

# Washington County Planning Department

*Building Permits & Inspections \* Land Use Planning \* Flood Plain Management \* E-911*

## **BUILDING INSPECTIONS**

The Building Inspector is in the office from 8:00 am - 10:00 am for plan review and questions.

All inspections require a minimum 24 hour notice. Inspections will then be scheduled for the **next available time**.

Washington County has one inspector to perform all inspections; these include, but are not limited to:

**Building**: Footings, Deck Footings, Sill Plate, Framing, Insulation, Drywall, Final

**\*\*Houses will require a whole house blower door test.**

**Electrical**: Temp Service, Pre-connect, Permanent Service, Pool Bonding, Rough-in, Final

**Mechanical**: Air Conditioning, Furnace, Heat Pump, Geo Thermal, Radiant Heat, Rough-in, Final

**Plumbing**: Drain Tile, Sump Pit, Groundwork, Rough-in, Final. Commercial will require Air/Water Test

**Radon**: Ground work, Rough-In, Final

**Septic**: Final

**Stormwater**: Initial, Seed/Sod, Final

**\*\*Please note that framing and rough-in inspections need to be scheduled at the same time\*\***

**The permit shall become invalid** if the work authorized by such permit (1) is not commenced within 180 days after its issuance; (2) is suspended or abandoned and does not show progress every 180 days; or (3) is not completed by the expiration date.

The County makes every attempt to have a temporary inspector when our full time inspector is not available for inspections.

## **PERMIT EXPIRATION TERMS**

### **New House Construction**

2 year expiration

(And all associated sub permits)

### **New Commercial Construction**

2 year expiration

(And all associated sub permits)

### **Other Permits**

180 Days expiration

Building Permits, (accessory buildings, remodels, decks, etc.), Grain Bins, Roofing/Siding/Gutters

### **Stand Alone Trades**

180 Days expiration

Mechanical, Plumbing, Electrical & Septic not associated with any other permit/project

### **Expiration**

Prior to the permit expiration date, extensions may be granted upon approval of the Building Inspector.

**\*\*All deposits will be forfeited upon permit expiration.\*\***

### **Inspections**

All required inspections must be completed prior to the permit expiration date. Please schedule all required inspections with the office as soon as possible.

### **Reminder**

All permits must be issued **prior** to the start of construction or the **permit application fee is double**.