

How do I get an inspection?

To schedule an inspection, call the Building Division's inspection request line at (206) 973-4764. You will need to provide the permit number, project address, type of inspection needed, the date you would like the inspection and if you prefer a morning or afternoon inspection time. Inspection requests called in before 4PM will be scheduled for the following business day unless otherwise specified.

If you have installed water piping, the work must be operational and inspectors may require that drainage piping be plugged and filled with water for inspection.

Unless all of the work is outside and accessible, an adult needs to be at the site to provide inside access for the inspector.

Be an informed consumer:

When buying a product or contracting a service:

- ◆ Call the Building Division or Washington State Labor and Industries to verify active license and/or registration
- ◆ Call the Better Business Bureau
- ◆ Talk to other consumers
- ◆ Compare prices
- ◆ Ask for references and contact them
- ◆ Be sure you have a written contract and read it carefully before signing



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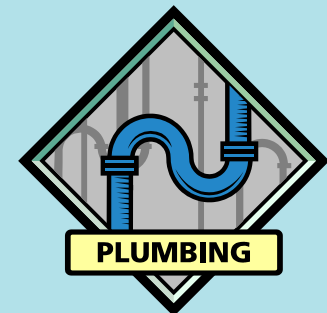
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BUILDING DIVISION



DO I NEED A PLUMBING PERMIT?



The purpose of every permit is to protect what you value most—your family and your home. Faulty installations can cause house fires, flood damage and structural instability. But permits and inspections help protect your loved ones from these potentially deadly mistakes. Permits also help you avoid costly repairs down the line and preserve your biggest financial investment—your home. When selling your home, you are required by law to fully disclose all remodeling work and whether or not permits were obtained. With permits and inspections, you can expect a smoother closing process, free of last-minute hassles, inspections and repair work if the home isn't up to code. So insist on permits.

What plumbing work can I do without a permit?

A plumbing permit **is not required** to do the following:

- ◆ The stopping of leaks in drains, water, soil, waste or vent pipe, provided, however, that if any concealed trap, drain pipe, water, soil, waste or vent pipe becomes defective and it becomes necessary to remove and replace the same with new material, such work shall be considered as new work and a permit shall be obtained and inspection made as provided in this code.
- ◆ The clearing of stoppages or the repairing of leaks in pipes, valves or fixtures and the removal and reinstallation of water closets, provided such repairs do not involve or require the replacement or rearrangement of valves, pipes or fixtures.

Where do I obtain a permit for plumbing work?

Permits are issued by the Building Division.

In most cases, you'll complete an application, pay the fee and be issued your permit.

- ◆ A plan or blueprint is not required for a one or two-family dwellings.
- ◆ Fees for residential work are based on number of fixtures, while commercial projects are based on valuation of the work. Fee schedules are available on the City's website www.seatac.wa.us.
- ◆ If a plumbing inspector is available to discuss your project at the time of submittal, you can often leave the office with a permit (providing that you have submitted the necessary information).

PLUMBING PERMITS

Safety First

For the safety of your family and your home's future occupants, please don't attempt any plumbing work that is beyond your skill level. When in doubt, hire a licensed, bonded professional.

Who can do the plumbing work on my house or duplex?

As the owner, you can hire a licensed plumbing contractor or do the plumbing work yourself.

All materials (pipe, pipe fittings, fixtures, and other devices used in plumbing systems) must be listed and approved for their specific uses. This is especially important when installing materials that come into contact with drinking water.

The law requires plumbing permits for electric water heaters because of fire, electric shock, and explosion hazards. Permits are also required to connect lawn sprinklers to your building's water supply (backflow prevention devices are required).

If you have any questions concerning your eligibility to work on a building, call the Building Division at (206) 973-4750.