

# Introduction to the 2025–2026 Edition

This 2025–2026 Edition of *Texas Residential Construction Law Manual* is a practical reference designed to answer questions which arise in the handling of Texas residential construction law cases. Since the last edition, new material has been added and/or existing material updated on the following subjects:

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