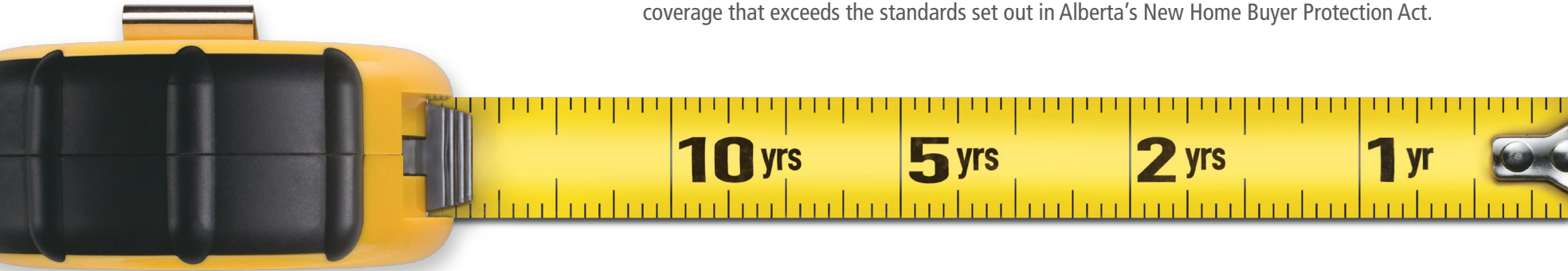


# Every new home in Alberta is covered

Alberta regulates warranty standards for new homes. While the minimum coverage is mandatory, builders may partner with warranty providers to offer coverage that exceeds the standards set out in Alberta's New Home Buyer Protection Act.



## Coverage is as easy as 1, 2, 5, 10

The minimum warranty for every new home built in Alberta will cover:

### Better warranty standards. Built for Albertans.

A builder's guide to Alberta's  
*New Home Buyer Protection Act*

**1**  
YEAR

#### LABOUR & MATERIALS

This takes care of finishes throughout the home, including any defects in flooring, paint or trim.

**2**  
YEARS

#### DELIVERY & DISTRIBUTION

This primarily covers defects in labour and materials related to heating, plumbing and electrical systems.

**5**  
YEARS

#### BUILDING ENVELOPE

Building envelope covers the exterior shell of the home, including the roof and walls. Two additional years of coverage must be made available for homebuyers to purchase.

**10**  
YEARS

#### STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS

This covers the major structural components of the home, particularly its frame and foundation.

Access the registry  
and learn more at  
[HomeWarranty.Alberta.ca](http://HomeWarranty.Alberta.ca)



## Your role as a builder

Your responsibility as a builder is to partner with a warranty provider who will offer a home warranty that meets the minimum requirements set out in Alberta's *New Home Buyer Protection Act*.

The Act pertains to homes constructed with a building permit applied for after February 1, 2014. All new residential construction projects must be entered into the registry at [HomeWarranty.Alberta.ca](http://HomeWarranty.Alberta.ca)

Throughout the construction process, builders are the primary point of contact for questions or concerns homebuyers may have. Homebuyers can also contact their builder about defects in their homes after the start of their warranty.

To make a claim you must contact your warranty provider.

In Alberta, there are a number of warranty providers that you may partner with for coverage:

- Blanket Home Warranty Ltd.
- National Home Warranty Group Inc.
- Progressive Home Warranty Solutions Inc.
- The Alberta New Home Warranty Program
- Travelers Insurance Company of Canada
- WBI Home Warranty Ltd.

These warranty providers are responsible for creating policies and responding to claims from homeowners.

## The government's role

Alberta's *New Home Buyer Protection Act* mandates and regulates new home warranties in the province. The Government of Alberta monitors and tracks warranties on new homes.

Alberta Municipal Affairs also provides tools and support to permit issuers, who will ensure warranty coverage is in place before issuing building permits for new homes. Finally, the government will enforce penalties against builders, warranty providers and others for not complying with the Act—up to \$100,000 for first offences and up to \$500,000 for subsequent offences.

## Are you building your own home?

If you are an owner-builder constructing your own home to live in, you have two options. You can get home warranty coverage for your home or you can apply for an owner-builder authorization to build your home without a warranty. If you sell your house within 10 years, you will need to obtain the remaining warranty coverage for your buyer.

### HOMES COVERED INCLUDE:

Single family homes, duplexes, multi-family homes, condominiums, manufactured homes, and recreational properties.

