cost of operation/maintenance. The builder's description should be able to explain this deviation adequately.
3. JUDGE OBJECTIVELY – these homes were designed and built for individuals whose lifestyles and/or decorating may not agree with yours. A mark of a Homer winner is not how much money was spent, but how much value is obtained for the dollars spent.
4. More than one home per category may receive an award, but it is not necessary to give an award in a category if there is not a worthy nominee. All green homes will be single nominees.
5. These sheets are to be used as a guideline, not a scorecard. A representative must be present to show the nominee. Feel free to ask any questions that would help in your evaluation. If a builder representative is not present the nominee is automatically eliminated.
6. Each judge is required to cast a vote in writing for each nominee judged. Winners will be determined by a majority vote. To cast your vote, please mark the "Yes" or "No" box above.

VIEWING GUIDELINES

Overall, how has this house specifically met the needs and desires of the client?

EXTERIOR VALUE

For the cost of this house (in conjunction with the green features), is the level of craftsmanship on the exterior below average, average, above average, exceptional?

Areas to check for craftsmanship and green features:

- Masonry (if applicable), siding, soffit, fascia, roofing, exterior trim
- Solar panels, skylights and sun tubes (if applicable)
- Rain garden/native plants/afternoon shading (if applicable)
- Foundation, permeable flat work, pavers, etc.
- Deck/patio materials (if applicable)
- Window glass type and window placement (for heat gain/loss)

INTERIOR VALUE

For the cost of this house (in conjunction with the green features), is the level of craftsmanship on the interior below average, average, above average, exceptional?

Areas to check for craftsmanship and green features:

- Low-flow plumbing fixtures/accessories
- Flooring (quality, style, etc.)
- Daylighting efficiencies
- Paints, stains and other finishes
- Energy efficiency
- Indoor air quality/duct sealing
- Efficient electrical fixtures/features
- “Energy Star” appliances, water heaters, furnaces (when available)
- Air sealing and insulation/air flow efficiencies (builder may provide ResCheck documentation and/or third-party performance reports)
- Advance framing techniques (builder can provide pictures, etc. since there may not be exposed examples)
- Homeowner’s manual related to efficient use, maintenance, recycling options, transit options, etc.