## **How High Tech Home is Your Home?**

If the latest technology or entertainment options are important in your new home, add the following questions to your buyer's checklist.

- 1. Are there enough jacks in every room for cable TV and high-speed Internet hookups?
- 2. Are there ample telephone extensions or jacks?
- 3. Is the home pre-wired for home theater or multiroom audio and video? Does it have in-wall speakers?
- 4. Does the home have a local area network (LAN) for linking computers?
- 5. Does the home already have wiring for DSL or another high-speed Internet connection?
- 6. Does the home have multizoning heating and cooling controls with programmable thermostats?
- 7. Does the home have multiroom lighting controls, window-covering controls, or other home automation features?
- **8.** Is the home wired with multipurpose in-wall wiring that allows for reconfigurations to update services as technology changes?

To rate the home on its technological sophistication, fill out the Consumer Electronics Association's TechHome checklist at <a href="https://www.ce.org/techhomerating">www.ce.org/techhomerating</a>.