

RESIDENTIAL BUILDING INSPECTION GUIDELINES

City of Wadsworth

Where To Call For Building And Utility Inspections;

Building, HVAC, and ALL Electrical Inspections, _____ 330-335-2753

Sanitary / Storm Sewer-Engineering Dept _____ 330-335-2751

Grading, Sidewalk/ Driveway Apron, _____ 330-335-2751

Waterline Inspection/ Meters _____ 330-335-2831

Wadsworth Communications/Cable Service Installation _____ 330-335-2888

Wadsworth Electric Service Connections _____ 330-335-2838

Plumbing inspections - Medina County Health Dept _____ 330-723-9523

Questions Relating To Zoning And Building Procedures Should Be Directed To:

Jeff Kaiser, Planning Director _____ 330-335-2752

Jennifer Stefl, Administrative Assistant _____ 330-335-2753

Other Utility Information *

OUPS – Call Before You Dig _____ 800-362-2764

Dominion Gas _____ 800-362-7557

Frontier Communications (Telephone) _____ 877-844-7196

Wadsworth Utility Service/ Billing _____ 330-335-2700

**Utility locations available at City Engineering Dept.. Permanent utility service will not be established in resident's name until Final Occupancy Permit is granted.*

The City of Wadsworth Building Department is located at 120 Maple Street, Wadsworth Ohio. Business hours are Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Building & Electrical & HVAC inspections must be scheduled by 2:00 p.m. on the day before the inspection. Schedule an inspection at (330) 335-2753, or leave a message 24 hours a day at the same number.

Following is a schedule of building inspections which may be required for each dwelling, building, addition, deck or alteration:

(OVER)

REQUIRED BUILDING PERMIT INSPECTION PROCEDURES

- Stake** - Determines if the proposed structure meets zoning requirements. The perimeter of proposed construction should be clearly marked by labeled stakes or paint. Property pins must be visible. Street address and permit must be displayed. Silt fencing must be installed if required.
- Footer** - Request after excavation and form completion, but before concrete placement. The location of the structure, soil bearing capacity, and size and design of footers are inspected. Pole construction holes are inspected for width, depth, and location. **REQUIRED FOR ALL DECKS WHEN HOLES ARE DUG.**
- Foundation** - Performed after walls are completed. Workmanship, code and plan compliance, drainage, waterproofing, insulation, reinforcement, and sill plate anchoring bolts and straps are inspected
- Rough Plumbing** – Inspected by Medina County Health Dept., 4800 Ledgewood Drive, Medina, Ohio. 330-336-4136. Any part of plumbing system that will be covered is inspected.
- Rough Electrical** - Any part of electrical system that will be covered is inspected. Service and underground inspections must be requested in addition to rough. Also call Wadsworth Communications for mandatory underground inspection.
- Rough Heating** - Venting systems and combustion air for fuel burning appliances, ducts, location of inlets/outlets and other fuel burning appliances will be checked. Performed at the same time as the Rough Frame Inspection.
- Rough Frame** - Performed after Plumbing and Electrical inspections are approved. All wood, steel, and masonry structural members, fasteners and connectors, wall bracing, glazing, draft-stopping, wall height, clearance requirements, fireplaces, stairways, and **DECK FRAMING - BEFORE FLOORING AND RAILINGS ARE INSTALLED ARE INSPECTED.**
- Insulation** - Performed after Rough Building Inspection approval, all insulating products will be inspected for R and U value requirements. Quality of workmanship, clearance to combustibles, fire and draft stopping, and ventilation of attics, rafters, and crawl spaces will be checked.
- Final Electric** - Performed at the completion of the electrical system. Power and lighting distribution, all electrical devices, outlets, fixtures, panels, and grounding are inspected.
- Final Plumbing** - Performed after the completion of all water supply, and sanitary drainage systems by the Medina County Health Dept. (See Rough Plumbing).
- Final Heating** - Performed at the Final Building Inspection and after the installation of all heating, cooling and ventilation, to verify that appliances, ductwork, dampers, chimneys outlets, inlets, fans, coils and materials are in code compliance and manufactures' installation instructions. Fuel gas and liquid supply systems are inspected for compliance. Signed verification by the installer that fuel gas systems have passed approved pressure testing requirements is required.
- Final Building Inspection and Occupancy Permit** - Performed after approval of all other inspections: House numbers, grading approval by Eng. Dept., storm water drainage; exterior stairs, decks, vents, smoke detectors, access panels, railings, glazing, protection against decay, energy compliance sticker, and completion of all components of the dwelling, as they relate to code compliance, are inspected. A certificate indicating final building inspection approval is issued and must be obtained prior to occupancy of the structure. **REQUIRED FOR ALL DECK CONSTRUCTION.**