

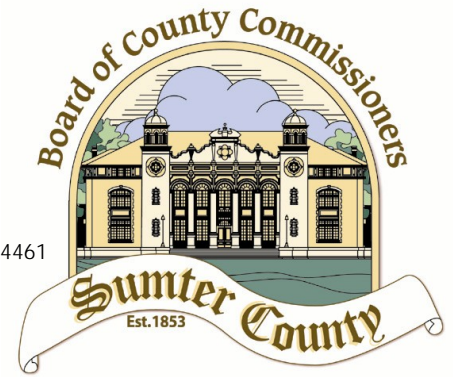
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Sunroom Category Information List

Category 1: The space is covered by a roof and the walls are permitted to be enclosed with insect screening or 20 Mil. plastic film. The space is defined as non-habitable and non air-conditioned space. ***The sunroom requires a light on the exterior side of the entrance to the sunroom.***

Category 2: The space is covered by a roof and the walls are enclosed with translucent or transparent plastic or glass. The space is defined as nonhabitable and unconditioned space. There is no requirement to submit any energy calculations or meet the requirements of electrical outlet wall spacing per the National Electrical Code. ***The sunroom requires a light on the exterior side of the entrance to the sunroom.***

Category 3: The space is covered by a roof and the walls are enclosed with translucent or transparent plastic or glass. The space must comply with requirements for forced-entry resistance, air-leakage resistance, and water-penetration resistance. No requirement to meet the electrical outlet spacing per the National Electrical Code. Air-leakage areas of concern all joints, seams, and penetrations, including openings between window and door assemblies and their respective jambs and framing, walls between the dwelling and the sunroom, and other sources of infiltration. The air-leakage is per the Florida Energy Conservation Code. ***The sunroom requires a light on the exterior side of the entrance to the sunroom.***

Category 4: The roof or a covering of an outdoor space with enclosed walls. The sunroom is designed to be heated and/or cooled by a separate temperature control or system and is thermally isolated from the primary structure. The space is defined as habitable and air-conditioned. The space must comply with requirements for forced-entry resistance, air-leakage resistance and water-penetration resistance. Air-leakage areas of concern are all joints, seams, and penetrations, including openings between window and door assemblies and their respective jambs and framing, and other sources of infiltration per the Florida Energy Conservation Code. The sunroom must comply with the outlet spacing requirements per the National Electrical Code. The contractor/ design professional must submit all forms Per Chapter 4 of the Florida Energy Conservation Code. ***The sunroom requires a light on the exterior side of the entrance to the sunroom.***

Category 5: The roof or covering of an outdoor space with enclosed walls. The sunroom is designed to be heated and/or cooled and is open to the primary structure. The space is defined as habitable and air-conditioned space. The space must comply with requirements for forced-entry resistance, air-leakage resistance and water-penetration resistance. Air-leakage areas of concern are all joints, seams, and penetrations including openings between window and door assemblies and their respective jambs and framing, and other sources of infiltration per the Florida Energy Conservation Code. The sunroom must also comply with the outlet spacing per the National Electrical Code. The contractor/ design professional must submit all forms Per Chapter 4 of the Florida Energy Conservation Code. ***The sunroom requires a light on the exterior side of the entrance to the sunroom.***

All Cat 1 thru 5 rooms now require a light on the exterior side of entrance door. See NEC (A)(2)(a),(A)(2)(b),and (A)(2)(c). See exception at bottom of page 111